



## Joseph A. Faletti

August 8, 1930 - January 4, 2022

Joseph A. Faletti, Sr.

Age 91, lifelong resident of Braidwood, IL, passed away peacefully at his home, Tuesday, January 4, 2022 with family by his side. Born August 8, 1930 in Braidwood to the late Joseph M. and Rose M. (nee Bertino) Faletti. He graduated from Reed-Custer High School with the class of 1948. He retired from Caterpillar Tractor Manufacturing after thirty-five and half years of employment. Member of the Immaculate Conception Church and served sixty-seven years with the Knights of Columbus Braidwood Council #1574. He served on the Reed- Custer School Board for eighteen years and also the WILCO Area Career Center Board. He enjoyed his many years coaching little league and as an IHSA official he refereed at many basketball games and umped numerous baseball games for the Will and Grundy county areas. He was an avid New York Yankees Baseball, Duke Basketball, and Notre Dame Football fan. Joe loved to tend to his vegetable garden and kept himself busy doing yard work, but the one thing he truly cared for was his family. Joe made many friends throughout his life, which was easy to do because he never met a stranger. Surviving are three children, Joseph (Pauline) Faletti, Jr. of Orlando, FL, Julie (Robert) Bajt of Shorewood, IL, and Lisa (Britt) Kinder of Romeoville, IL; seven grandchildren, Kelly (Matthew) Pfau, Kristin Kinder, Matthew Kinder, Kayla Kinder, J.D. Faletti, Sean Faletti, and Daniel Bajt; two great-grandchildren, Liam and Logan Pfau; brother, Mike (Linda) Faletti of Braidwood; sister, Rosemary (Elmer) Fick of Aurora, IL; sister-in-law, Alice

Faletti of Wilmington, IL; many nieces, nephews, and their families; and his beloved four legged companion, Rusty. Preceding him death were his parents; wife, Ruth A. (nee Ahrens) Faletti, whom he married November 26, 1955 in Crown Pointe, IN; three brothers, Dominic Faletti, Sr., Peter (Carol) Faletti, and Barney Faletti; and two sisters, Anna Faletti and Jessie (Tom) Favero. The family would like to thank his caregiver Petra for her many years of excellent care she had given Joe and the staff at Lightways Hospice for their dedication and compassion. Visitation for Joseph will be at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Home & Crematory, Braidwood, Sunday, January 9, 2022 from 2-6 p.m. Funeral services will be from the R.W. Patterson Funeral Home & Crematory, Braidwood, Monday, January 10, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. to the Immaculate Conception Church in Braidwood for a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 a.m. All attendees will be required to wear face masks and observe social distancing. Interment will follow in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Braidwood. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in his name to the Immaculate Conception Church or Lightways Hospice would be appreciated. For more information and to sign his online guestbook, please log on to [www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com](http://www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com) or find us on Facebook.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Olivet Cemetery-Braidwood

Cemetery Road  
Braidwood, IL 60408

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **9**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

R.W. Patterson Funeral Home  
401 East Main St.  
Braidwood, IL 60408  
(815) 458-2336  
[info@rwpattersonfuneralhome.com](mailto:info@rwpattersonfuneralhome.com)  
<https://www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com>

## Service

JAN **10**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Church  
110 South School Street  
Braidwood, IL 60408

# Tribute Wall

DS

“ *David Sorensen lit a candle in memory of Joseph A. Faletti*



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David Sorensen - January 11, 2022 at 01:00 PM

VM

“ *My sincere condolences to the family of Joe Faletti. I will always remember Joe Faletti as being a Class man, a gentleman, who always had a warm smile on his face and greeted you as an old friend. For all the years he was active at Immaculate Conception, to being a role model I always thought of and respected all these years that I too have been an IHSA Umpire, to being just the good person and man that he was, I will always value his friendship and remember him in my prayers.*

*Vic Del Mastro*

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Vic Del Mastro - January 10, 2022 at 09:16 PM

DK

“ *"Welcome to my neighborhood". That was Joe and Rose and family said when my mother and I moved to Braidwood in 1957 across the street from his family. Hw brought us vegetables from his garden every year. He was the home plate umpire every game I pitched at RCHS. I don't believe I ever argued a called ball or strike. Joe helped myself and my wife Linda get teaching jobs at RCHS. And all the years i coached baseball or basketball he was my home plate umpire or scorekeeper at basketball games. So many good memories of Joe. God bless.*

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Dan Kwil - January 10, 2022 at 11:47 AM

MR

“ Joe was a devout member of our Church and set a good example to all. His smile could light up a room. He was a good friend to so many. Rest in Peace Dear Friend.



Mr. & Mrs. Don and Amy Raymond - January 08, 2022 at 05:57 PM

 Madeline Kee

“ Madeline Kee lit a candle in memory of Joseph A. Faletti



Madeline Kee - January 08, 2022 at 12:17 PM

SE

“ So sorry to hear about Joe. Jim and I met Joe when Jim was hired in Braidwood. Went to some meetings in Chicago. His sister-in-law Alice got us into square dance lessons. When we started nobody was going to dance anymore than lessons. We sure had a lot of fun with our great group of square dancers. Sharon Elder.

sharon elder - January 07, 2022 at 04:24 PM

MK

“ My sincere condolences to the Faletti family. I have fond memories of Joe and Ruth, and their children from my teaching years at the high school. Rest in peace Mr. Faletti.

Michael Keys - January 07, 2022 at 02:45 PM

MC

“ Kayla, I am so very sorry to hear about the passing of someone that was so special to you. How blessed you are to have so many wonderful memories to look back on. Keeping you and your family in my daily thoughts.

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**Melody C** - January 06, 2022 at 08:11 PM

KB

“ Julie, Lisa, Joe and families so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. I have so many good memories of Joe and will always remember his warm smile. Sincerely, Kenna and Ray Baskerville

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**Kenna Baskerville** - January 06, 2022 at 10:18 AM

TM

“ Lisa I am so sorry for your loss our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Tim & Kim Mitchell



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**Tim Mitchell** - January 06, 2022 at 08:36 AM

FE

“ To the Faletti family sorry for your loss. Eternal peace for dad, grandpa and great grandpa. Let the perpetual light shine upon him. Fran Edmunds



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**Fran Edmunds** - January 05, 2022 at 06:59 PM

HC

“ So very sorry for your loss. Your family is in my prayers. He will be missed. Sincerely Hayley Cline

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**Hayley Cline** - January 05, 2022 at 06:19 PM