



Joseph Anthony Lis

October 20, 1930 - July 8, 2013

Joseph Anthony Lis, 82, formerly of Greenport, NY passed away peacefully at the Ichabod Washburn Hospice Residence in Worcester, MA on Monday, July 8, 2013.

Born on October 20, 1930 in Chicago, he was the son of the late Stanley and Katherine Lis. He was raised on the South Side of Chicago.

Mr. Lis was a pioneer in the printing industry. Hired as an engineer by the Goss Printing Company of Chicago, Joe spent several years installing color newspaper printing presses all over the world. Several of his installations still stand today in Africa, New Zealand, Europe, and throughout the United States. In 1964 he was recognized by United Airlines for becoming a founding member of the 100,000 mile club.

His travels would take him to Hudson, New York. While working onsite for the Register Star he met his future wife Grace V. Lis, who was employed by the Register Star as an executive assistant. Joe would then settle down later in Greenport, NY for the next 37 years and work locally for KTB Associates of Saugerties, NY.

Joe is a Korean War veteran where he utilized his engineering skills for the U.S. Army and oversaw the assembly of ammunition and weapons while stationed in France and Germany.

He was an active member of the community serving as a member of Mount Pleasant Reformed Church where he would become a Deacon, Elder, and serve on the Cemetery committee. He was a Life Member of the VFW and

proud member of the Polish Federation Sportsman Club in Hudson, NY. Mr. Lis was also a member of the Charlton American Legion and an active member of the Charlton Senior Center.

An avid fisherman, Joe could be seen fishing the waters throughout Upstate, NY and offshore deep-sea expeditions. When not fishing Joe could be seen following his children around to sporting events all over the northeast.

Joe is survived by his daughter and son-in-law Cathy and Tony Wong-Li of Charlton and their two children Ryan and Kiley, his son and daughter-in-law Michael and Dina Lis and their children Ava, Zachary and Hudson of Simsbury, CT, and his daughter and son-in-law Sharon and Donald Kufner of Bourbonnais, IL along with their children Jessica and Matthew and three great grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister Mary Ruzicka and his brother and sister in law, Chester and Nini Lis along with several nieces, nephews, and friends.

He was predeceased by his wife of 44 years, Grace V. Lis.

Calling hours will be on Thursday, July 11, 2013 at Bates and Anderson Funeral Home in Hudson, NY from 6pm – 8pm. A funeral Service will be held on Friday, July 12, 2013 at Mt. Pleasant Reformed Church in Greenport, NY at 12pm. Memorial donations may be made to the Mt. Pleasant Reformed Church, 33 Church Road, Hudson, NY 12534.