



# Joseph M. Rando

SEP 22, 1957 - JAN 22, 2010



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**J**oseph Michael Rando, 52 of Ocean View, DE died on Friday, January 22, 2010, at Christiana Hospital in Newark, DE. Born Sunday, September 22, 1957 in West Grove, PA. Joe was the son of Caterina Rando of Newark, DE and the late Carlo Rando.

He was a graduate of Salisbury University and received his graduate degree at the University of Maryland. His career in social work spanned 30 years, working with the elderly, children and families. He began his career as a social worker and nursing home administrator at Manokin Manor in Princess Anne, MD followed by 15 years as a child protective service worker and administrator for the Cecil County Department of Social Services. In 2001, Joe became the Assistant Director of Services for the Wicomico Department of Social Services and served as the Office Manager for the Salem County, NJ Department of Families and Youth Services for the past two years. Joe believed strongly in community service and served as a board member and president of the Cottages on White's Creek Homeowners Association for 19 years. Joe was dedicated to his family, loving the time he spent with his wife, sons and grandson.

He was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church, Bethany Beach, DE.

In addition to his mother, Joe is survived by his wife, Regina (Jugler) Rando; three sons: Geoffrey C. Rando and his wife, Jessi, Gregory M. Rando and Matthew J. Rando; a grandson Tucker F. Rando; a brother, Russell Rando, Sr. and his wife Lillian; and a sister, Nina Fleck and her husband Raymond Fleck, Jr.; and many nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends on Thursday, January 28, 2010, 7 PM to 9 PM and again on Friday, 9 AM to 10:30 AM at Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium, Clarksville Chapel, 34874 Atlantic Avenue, Ocean View, DE. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated by the Rev. Michael Darcy on Friday at 11:00 AM at St. Ann's Catholic Church, 691 Garfield Parkway, Bethany Beach, DE. Interment will follow at Gate of Heaven Cemetery, 32112 Vines Creek Road, Dagsboro, DE.



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In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions be made to Ranch Hope Counseling Services, 45 Sawmill Road, Alloway, NJ 08001-0325.

Sign guest book at [www.parsellfuneralhomes.com](http://www.parsellfuneralhomes.com)

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# Events

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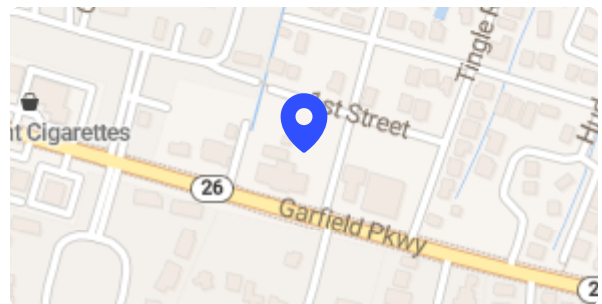
## Mass

- Friday**, January 29, 2010
- 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET
- St. Ann's Catholic Church**  
691 Garfield Parkway, Bethany Beach DE



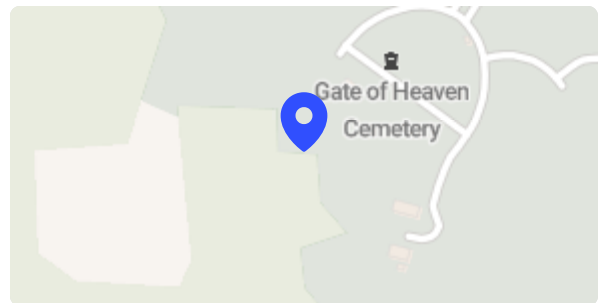
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## Interment

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- 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM ET
- Gate of Heaven Cemetery**  
32112 Vines Creek Road, Dagsboro DE





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EK

**Emily R. Karnbauer** posted:

To The Rando Family: I am saddened to hear of the passing of Joe and my thoughts as well as prayers are with you at this difficult time. I was hired by Joe to work at Wicomico DSS truthfully without a formal interview...he spoke at length with my former supervisor called me on the phone and said simply, "my department needs you". There were two occasions when I mad Joe very angry and for that I am sorry. For at both of those times he had a bigger plan for the betterment of the department, the consumate assistant director. Prior to his departure from Wicomico he entrusted me with a most troubling case involving the death of a foster child. It was at this time that I received some of the greatest compliments from Joe in reference to my social work service and character. Joe will be missed within the field as he truly cared.

March 9 at 8:00 PM

JC

**J. David Collins** posted:

It is with a great deal of sadness that I am sending my condolences. The news of his passing was a shock and although I haven't spoken to him for several years, his legacy will live on as a good person and a caring social worker.

January 29 at 8:00 PM

JL

**Jen & Luis Lopez** posted:

We will surely miss this fun-loving and good spirited man! Our hearts go out to his entire family for their loss.

January 29 at 8:00 PM

LP

**Lou Anne Pasquarella** posted:

I had the privilege of serving with Joe on the DYFS Advisory Board. He was the epitome of a professional, caring, effective leader and social work manager. He put a positive face on an agency that has an incredibly difficult task and does not always get the credit they deserve. He was always positive and optimistic, and his enthusiasm was contagious. The families of Salem County and all of his employees will be the worse for his passing. So much more his family, I am sure. I am sorry for your loss. Lou Anne Pasquarella Clinical Director Healthcare Commons

January 28 at 8:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

A sympathy card has been sent to the family of Joseph M. Rando c/o Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium funeral home.

January 28 at 8:00 PM



**Sharon Hickey Roth** posted:

Gina,I was shocked to hear of Joey's passing. It's hard to find words to say. May time heal your sorrow. Please know that we are thinking of you and your family during this difficult time.

January 27 at 8:00 PM



**Jack Lane** posted:

i went to elementary and high school with joe. just wanted to swend my sympathies to his family

January 27 at 8:00 PM



**Carol Ann Mumma** posted:

Gina, Geoffrey, Gregoary and MatthewIt is with great sorrow that I am writing this note. Joe was a very special person and let me assure you, he will be greatly missed both by his family but his many friends as well. Joe and I worked together for so many years and during that time I saw Joe as a very special person. We got to know each other's families through the many shared stories, we laughed a lot, sometimes cried and through it all Joe reached out and helped so many people. He had an amazing capacity for caring and it showed every day. It is my great pleasure to have known and worked with Joe so closely over the years. He will always be in my thoughts. I hope you can take great sollace and joy in knowing that Joe was a wonderful person, liked and respected by so many. Through his family, work, and friendships, Joe's life touched and enriched not only my life but the lives of many, some who will forever remain nameless. It is said that time is a great healer. In that respect, I hope time passes quickly for each of you. As you go through this time of great sorrow, please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you. Carol Ann Mumma

January 27 at 8:00 PM



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LE

**Larry England** posted:

Dear Mrs. Rando and family-I am truly sorry for your loss.I am a Network Administrator with the New Jersey Department of Children and Families. I met Joe when he first came to work with DCF and was immediately impressed with his energy, humor, positive attitude, and compassion.I worked with Joe on the IT issues surrounding the planning and construction of the new DCF office in Salem. He was very excited about the new office and was always willing to offer ideas and his assistance with this project.Joe was truly a good, gentle soul. He will be sorely missed by all who knew him.

January 27 at 8:00 PM

SD

**Shirley Douglas** posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with the Rando Family during this difficult time. It was a pleasure working along side Joe on the many committees in Salem County.

January 27 at 8:00 PM

IG

**Ilona Glaenzer** posted:

Regina and family we are so sorry to hear of the loss of your husband,father and son,Joseph. Your are in our thoughts and prayers.Ilona

January 27 at 8:00 PM

BD

**Brenda Downing** posted:

I am grateful that I had the opportunity to learn under the supervision of Mr. Rando. He was a true Social Worker, whose passion for helping others, was displayed in his actions. I pray that God continues to provide comfort to the Rando family in their time of need.

January 27 at 8:00 PM

BP

**Becky Passmore** posted:

I am a caseworker at the Salem local office. What a shock Joe's passing was. I will miss talks about cruises and holiday plans with Joe. He helped me with some very difficult cases over the last two years. He will be truly missed by the Salem LO. Many prayers to the Rando family.

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KB

**Karen (Bailiff) Davis And Kay Bailiff** posted:

Regina and Family, We would like to express our deepest sympathy to you at the passing of Joey. He was a kind and gentle person.

January 27 at 8:00 PM

PK

**Peg Kelly** posted:

I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. It was a pleasure to work with Joe. He will be greatly missed.

January 27 at 8:00 PM

TF

**The Abbott Family** posted:

Our condolences on your great loss. Prayers go out to your family. A wonderful man and public servant, friend, father and husband.

January 27 at 8:00 PM

TF

**The Weeks Family** posted:

Our family will always keep Joe in our hearts. We parented our sons together at the beach and spent many times in laughter. Geoff, Jessi, Greg, Matt, and little Tucker, we are here for you, as well as for Gina.

January 26 at 8:00 PM

SW

**Sheila Pierce Williams** posted:

I would like to express my condolences to the family. My thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of need.

January 26 at 8:00 PM

TJ

**Tony Jones** posted:

My thoughts and prayers go out for Regina and all of Joey's family. Joey always seemed to be a happy person and it is an awful shame that we have lost a person of his character much sooner than any of us would have wished.

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DH

**Desmond Hughes** posted:

Regina, My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time in your life. God gives us memory so that we have the capability of remembering our loved ones when they are no longer with us. Hold on to those memories and cherish them.

January 26 at 8:00 PM

DB

**Daneisha A. Ballard** posted:

My prayers go out to your family in their time of need. Joe will be greatly missed at Salem DYFS.

January 26 at 8:00 PM

AO

**Anne Okoth** posted:

Joe you will be greatly missed by those who got to know you as a champion for children and families. May your soul rest in peace and your family find comfort in the memories of your life here on earth. The social work community has lost a gentle soul and voice in the field.

January 26 at 8:00 PM

KR

**Kim Edwards (Reisinger)** posted:

I worked with Joe for years at the Cecil County social services and he was my supervisor for much of the time. He was dedicated to his work and his family and I learned so much about foster care from him. He was generous and I will never forget the gatherings he hosted at the beach. He will be missed by many and my condolences are with the family. God Bless.

January 26 at 8:00 PM

YH

**Yvonne Greene (Hayden)** posted:

Joey was a good friend in High School. Many years ago, my niece was raped and Joey was there in the court house to comfort and console the family. His dedication to his work went far beyond the call of duty during those days of anguish at the trial. He was there as a friend. I will never forget his compassion for those in need. My heart goes out to Gina and their family. He will be greatly missed.

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DW

**Diane E. Wasko** posted:

Dear Rando family, You are in my thoughts and prayers. D. Wasko

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CF

**Charlie Rando And Family** posted:

Regina and family, Catherina, Russell, Nina and family, I am very sorry to hear about the passing of Joe. He will be dearly missed by everyone in the family. I will always remember his friendly smile and outgoing personality. I think back on the days when we would get together in Rising Sun and Atlantic City. I think Joe was the youngest one in the Rando family. My family offers our deepest sympathy and I will keep all of you and Joe in my prayers. God bless and take care.

January 26 at 8:00 PM

AR

**Ann Raymond** posted:

Regina and family, I am very sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May God help you through your difficult time.

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LG

**Lil Giddens** posted:

Regina, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family as you mourn the loss of your loved one. God Bless!

January 26 at 8:00 PM

KN

**Kathy Narcum** posted:

I send my deepest sympathy and prayers to Joe's wife and family. I will always remember Joe's laugh and great sense of humor, even during challenging times at work. Every contact I had with Joe was positive .. I will miss him.

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KJ

**Kimberly Johnson** posted:

Mrs. Rando, My heart aches with you and for you. I am so very sorry that you and your family have suffered such loss. It is so difficult to understand why this had to happen. Please know I am thinking of you and entire family. With much love and care, Kim

January 26 at 8:00 PM

AF

**Allen And Christine Fowler** posted:

We are very sorry for your loss and regret that we are unable to make it to the funeral. Travel this late in pregnancy is not advised. Our prayers will be with you.

January 26 at 8:00 PM

BL

**Betty Lawson** posted:

My deepest sympathy, my thoughts and prayers are with you during your time of loss. Hold tight to your memories. I am asking God to hold each of you and for strength. Prayers and blessings, Betty Lawson

January 26 at 8:00 PM

DV

**Domenic Vadala** posted:

My deepest of sympathies to all of you in this time of need. I have very fond memories of Joey both in Rising Sun and at the beach, and my heart goes out to all of you. He was one of the best people in our extended family, and he will most certainly be missed by all. May God keep watch over all of you, and provide you with the strength that you need to move forward in your lives.

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WL

**William Lewit** posted:

Much sympathy to the Rando Family. I'm very sorry for your loss.

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LD

**Liz Dickson** posted:

I met Joe 3 months ago and in that short period of time, we shared a few moments regarding how we both became part of the Salem DYFS office. Keep his memory alive by remembering the work he did impacting lives of others. May God continue to bless his family and keep you in his Care.

January 26 at 8:00 PM

BM

**Brenda Greer Morgan** posted:

Regina, My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. May God give you and your family the strength you need as you adjust to life on earth without Joey. Remember, you will see him again. God Bless you all.

January 25 at 8:00 PM

DM

**Donald Morgan** posted:

My thoughts are with his family in their time of sorrow.

January 25 at 8:00 PM

NS

**Nancy Sturm** posted:

It has been my honor and privilege to serve on the Cottages Homeowners Association with Joe as our President. Our community will be all the poorer for our loss of Joe, in so many ways, I cannot even count them. Big hugs to all the Rando family during this difficult time. with love, Nancy Sturm

January 25 at 8:00 PM

ZC

**Zaleen Concepcion** posted:

I am grateful that God placed Joe in our office. He really made a difference. He often times reminded me of a pastor, how he tried to bring out the best in people and how he continued on despite how people disagreed. He knew he had a job to do and he gave it his all. He will truly be missed around here.

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DP

**Deborah Parker** posted:

To Mrs. Regina Rando & Family, You have my heart felt deepest sympathy in the passing of Joe. May our Lord comfort you in this very difficult time. He will be missed by all. Peace & Blessings Deborah Parker (Joe's co-worker)

January 25 at 8:00 PM

JV

**Jamie Valentine** posted:

I would sincerely like to express my condolences in the loss of your loved one and my boss! He will be sorely missed by the Salem DYFS office. May God grant you peace.

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RG

**Rebecca Gardner** posted:

I just wanted to let you know that my thoughts and prayers are with you. Joe was my boss at DYFS but he also supervised me for my MSW. We had a lot of great talks during our biweekly meetings and he has impacted my life in various ways. I had a great deal of respect for him. He will be greatly missed!

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GC

**Gail Claggett** posted:

I am a social worker with the Kent County Department of Social Services for 30 years. I attended SU. I have known Joe in my work as a social worker specializing in foster care services. We are the same age. Over the years I have seen Joe at various trainings and work related activities and we always enjoyed a good conversation. Joe was easy to talk to with a great sense of humor. I really enjoyed Joe and respected his social work philosophy and commitment. I am very saddened to hear of his passing. My thoughts are with you.

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KK

**Kathy Kastama** posted:

I AM SO SORRY TO HEAR OF YOUR LOSS OF JOEY. WE KNOW HE IS AT PEACE & IN HEAVEN. I REMEMBER THE TIMES WITH JOEY AT RSHS FONDLY. YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ARE IN MY PRAYERS. KATHY

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BV

**Bill Valencia** posted:

My thoughts and prayers go out to Mr. Rando's family during this period of sorrow.

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MD

**Michelle Defino** posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with Joe and his family. I am a nurse in the CHU at Salem, and I feel fortunate to have had the opportunity to work with such a nice man. I will miss seeing his smiling face and hearing his voice over the intercom. God bless you Joe and may God be with your family.

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AB

**Amanda Biello** posted:

Joe was a genuine person who wanted to do good for the safety of our children. My prayers go out to Joe's family. Joe had a lot of passion for his work and I am sure his passion will live on at the Salem office. May God Bless his family and Joe as he rests in peace in Heaven.

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FD

**Frances Driver** posted:

To Mrs. Rando and Family, My name is Frances Driver and I am the Switchboard Operator for the Salem Local Office, and wanted to send my thoughts and prayers to you and your family. Joe always liked the goodies I baked and left on his desk for a snack. I will miss him and have been blessed having Joe for my Local Office Manager. May God Bless you and your family. Frances Driver Salem Local Office

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RC

**Ruth Cooper & Roberta Copenhaver** posted:

We were very saddened to hear this news, our thoughts go out to you and your family as I know the whole "class of 75" is thinking of you. With deepest sympathy

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ER

**Elizabeth Rodriguez** posted:

To the entire Rando family. I am so sorry to hear of your great loss and also, it is a great loss for our office. Today (1/26/10) is my 1st day back in the office and I am really having a hard time coping coming to the office knowing he is not going to be here. I am really going to miss him and the chocolate jar. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

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RR

**Rose Robinson** posted:

My heart is very heavy and I am still in shock of Joe's sudden passing. My words are escaping me & my throat is tightening just looking at his picture - To the family; I am truly sorry for your loss. Joe was a very pleasant man. I am an employee of his and he was always caring & welcoming when I would come to his office for whatever I needed. {He kept a Hershey jar filled w/ candy on his desk, so I believe everyone visited his office :o)} He'd stop what he was doing to ask how I was and I'd always felt like he genuinely cared. Our office will not be the same w/ out him & it will be so difficult to walk around especially by his office & not see him again. My thoughts and prayers are w/ his wife, sons, grandchildren & his whole entire family. Rose Robinson - Salem Local Office, Dept. of Children & Families - Clerical

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# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Joseph by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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