



## Joseph "Joe" Edward Angran

December 9, 1938 - January 6, 2024

Joseph "Joe" Edward Angran, age 85, of Albia, Iowa, passed away at his home on Saturday, January 6, 2024, surrounded by his loved ones, under the care of EveryStep Hospice.

Joe was born on December 9, 1938, in Albia, IA, to Tony and Joan (Nicoletto) Angran. He grew up attending school and graduated from the Albia High School. Joe was united in marriage to Patricia "Pat" Nucko on September 25, 1957, in Unionville, MO. Joe and Pat were blessed with 3 sons, Steve, John, and Jim, and shared 66 years of marriage prior to his passing.

Following high school, Joe proudly served his country in the United States Navy for 10 years. He was a radioman stationed in Guam before being on a destroyer, the USS Henderson and was lastly stationed in Minneapolis for 7 years. Joe was a very hard worker all his life. While living in Minnesota, Joe became an ironworker and helped build the Metropolitan Stadium. He and Pat moved to Runnells, IA, and Joe owned and operated a photocopy store in Des Moines. They later moved to Albia and Joe and his son, Steve, owned and operated a concrete business, pouring concrete for Adventureland as well as numerous houses and garages in the Albia area. Joe and Pat also owned and operated Ma and Pa's Restaurant on the Albia square. Joe later went to work installing Primestar before owning a DIRECTV business.

Joe was a member of the American Legion Post #136 in Albia and a past member of the NRA (National Rifle Association). He was an avid outdoorsman who loved hunting, fishing, and trapping. In his younger years, Joe was an excellent shot and was once ranked 4th in the state for trap shooting. He enjoyed honeybees and had over 400 hives. Joe loved vegetable gardening and canning the produce at his son, Steve's cabin, where he also enjoyed sitting and watching the wildlife. He was a very kind and generous man and was always willing to help anyone in need. Joe was full of energy. He loved to visit with people and never knew a stranger. His morning routine included stopping by his son, John's house, to visit over coffee. He enjoyed helping at his sons Jim and Steve's store, Top Notch, where he always made sure there was popcorn made for the customers. Above all else, Joe loved his family and cherished all the time he spent with them.

Joe is survived by his wife, Pat; 3 sons, Steve (Cindy) Angran, John (Lori) Angran, and Jim (Allison McGrann) Angran; 9 grandchildren, Kyle, Holland, Jimmy, Niki, Allie, Nate, Lacey, Tori, and Katy; and 9 great grandchildren. Joe is also survived by several nieces, nephews, cousins, and good friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Tony and Joan Angran and a sister, Betty Clark.

Visitation will be held from 2:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 11, 2024, at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia with Joe's family present from 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. to greet family and friends.

A memorial service will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 14, 2024, at the Lighthouse Church on the Nazarene in Moravia, with Pastors Jonathan Hall, Terry Chapman, and Tony Angran officiating and military honors provided by the American Legion of Albia, Lovilia, and Melrose.

A memorial has been established to the Welcome Home Soldier Monument in Albia.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 11. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Tharp Funeral Home  
116 Benton Ave.  
Albia, IA 52531  
(641) 932-3129  
<https://www.tharpfh.com/>

## Memorial Service

JAN 14. 3:00 PM (CT)

Lighthouse Church of the Nazarene  
405 Myra Lane  
Moravia, IA 52571

# Tribute Wall

EP

“ So many years of laughs and great times with this man. He always made me feel like apart of his family. So glad we got to spend some time together recently laughing and joking as we always did. Joe, you will be missed by so many, but especially me. Cheers in Heaven my friend!

Eddie Prew - January 11, 2024 at 02:17 PM

HC

“ A true friend and a great coffee buddy ! Shared many a cup with Joe and Richard at the Blue Bird!

Harold Clark - January 11, 2024 at 05:51 AM

YM

“ Yani and Sharon Marengo purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Joseph "Joe" Edward Angran.



Yani and Sharon Marengo - January 09, 2024 at 04:49 PM

JW

“ We used to go round and round at coffee several times a day. His total achievement of the day was to get you riled up about something insignificant that he didn't agree with anyway!!!

Good times and great memories.  
My sympathies to Pat and the kids.  
GOD SPEED OLD FRIEND  
JIM/WUB'S



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**Jim Wubben** - January 09, 2024 at 08:41 AM

PR

“ Pam Robinson lit a candle in memory of Joseph "Joe" Edward Angran



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**Pam Robinson** - January 09, 2024 at 05:36 AM

SB

“ Joe was always a favorite coffee drinker customer when I worked waitressing at the White Buffalo Restaurant. I Enjoyed watching all the coffee drinkers and him not agreeing with oneanother. He always brought smiles and laughs to everyone. Even those I spoke to about him smiled speaking about memories of him. Always remember a part of Joe is in his 3 sons. So a part of him will always be with you Pat and your family and he will always be remembered. Sorry to hear of your family's loss.

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**Susie (Long) Bischof** - January 08, 2024 at 07:42 PM



“ *The family is in my prayers. I just recently met Joe when I moved into the neighborhood. First neighbor to stop by and introduce himself. Genuinely made me feel welcomed.*

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**Heather Angle** - January 08, 2024 at 12:45 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Joseph "Joe" Edward Angran.*



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January 08, 2024 at 10:40 AM



“ *From Midwest Risk Management planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joseph "Joe" Edward Angran.*

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**From Midwest Risk Management** - January 08, 2024 at 10:40 AM



“ *You always made coming into top notch that much more enjoyable and amusing for Kayla and I. I remember the day I wasn't having any luck rabbitt hunting. You told me directions to a spot and said it was a secret and not to tell anyone. We went out there and got 11 rabbits. You're a master of your craft and one of the kindest, intelligent man I've ever known. Even though Kayla and I are no longer together I think I can speak for the both of us when I say we will miss you my friend. God speed. Rest in peace.*

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**Clayton Griffith** - January 08, 2024 at 10:35 AM

KE

“ *Kathy Marie Elliott lit a candle in memory of Joseph "Joe" Edward Angran*



Kathy Marie Elliott - January 08, 2024 at 10:12 AM

KE

*Aw Joe, what a great life you have had! RIP old buddy. Prayers and condolences to Pat and your Family.*

Kathy Elliott - January 08, 2024 at 10:13 AM



“ *THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS FOR PAT AND THE BOYS , LAST TIME I SEEN JOE WAS A FEW YEARS AGO HE GAVE ME A BIG HUG REST IN PEACE JOE YOU WILL BE MISSED*



Ed McGinn - January 08, 2024 at 09:12 AM

RL

“ *Rich And Connie Lambirth lit a candle in memory of Joseph "Joe" Edward Angran*



Rich and Connie Lambirth - January 07, 2024 at 09:39 PM

CP

“ *Cindy Conner Putman lit a candle in memory of Joseph "Joe" Edward Angran*



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**Cindy Conner Putman** - January 07, 2024 at 06:43 PM