



Joseph Peter Rizzo

June 7, 2007 - June 29, 2025

Passed peacefully in his sleep and woke up in the arms of Jesus on Sunday, June 29, 2025 at the age of 18. We know there is a reason, but we don't know why. We do know he is with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Joey is survived by his parents, John and Tracy; siblings, Justin, Tyson and Bella; grandparents, Len & Mary Jo Rizzo and Art & Diane Pellittieri; numerous loving aunts, uncles, cousins, close friends and the communities of Open Door Baptist Church, Restoration Church in TX and the Montgomery, TX community.

Family and friends may call at the Open Door Baptist Church, 350 Scottsville-Chili Rd. Churchville, NY 14428 on Monday, July 7th from 12-1:30pm. Joey's Celebration of Life will immediately follow at 2pm at the church. Interment, Westside Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, Joey who was an incredible giver, would prefer you send a memorial to where your heart is led to give.

Cemetery Details

Westside Cemetery

60 Stryker Rd.
Scottsville, NY 14546

Previous Events

Calling Hours

JUL 7. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Open Door Baptist Church
350 Scottsville-Chili Road
Churchville, NY 14428

Celebration of Life

JUL 7. 2:00 PM (ET)

Open Door Baptist Church
350 Scottsville-Chili Road
Churchville, NY 14428

Tribute Wall

PS

“ *Mary Jo and Lenny, I am so sorry that this happened. My prayers are with you.* ”

Patti Schantz - July 08, 2025 at 06:22 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Joseph Peter Rizzo.* ”



July 07, 2025 at 04:46 PM

RL

“ *RRH Women's Health Leaders purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Joseph Peter Rizzo.* ”



RRH Women's Health Leaders - July 06, 2025 at 06:04 PM

LP

“ *Love, Grandma and Grandpa Pellittieri purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Joseph Peter Rizzo.* ”



Love, Grandma and Grandpa Pellittieri - July 03, 2025 at 10:06 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joseph Peter Rizzo.*



July 02, 2025 at 03:41 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joseph Peter Rizzo.*



July 02, 2025 at 03:36 PM



“ *Jake Wilson & Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Joseph Peter Rizzo.*



Jake Wilson & Family - July 02, 2025 at 01:10 PM



“ *Jake Wilson & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joseph Peter Rizzo.*

Jake Wilson & Family - July 02, 2025 at 01:10 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Joseph Peter Rizzo.

July 01, 2025 at 10:36 PM



“ John, my heartfelt condolences to you and your family as you mourn the loss of your precious son. May he rest in eternal peace in may his memories touch your heart every minute of every day.

Stephen Cusenz - July 01, 2025 at 06:55 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Joseph Peter Rizzo.



July 01, 2025 at 04:44 PM



“ We are so very sorry for your loss and have been in constant prayer for y'all! Your faith and love for the Lord is truly inspiring and gives hope to the hopeless.



Two of my children at MHS, Makaylee Van Bergen and Kaden Canada, had the joy of knowing both Joey and his brother Tyson. One thing that was highlighted often is that their mom, Tracy, made the most INCREDIBLE cookies and they were 100 right and she made them for events and Football Dinners! This year for UIL, my daughter Makaylee was part of the group with Joey that made trips to compete and the road trips where they went are some of the most talked about memories. The last trip they took will forever be highlighted in her memory as one of the best with all they talked about for their futures and reminiscing on all they accomplished to get to where they are, which at the time, was a few weeks away from Graduation. In addition to that fond memory, she also can laugh about the time she took an animal from Joey in their “Top 10% group game of Minecraft. She hid it in and ofcourse he ended up finding it. Great memories and so many more but these are top of mind. My son Kaden and Joey were close since Jr High and he admired Joey for all that he was and did leading the way for people to be the best part of themselves. A dear friend that will truly be missed! The most incredible memory for both of my kids will always be listening to Joey give once INCREDIBLE Salutatorian Speech that brought laughs, tears and smiles! A lasting impression on many especially when it came to his Faith and Love for Jesus!

Precious Rizzo Family, We are with you in Prayer and holding you close to our hearts! 🙏❤️

Kayla Bowen-Van Bergen - July 01, 2025 at 03:15 PM

EL

Mary Jo and Len, we are so incredibly sorry that this has happened. Thank you, Jesus, for the certain knowledge of reunion someday. Praying for you and all the family. Much love,

*Kirk and Elizabeth Widlund
Julie Whitbeck*

Elizabeth - July 02, 2025 at 05:43 PM

SP

I had the pleasure of being one of Joey's many teachers and knowing him only briefly his senior year. Even in that short time, it was clear to me he was a wonderful young man and his light shone through. While I cannot imagine your grief, I wanted to offer you my deepest, most heartfelt condolences on a loss no parents should face. Please know that Joey touched more lives than you will ever be aware of and that you are covered in more prayers than you will ever know. God bless you and your family with comfort and peace until you see your precious boy again.

Shawna Perigo - July 03, 2025 at 10:15 AM

BH

I got to know both Tyson & Joey the last two years while being a Fellowship of Christian Athletes advisor. He was my go to person for anything I ever needed whether I was running late, needed the speaker greeted at the front doors, or opening the room for our meeting if I was going to be absent.... Why? Because he truly never missed a Friday FCA meeting. He was there to hear Gods word each & every Friday & most often was the very first one there so we got to know each other waiting for our meeting to start. We often tell the FCA kids they are leaders on campus & that was exactly what Joey was. He led by example in his words & by example through his actions. He was a great young man & will be greatly missed. I am grateful to have known him.

Bobbi Kay Hatzold - July 03, 2025 at 05:55 PM

GL

A donation to Doctors Without Borders was given in Joey's name by Steve and Georgette Lesnak

Georgette Lesnak - July 05, 2025 at 03:55 PM