



Joseph G. Haegele III

April 15, 1951 - January 2, 2026

Joseph G. "Joe" Haegele III, age 74 of New Douglas, IL, died Friday, January 2, 2026, at Saint John's Hospital in Springfield, IL.

He was born on Sunday, April 15, 1951, in Saint Louis, Missouri, the son of Joseph and Virginia (nee Crano) Haegele.

On Friday, August 27, 1971, he married Lynn Marie Haegele nee Gruenenfelder who survives.

He was a member of Tennessee Walking Horse Association, Chemical Workers Union of East St. Louis, Leef Township, and former member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Joe was born in St. Louis, Missouri, and grew up in Marine, Illinois. He attended St. Paul Catholic School and graduated from Triad High School in 1969. Joe worked on the family farm with his father, then in 1976, he started working for a chemical company. After retirement, he worked for New Douglas Township. Joe's biggest hobby was showing Tennessee Walking Horses at fairs, where he won many awards and trophies. He was very dedicated to his children and grandchildren. He attended all the grandchildren's sporting events. He loved his dog, Buddy, and cat, Elsay. Joe enjoyed fishing and was huge Kansas City Chiefs fan and never missed a game on TV.

Survivors include:

Wife - Lynn M. Haegele, New Douglas, IL

Daughter - Michele L. Neese (Sig.Other-Ronald D. Davis, Jr), New Douglas, IL

Son - Nick R. Haegele, Staunton, IL

Grandchild - Hunter R. Hall, New Douglas, IL

Grandchild - Nick R. Haegele, Jr., Staunton, IL

Grandchild - Levi L. Price, New Douglas, IL

Great Grandchild - Preston G. Hall, New Douglas, IL

Joe was the oldest of 11 children

He was preceded in death by:

Father - Joseph George Haegele, Jr. (died 10/4/2002)

Mother - Virginia L. Haegele, nee Crano (died 11/14/1996)

Son - Robert Joseph Haegele, Jr. (died 3/18/1997)

Arrangements are being handled by Dauderman Mortuary in Alhambra, IL.

A Private Graveside will be at 11:00 AM on Saturday, January 10, 2026, at Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery in Livingston, IL., with Pastor John Mindrup, Visitation Pastor, officiating.

Interment will be at Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery in Livingston, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to Grandchildren's Education Fund (checks payable to Lynn Haegele).

Tribute Wall

BL

“ *My love and prayers to the Haegele family. They were my neighbors when we lived in Alhambra. I remember Joe's smile and the love he had for his family. I can imagine how big his smile was when Bobbie was there waiting for him. What a joyous reunion that would be.*
Bonnie and Ashley Lilly

bonnie and Ashley Lilly - January 11 at 07:29 PM

RR

“ *My Deepest Sympathy for Lynn and the entire family I really enjoyed talking with Joe and all the stories*

Russell Ripperda - January 10 at 10:55 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Joseph G. Haegele III.*



January 09 at 02:22 PM

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“ *Jill and Ernie planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joseph G. Haegele III.*

Jill and Ernie - January 09 at 02:22 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joseph G. Haegele III.



January 08 at 03:08 PM



“ Your KT Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joseph G. Haegele III.

Your KT Family - January 08 at 03:08 PM



“ I was sorry to learn of Joe's passing. He and I shared many good memories of times we spent together training and showing our Tennessee Walking Horses. He was a great guy and a good horseman. He will be missed. Condolences to Lynn and the family.

Bradley A Woodruff - January 07 at 01:49 PM



“ Terri and I are so sorry to hear about Joe's passing. We'll always remember him fondly for his great smile and friendly demeanor. He'll be greatly missed. Doug Gruenfelder

Doug Gruenfelder - January 07 at 11:18 AM



“ So sorry to hear about Joe. We have known his family for many years..such a nice family. Always enjoyed talking to him. Our sincere condolences to you and family. Sending prayers.

LeRoy & Mary Jean Lentz - January 06 at 07:33 PM

HT

“ So sorry to hear about Joe. He was a special part of my family learning about horses. Loved to talk with him and watch him show at state fair. He will be missed. The family will be in my thoughts and prayers at this most difficult time.

Henrietta Tonnies - January 06 at 06:53 PM

KJ

“ We are so very sorry to hear of Joe's passing. We miss seeing you both at the State Fair. We don't DQP anymore. But miss it. We loved to watch Joe show off his babies. (Young ones). We will keep you all in our prayers.

Kim Sizer, and Jim - January 05 at 06:06 PM

CH

“ I will really miss Joe. Joe and Lynn used to stop by the house while on their bikes rides. It was always a pleasure to talk with them, share a glass of tea and hear about family, events and horses.

Chris - January 05 at 05:21 PM