

## **Emile Oscar Joseph Allaire**

Emile "Joe" Allaire 92, passed in his sleep at his home on April 11, 2022.

Joe was born September 15, 1929, in Manchester, NH, and was the son of the late Oscar and Jeannette Allaire of Suncook, NH.

Joe was a resident of Epsom for 62 years. He was predeceased by his wife Lucille "Lu" Gelinas, they shared 62 years of marriage before her death in 2012. Joe is survived by his four children Thomas Allaire and wife Sharon of Chichester, Susan Trudel and husband Daniel of Auburn, Janet Frost and husband Robert of Hampton Falls, and Sandra Brown and husband Matthew of Epsom.

In his youth, Joe was athletic and enjoyed many activities, he was a baseball pitcher, played darts, table pool, cards and was an excellent golfer. He enjoyed gardening, hunting, and fishing.

Joe had a great work ethic throughout his life, at one point he held three jobs at the same time. As a teenager he once worked as a dish washer at Louis Diner in Concord commuting by bicycle from Suncook to Concord. Joe served in the National Guard and was stationed at Fort Devens, Ayer, MA and Fort Eustis, Newport News, Virginia.

Over the course of his life, he often spoke of days gone by snowplowing and snowmobiling with his buddies Sam Bickford, Cy Gallant and Ed Fleury. That's when we had snow he used to say, "so much snow we could drive our snowmobiles over the roof of the cabin."

Joe was a 58-year member of the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 4. During his working years he was a skilled heavy equipment operator for Manchester Sand and Gravel, Palazzi Corporation, Zoppo Construction, and Brox Industries. He told many stories of the equipment he operated, construction places he worked and the people he worked with.

During his retirement years he and his wife Lucille had many years wintering at their home in Palmetto, Florida sharing good times with friends and family.

Joe leaves behind 6 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, In-law's, and his dear friend Dee of Palmetto, Florida.

No graveside services will be held at this time. A Celebration of Life will be held later at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be sent in his name to the Visiting Nurse Association, 30 Pillsbury Street, Concord, NH 03301.