



## Joseph "Peno" Castellari

August 2, 1917 - July 19, 2013

Joseph Bruno "Peno" Castellari, 95 of Centralia, passed away Friday, July 19, 2013 at Centralia Fireside Nursing Home in Centralia. Peno was born August 2, 1917 in Centralia, son of Romeo and Te Balda (Pellatti) Castellari. He married Theresa Helen Sullivan on August 6, 1956 in Belleville and she survives in Centralia. In addition to his wife of 56 years, he is also survived by three daughters: Patrice Henry of Centralia, Diane Fritch and husband Doug of Centralia and Regina Castellari of Centralia; 6 grandchildren: Michael Lee Castellari and wife Cheryl of Tampa, Florida, Misty Alli and husband Jim of Centralia, Joe Moore and Fiancé Amber Deadmond of Marion, Jessie Walker of Centralia, Elizabeth Fritch of Stamford, Connecticut, and Alex Fritch of Centralia; 8 great-grandchildren: Sterling, Peyton, Reagan, Nia, Logan, Katelyn, Crue, and Triston; a sister, Eileen Richards of Phoenix, Arizona; two sister-in-laws: Lola Castellari of Centralia and Pat Christian of Albuquerque, New Mexico; several nieces, nephews and a host of special friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, a son, Eddie Lee Castellari, two sisters, Violet Correll and Edna Mae Parrish, and two brothers, Knute Castellari and Pete Castellari. Peno was a retired Postal Carrier and the Proprietor of "Peno's Place". He devoted his life to helping countless others with his love of sports. Not only did he play when he was younger, but he coached, mentored, encouraged and supported all of his life as only Peno could. The Orphans have lost an avid Orphan's fan. At every Orphan basketball game he would be selling 50/50 raffle tickets for the Booster Club. He was a charter member of

the Centralia Sports Hall of Fame, and Clinton County Baseball League Hall of Fame in 2008. Most of all he loved spending time with his family and friends. Burial of Christian Mass for "Peno" Castellari will be held Thursday, July 25, 2013 at 11:00 A.M. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Centralia with Father Justin Olisaemeka officiating. Burial will follow at Calvary Cemetery in Centralia. Friends may call from 4:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. Wednesday evening at the Centralia High School Gym and from 9:00 A.M. until the time of service on Thursday at St. Mary's Catholic Church. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the St. Mary's School Fund or to the Centralia High School Alumni Association and will be accepted by the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home in Centralia, which is assisting the Castellari Family with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at [www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com](http://www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall

SG

“ PLEASE KNOW ALL THE JOY PENO GAVE TO ME AND MY WHOLE FAMILY. HE WAS MY FRIEND, FATHER FIGURE, AND BUDDY IN TROUBLE AT POST OFFICE. I STILL HEAR HIM LAUGHING YOUR IN OUR PRAYERS

SHELBY garrison - August 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ Take comfort in knowing that now you have a special guardian angel to watch over you. What an amazing life --lived to the fullest! Our thoughts are with you all! Love, Susan, Bob, Erik and Helen

Rachford Lynch - July 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ we send our deepest sympathy to the family of "peno" from the chapman family of the woodlawn and dix area. you will be missed greatly

tom chapman - July 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Patrice and family, I'm very sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

July 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ I will always remember the good times in Centralia knowing you were a friend to me and my father. Our thoughts will always be with you.

Paul Staton - July 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ My American Legion baseball experience would not have been the same without you, Peno. You loved the game, but you loved the players more. We all appreciated that about you. You will be missed.

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**John Bannister** - July 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ After hearing of Peno's passing, I thought of some of the good times at Peno's Ponderosa. The Centralia community lost a good citizen. My condolences and prayers to his family. Noland Atchison..Orange Park, FL

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July 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ I am very thankful and proud that I had the pleasure of knowing him. My deepest condolences to the family.

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**Tammie (Easley) Frank** - July 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ Peno was a good friend when I lived in Centralia. I'll always remember him for the smile and good humor.

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**Tom Bieser** - July 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Prayers and thoughts for Peno and his family.Peno will be missed by many.Lots of memories over the years.God bless. The Finley Family

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**Janet Finley-Huffman** - July 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ *Peno, Theresa and "Ma" were a wonderful part of my life in Centralia and Eddie Lee was one of my best friends. We shared the same birthday and a lot of fun times along with Bobby Cortelloni and many others. Peno always tried to give us the benefit of his wisdom and experience. He was a giver and had a great love for people. Heaven's angels are enjoying him today.*

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**Richard Cople** - July 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ *I don't think Peno ever had an enemy. He was loved by all who knew him. What a great contribution he made to Centralia by giving of himself. Our prayers are with all the Castellari family. He will be greatly missed.*

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**Judy Atchison** - July 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ *My condolences to the Castellari Family. May the love of family and friends of Peno's carry you through this time of sorrow.*

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**John Reichenbach** - July 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JN

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*jasper nocerino,*

*centralia, Illinois*

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**jasper nocerino** - July 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ *Peno was one of a kind. Always a big smile greeted you in church and a firm handshake. We are thankful that we had him in our lives and in our community. He cared so much for our youth and did so much for them. Our condolences to the family.* ”

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**Jeff & Linda Ludwa** - July 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ *May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow.* ”

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**Karren Lucas** - July 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ *A true legend to behold. Simply known as “Peno” to thousands across the area and beyond, he touched more lives than the number on the Centralia sign will ever show. Several times when mentioning my hometown, I have been asked, “Do you know Peno?” He was a man of small stature who leaves a legacy so grand that generations of grandkids will be told stories about him. May the joy of knowing how many lives he enriched help his family cope during this time.* ”

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**Karen Hayes** - July 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ *One of a kind. Who will ever forget him at the football games, firing up that thing when Centralia scored. Our memories of "Peno" will live forever.* ”

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**Dan Chamness** - July 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ *What a man! Always there to help when needed. He be missed by me and many others, especially, for me at the Hall of Fame banquet and the Holiday Tournament when I return to Centralia to visit. Many good memories. My thoughts and prayers are with the family and many friends.*

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**Gene Ferguson** - July 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ *Peno was a Centralia institution. He will be missed by all who knew him. My condolences to the family.*

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**Don Karchmer** - July 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ *So sorry to hear about the passing of Peno. The Castellari family has my condolence.*

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**Barbara Reichenbach Beaumont** - July 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ *What an amazing man! Peno loved his family, friends and community to the fullest! God bless you all!*

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**Chrissy Malare** - July 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ *Your whole family is in our prayers. You all played a big part in my life when growing up. I was lucky to have a family like yours to open their home to me.*

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**Deneen (Guthrie) Payne** - July 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM



ED

“ *Peno will be greatly missed. He never saw a stranger, was always kind. Prayers are with this family.* ”

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**Elaine Deadmond** - July 20, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Rest in peace Peno always a gentleman to us The Nocerino Family.* ”

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