



## Joseph "Joe" Arthur Greene II

April 28, 1988 - January 28, 2020

Joseph "Joe" Arthur Greene II  
Midland, Michigan

Joseph "Joe, Dode, Kokomo" Arthur Greene II, 31, was called home to heaven on Tuesday, January 28, 2020 at Woodland Hospice House in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan surrounded by loving family and friends after a 22 month battle against brain cancer.

The earth was graced with the gift of Joe on April 28, 1988 in Bay City, Michigan. For 31 years, he lived his life how we all wish we could; doing whatever he wanted, when he wanted, how he wanted. He was courageous, strong, and brave. Joe was also kind, caring, selfless, considerate, and a true gentleman; being polite and using his best manners until the very end. He loved family, friends, and strangers fiercely, and received the same in return. He was also famous for giving people nicknames, usually your name wasn't your name to Joe.

Joe graduated from Midland High School in 2006, then went on to Delta College. Through Delta, Joe was able to complete three sessions with the Disney College Program at Walt Disney World in Florida, living his dream. Joe provided top-notch service in multiple industries including hospitality, sales, restaurants, property management, and even two seasons with the Great Lakes Loons.

Joe will be long remembered for his love of people and music. He made

friends everywhere he went, even if it was only crossing the street. He taught himself to play any instrument he touched, and he did it well. Jam sessions with family and friends were one of his favorite pastimes. Summer was Joe's favorite season because it was then that he could enjoy kayaking, camping, boating, fishing, bonfires, and simply just being "up north".

Surviving Joe are his parents Teri "Martha" and Michael "Bobble" Collver, Joseph "Fadj" and Holly "H" Greene; his brothers Justin "LB, NT" Greene and Eric "Big Boss" Berthiaume (fiancée Alissa "LizaJane" Enszer), sister Chrisi Walker; niece Juniper "Juni"; grandmothers Barbara "G" Sauve, Dianne Holbrook, and Nan (James) McDowell. Many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends from around the globe are left to cherish Joe's memory. Joe also leaves behind on this earth, his person, Kait "Cake" Noble.

Welcoming Joe to his heavenly home were his grandparents Edward "Skip" Sauve, AnnaLee "MeeMaw" & Clarence "Chopper" Hinman, Bernard & Sharon Greene, Patrick "Pat" Holbrook, and Welcome "Pops" Collver; uncle Dennis "Dude" Greene; and cousins Kayln Greene and Austin Holbrook.

In accordance with Joe's wishes, cremation has taken place. A celebration of Joe's life will be held Saturday, March 7, 2020, at 2:00pm at the Sanford American Legion Post 443, 2080 N. Meridian Road, Sanford, Michigan.

Joe had a true giver's heart and was insistent that he continue to give long after his time here was up. Those wishing to express their love and sympathy are asked to direct contributions to the family. Due to the specific nature of Joe's wishes for donation recipients, the family will distribute per his requests. Special thanks to the Henry Ford Hospital family of caregivers including Dr. Adam Robin, Dr. James Snyder, the fantastic nurses, and all other "Henry" staff for their dedication and determination. The family would like to express sincere appreciation to the staff and volunteers of Woodland Hospice House for letting our pack move in for a few days, and taking great care of ALL of us. Many thanks also to John & Donna Rychwa from The Megan Mae Foundation for their ongoing support and encouragement.

The love, generosity, and kindness we have experienced throughout this 22

month journey has been remarkable and unforgettable.

Memories and sympathies of Joseph may be shared with the family on his memorial website at [WakemanFuneralHome.com](http://WakemanFuneralHome.com).

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

MAR 7. 2:00 PM (ET)

Sanford American Legion Post #443  
2080 N. Meridian Road  
Sanford, MI

# Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph "Joe" Arthur Greene II*

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September 13, 2022 at 05:01 PM



“ *Joseph "Joe" Arthur Greene II*

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September 13, 2022 at 02:27 PM



“ Joe came into my life back when I was at my most fragmented. At the time, I had just started the Disney college program for a summer after high school and came across a colorful cast of unique characters. Joe was the most colorful of all. I didn't truly understand it at the time but he brought more stability to my life then anyone had in years.

*Much of the reason I left to work at Disney was because I could escape my home life. The weight of my baggage was affecting me in ways that I couldn't express at the time. Joe came in and like a magnet. He put all of his talent into making me laugh. He didn't care about how I carried myself or the bad attitude I had. He looked past that and showed me how to enjoy the moment as it was. He always included me in paid no mind to my faults. I leaned on him through that period immensely and it forever affected who I am today.*

*I lost touch with him over the years as I had with everyone in my life. I regret not holding on to our friendship stronger and I'm grateful to have been in his life for the time we were connected. If I had appreciated him and his time in my life more I wouldn't have let our friendship slip away with time. It's too late now for me to tell him how much I care for him. I deeply miss Joe and he's still showing me the best way to go about life even after he's left. I'm sorry I'm late buddy and I promise not to let the positives in my life slip past me.*

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**Nathan Kingsbury** - August 10, 2020 at 01:01 PM

KH

“ Teri, Justin and family, I was so saddened to hear of Joe's passing. Our kids grew up together at Forest Glen and I know Marissa and I missed you all when you moved out. May you all find comfort and strength thru all your memories together. You all always had so much love and fun together. Thoughts and prayers to you all. Kim Hartwig

Kimberly Hartwig - February 04, 2020 at 09:00 PM

SD

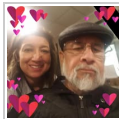
“ So sorry to hear of Joe's passing. May he RIP. Hugs to his family! Sandy & Dave Dabrowski

Sandy & Dave Dabrowski - February 03, 2020 at 07:24 PM

LF

“ I am saddened to learn of Joe's passing. During his years at Midland High School, I had the opportunity and pleasure of having Joe in several classes. He always entered the room with a smile and a pleasant “Hello, Mrs. Freed.” Joe was kind and caring towards others and would go out of his way to be helpful. Joe's carefree view of life was always positive. My condolences to your family; Joe will be missed. Mrs. Laura Freed

Laura Freed - February 03, 2020 at 07:12 PM



I too had the pleasure of being Joe's teacher. He always brought a smile to the classroom. I still have a thank you card in my desk from Joe. I read these notes to brighten my day. Joe gave me the card on his graduation day. Always a gentleman. My deepest condolences to the family. Ms. Guzman

Amy Guzman - February 05, 2020 at 06:13 PM

MN

“ I am so heartbroken for the entire family and for my dear friend/cousin Kaitlyn. Joe was a shining light in her life, which of course reflected to us. We enjoyed his down to earth spirit and humor every chance we visited! Joe fit in perfectly with Kait's family and he obviously loved her very much! I pray for your comfort and peace during this difficult time.

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**Melissa Noble** - February 03, 2020 at 11:57 AM

PB

“ R.I.P. Joe!! Hope you're enjoying a big bon fire up in Heaven! The ones on Turner Lane lit up the whole neighborhood!! Lol! Lots of great memories there! 💖🌈

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**Peggy Brewer** - February 03, 2020 at 10:45 AM