



Jeffrey Lee Spess

November 10, 2025

Jeffrey Lee Spess, 69, of Upper Macungie Twp., passed away on November 10, 2025 at home. He was the husband of the late Linda D. (Peterson) Spess. Jeff was a manager at the PA State Liquor Store in Schnecksville for 30 years until retiring in 2011. Jeff was a U.S. Coast Guard veteran. Born in Allentown, he was the son of Claire B. (Gillespie) Spess of Coplay and the late Vincent E. Spess. He was a 1974 graduate of Catasauqua High School.

He played trombone in the US Coast Guard and Catasauqua High School band. Over the years, Jeff enjoyed hunting, fishing, motorcycle rides and meeting up with friends. He was a longtime patron of the Kuhnsville Hotel.

Survivors: Mother: Claire, Sister: Diane, her husband Ari Nigam of Westfield, NJ, Brother: David, his wife Patience of Macungie, and many Nieces and Nephews, Caretaker: David Rissmiller of Kuhnsville.

A Memorial Service will be held on Wednesday, November 19, 2025 at 11 A.M. at the J.S. Burkholder Funeral Home, 16th and Hamilton Sts. Allentown. Interment to follow the memorial service at Cedar Hill Memorial Park, Allentown.

Cemetery Details

Cedar Hill Memorial Park

1700 Airport Rd.
Allentown, PA 18109

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV **19**. 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM (ET)

J S Burkholder Funeral Home Inc
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Allentown, PA 18102
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Tribute Wall

MM

“ Jeff was a wonderful friend. I will always remember his kindness, love of animals and sense of humor. I'll never forget the fun times we had fishing and our conversations about politics and saving the world. My wife and I send our deepest sympathy to Jeff's family and friends. He will be missed. Goodbye Buddy.
Mike Maguire



Mike Maguire - November 19, 2025 at 05:29 PM

JR

“ Dear Claire and Family, my sympathies and condolences to you all. My prayers are with you today as you deal with funeral services

Joe Reisinger - November 19, 2025 at 07:58 AM

LW

“ Jeff was a good guy and a classmate of the Class of 1974 at Catty High. To his family sorry for your loss. Prayers also going out

Larry Winch - November 16, 2025 at 06:56 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jeffrey Lee Spess.



November 15, 2025 at 01:14 PM

KB

“ Kristen B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jeffrey Lee Spess.

Kristen B. - November 13, 2025 at 03:02 PM

WM

“ William M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jeffrey Lee Spess.

William M. - November 13, 2025 at 07:32 AM

WM

“ Heartfelt condolences to the family. RIP Jeff

William Mayo - November 13, 2025 at 05:58 AM

SM

“ To the Spess Family and friends, please except my sincere condolences and thoughts for the loss of your beloved son/brother. I can remember the great memories and times we had together in school and the swimming pool. I had a hard time trying to get him to play tennis at the park a couple of times, he sure was a challenge sometimes. Please remember memories last a lifetime and will always be in your heart forever.

Stephen F Molo. MD

STEPHEN F. Molo. MD - November 12, 2025 at 07:30 PM