



# Joseph F. Riccelli

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Joseph F. Riccelli, 79, of Fort Lauderdale, passed away peacefully on Thursday, April 16, 2026. Joseph was born in Syracuse to the late Joseph and Rita (Bonn) Riccelli. He was the CEO and Founder of Riccelli Enterprises and with that, laid the foundation of a remarkable legacy with just a \$500 loan from his father to purchase a single dump truck. Today, the company he proudly built employs nearly 400 people and stands as the leading provider of construction materials and services across Central New York. Joseph was also an avid horseracing fan and loved taking trips to Saratoga. He enjoyed football and watching his son, little Joseph, play baseball; family was the most important to him and he cherished time spent with them above all else.

In addition to his parents, Joseph is predeceased by his brother-in-law, Patrick “Lozzy” Nesci.

He is survived by his loving wife, Marleen (Vatne) Riccelli; his children, Lucille (Denny) Nicholson, Richard (Andrea) Riccelli, Rita Riccelli, and Joseph Anthony Riccelli; his grandchildren, Paige, Claire, and Joseph Nicholson and Richard, Joseph, and Katarina Riccelli; his sister, Carol Nesci; his nieces and nephew, Andrea, Alicia, and Patrick; along with several cousins.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, April 23, 2026 from 4:00 – 7:00 P.M. at the THOMAS J. PIRRO JR. FUNERAL HOME, 3401 Vickery Rd. (corner of Buckley Rd.) North Syracuse. A funeral mass in celebration of Joseph’s life will take place on Friday, April 24, 2026 at 10:00 A.M. in Our Lady of Pompei/ St. Peter Church, 301 Ash St. Syracuse. Entombment will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery Mausoleum.

Contributions in lieu of flowers may be made to the Tunnel to Towers Foundation, 2361 Hylan Boulevard, Staten Island, NY 10306 or at <https://t2t.org>



# Events

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## Visitation

**Thursday**, April 23, 2026

4:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET

**Thomas J. Pirro Jr. Funeral Home**  
3401 Vickery Rd, Syracuse NY 13212

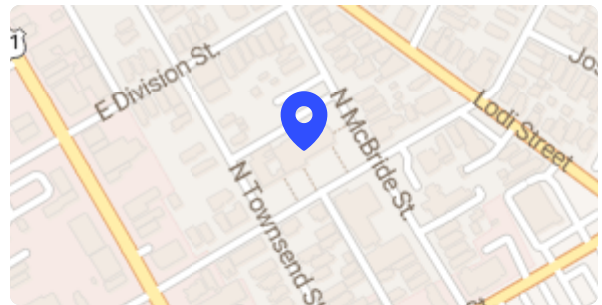


## Funeral Mass

**Friday**, April 24, 2026

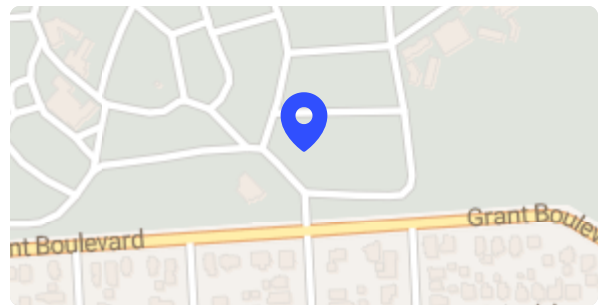
10:00 AM ET

**Our Lady of Pompei - St. Peter Church**  
301 Ash St., Syracuse NY 13208



## Cemetery Details

**Woodlawn Cemetery & Mausoleum**  
800 Grant Boulevard, Woodlawn Cemetery &  
Mausoleum NY 13203







## Tribute Wall

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**Patricia Nappi** posted:

To Joe wife and children and his Sister and family may he rest in eternal peace in heaven back in Rita your moms arms and your dad by your side are families go way back with my mom And Kate and Pat Nappi we are so sad for you all sorry we can not be there to honor Joe but are hearts will be with you all god bless Patricia Nappi -Dery and Thomas and Thomas Dery Jr  

April 18 at 1:59 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Joseph by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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