



## Joseph Thomas Slusarz

February 23, 1925 - May 11, 2016

JOSEPH THOMAS SLUSARZ, age 91, died Wednesday, May 11, 2016 at the Capital Caring Hospice Center in Aldie, VA.

Mr. Slusarz is preceded in death by his wife Dolores.

He is survived by his children Joe Slusarz (Wendy) Marengo, IL; Marie Causley (Kevin) Leesburg, VA; Susan Umana, Ashburn, VA; Judy Allison (Gary), Front Royal, VA; Thomas Slusarz (Kim Hunter), Ashburn, VA; his godson Robert Herman (Josephine), Davidson, NC; his sister Anne Franko, Leesburg, FL; 10 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

He was born and raised in Wilkes-Barre-PA, the son of Polish immigrants Frank and Mary (Tomczyk) Slusarz. After graduating high school in 1943, Mr. Slusarz enlisted in the Army and served in Patton's 2nd Armored Division, Hell on Wheels, as a gunner in a Sherman tank during WWII. He was part of the D-Day invasion of Normandy, the Battle of the Bulge, and Patton's marches through Northern France, the Ardennes, Central Europe and Germany. He was wounded in battle and was awarded the Purple Heart with Oakleaf Cluster, Good Conduct Medal, European African Middle Eastern Service Ribbon, Croix de Guerre (Belgium) War Cross for Bravery and 5 Battle Stars.

Mr. Slusarz began his career in 1946 with the Veterans Administration (VA),

Wilkes-Barre, PA Regional Office in the Finance Division as a Payroll Clerk in the Payroll Section Fiscal Accounts Division. He attended Wilkes College, Wilkes-Barre, PA completing undergraduate courses in Accounting. He worked as a Senior Computer Systems Analyst and was knowledgeable in the areas of data processing management, database design, systems design and programming, file structuring, accounting and payroll. He retired from the VA, as Chief, PAID Division, Office of Finance Washington, DC VA Central Office in 1984 after 40 years of federal service.

An avid golfer, bowler, and tennis player, Mr. Slusarz was an active member of the Heritage Hunt Community in Gainesville, VA for 17 years.

The family will receive friends from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. Monday, May 16, 2016, at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center St., Manassas, VA. A Mass of Christian Burial will be offered at 10:30 A.M., Tuesday, May 17, 2016, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 8213 Linton Hall Rd., Gainesville, VA 20155. Interment will follow at Quantico National Cemetery, Triangle, VA.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation.

# Cemetery Details

## Quantico National Cemetery

18424 Joplin Road  
Triangle, VA 22172

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 16.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home  
9609 Center St.  
Manassas, VA 20110  
(703) 257-6028  
pfh@piercefh.com  
<https://www.piercefh.com>

## Mass of Christian Burial

**MAY 17.** 10:30 AM (ET)

Holy Trinity Catholic Church  
8213 Linton Hall Road  
Gainesville, VA 20155  
<http://holytrinityparish.net/>

# Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry to hear of Joe's passing. He was a good friend.  
Joe & I worked together in the early 1960s at the VA Computer  
Center, Hines, IL,  
and later at VA Central Office. Went to dinner occasionally with Joe  
& Delores.  
My husband, Gary, thought they were both delightful people.  
My name was Peggy Cunningham then. It's Peg Lefebvre now.  
Sincerely, Gary & Peg Lefebvre

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**Peg Cunningham Lefebvre** - May 16, 2016 at 02:21 PM

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“ Chris, Tracy and Don & Fran Ansell purchased  
the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of  
Joseph Thomas Slusarz.



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**Chris, Tracy and Don & Fran Ansell** - May 16, 2016 at 11:49  
AM

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“ Marie and family...so sorry to hear of your loss. My deepest  
sympathy and heartfelt condolences to you. Charlie

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**Charlie** - May 15, 2016 at 02:00 PM

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“ *THE HERMAN FAMILY purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Joseph Thomas Slusarz.*



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**THE HERMAN FAMILY** - May 13, 2016 at 02:39 PM