



Joseph Sheats

August 1, 2025

Joseph “Joe” Lee Sheats, of Pittsburgh, passed away on August 1, 2025, at the age of 76.

Born in Paris, France, on November 4, 1948, Joe spent his youth as part of a military family stationed around the world before eventually settling in Pittsburgh, the city he would call home for most of his life.

He proudly served his country as a U.S. Navy Seabee in Vietnam from 1970 to 1971, living the Seabee motto: “With compassion for others, we build, we fight, for peace with freedom.” Joe carried forward the legacy of service he was raised with, embodying quiet strength, deep loyalty, and an unwavering commitment to doing what was right.

Joe is survived by his wife of 56 years, Jeanne (Dichiara) Sheats; two daughters, April Bellisario (Earl) and Alysa Sheats (Bryan Kirtley); and two beloved grandchildren, Joseph Bellisario and Beatrix Kirtley. To his family, he was a steady presence, a quiet protector, and a source of strength they could always count on.

A private burial will take place at the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the veteran

charity of your choice, in honor of Joe's service and lifelong respect for those who served beside him.

He will be deeply missed and forever remembered.

Arrangements entrusted to GENE H. CORL FUNERAL CHAPEL INC. AND
CREMATION SERVICES OF MONROEVILLE.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Rest in peace uncle Joe*

William Stefanos - August 14, 2025 at 05:35 PM

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“ *I am at-once deeply saddened at the loss of my friend and fellow Seabee and beyond grateful for the times we shared and the example Joe set for all who knew and loved him. In the 55 years since we met in Gulfport, MS there have been long stretches between personal connections, but with Joe there was a bond that enabled us to pick up where we'd left off instantly. Joe was a man of honor with a great sense of humor and an unparalleled sense of honor. I am proud to have known him and send my sincere condolences to Jeanne and his entire family. Jeanne was his rock and he never failed to acknowledge that reality. Rest in peace, brother Seabee.*

Jerry Christy - August 05, 2025 at 12:00 PM

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Sending my deepest sympathy to Jeanne and her family. My husband Jim Beavers was stationed in Gulfport and served with Joe. We lived in the same apartment complex and loved having Joe and Jeanne that close. Have so many fond memories of our family if Seabees. So very sorry for your loss.

Alice Beavers - August 06, 2025 at 11:57 AM