

# JAY KLEIN



Age 83, formerly of Center Township, passed away on July 1, 2024. Born on May 10, 1941, Jay was the son of the late Ann and Louis Klein. Jay leaves behind his son, Louis (Nicole) Klein of Pittsburgh. Jay was also the beloved Ampy to his two grandchildren, Addison and Austin, as well as his grand-puppy and favorite napping companion, Brody. Jay also leaves behind his niece, Kimberly Zytneck,

Aspinwall (wife of the late Jay Zytneck); and three grandnephews, Zachary, William, and Matthew Zytneck. Jay was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 42 years, Ilene Klein, in June of 2023.

Jay was a graduate of Aliquippa High School, as well as a graduate of Youngstown State University. Jay took tremendous joy in playing cards with Addison and Austin. Most notably, their games in War over who would be the latest champion - with the winner being the proud holder of the War championship crown that Austin made - often led to both laughter and tears. Jay was highly entertained by the Taylor Swift playing cards that Addison gifted him this most recent Father's Day, such that they would have a new set of cards for their games. Jay also served as president of the Center Band Parents during Lou's time in high school, as well as on the board of Beth Samuel Jewish Center in Ambridge during the 1990s.

In addition to his devotion to his family, Jay was an enormous sports fan, most notably with an incredible passion for Aliquippa sports. He was particularly thrilled for their numerous championships over the years, including their state championships in both football and basketball within the past year. Jay could often be found talking about the latest sports news and games with his family and friends.

Family and friends will be received between 10 AM and noon on Sunday, July 7, 2024, at **HUNTSMAN FUNERAL HOME**, 2345 Mill Street, Aliquippa, PA 15001, with a Celebration of Life to follow thereafter. Interment will then follow at Beth Shalom Cemetery, 1501 Anderson Road, Shaler, PA 15209.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Ilene Klein Children's Fund at B.F. Jones Memorial Library, Aliquippa, PA. Donations to the fund can be made online at <https://link.clover.com/urlshortener/VV3WXb>. A livestream link for the celebration of life will be posted on the Huntsman Funeral Home website (<https://huntsmanfuneralhomes.com>), as well.

Send condolences [post-gazette.com/gb](https://post-gazette.com/gb)