



## Richard "Joe" H. Jedele

June 13, 1958 - December 17, 2020

Richard "Joe" Jedele, age 62, passed away suddenly on December 17, 2020 at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor, MI, following a very brief illness. He was born June 13, 1958 in Ann Arbor, MI, the son of LeRoy H. and Irene S. (Kruger) Jedele. On November 11, 2006, he married Dona (Hertler) Vershum; and she survives.

Joe had a life-long love of farming, starting on his Jedele grandparents' farm at a very young age. This experience got him started on tractor pulling, and he proudly pulled the "Smokin' Joe" Massey Ferguson in Pro Stock pulls across Michigan and northern Ohio for many years. He gave up tractor pulling when he had the opportunity to buy his Kruger grandparents' farm and happily worked the land full-time upon retiring from the Washtenaw County Road Commission in 2018 after more than 20 years of service. Joe had also worked for Gross Farm Equipment and Niethammer Trucking earlier in his career.

Surviving, in addition to his wife Dona, are her children, Kevin (Carrie) Vershum and Kelli (Todd) Pollard; their treasured grandchildren, Noah, Jonah, Addyson, Henry and Grace; his mother, Irene Jedele; two sisters, Karen (Rob) Mills and Marie (Doug) Bowker; three brothers, Roger (JoAnn) Jedele, Keith Jedele, and Gary (Judy) Jedele; and many nieces and nephews, aunts, uncles, and cousins. Joe was preceded in death by his father, LeRoy Jedele, in 1997.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Joe's name may be made to Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church 7474 Scio Church Rd, Ann Arbor, MI 48103 or to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society <https://donate.lls.org/lls/donate>. Funeral services will be held privately. A service will be viewable via livestream on Monday, December 21, 2020. You can watch the service starting at 10:50 A.M. by visiting the Church's Facebook page by clicking <https://www.facebook.com/events/437063374126704/> or on YouTube by clicking [https://youtu.be/Hm7Xu9Ea1\\_k](https://youtu.be/Hm7Xu9Ea1_k) To sign Joe's guestbook, or to leave a memory please visit [www.rbfhsaline.com](http://www.rbfhsaline.com).

# Cemetery Details

## **Salem Lutheran Church Cemetery**

7474 Scio Church Road  
Ann Arbor, MI 48103

# Tribute Wall



“ Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Richard "Joe" Jedele Livestream Service in memory of Richard "Joe" H. Jedele



Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home & Cremation Services - December 19, 2020 at 12:28 PM

EB

We are so sorry for the loss of our neighbor Joe. Praying for comfort for Joe's family.

Elizabeth Baron - December 20, 2020 at 07:56 PM

DD

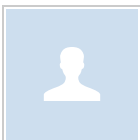
So sorry for your loss. My heart goes out to you and your family

Debbie Davis - December 21, 2020 at 10:24 AM

ED

I just heard the very unfortunate news my heart and prayers go out to the family

Everett Eggert dinky - December 25, 2020 at 08:40 PM



“ Richard "Joe" H. Jedele

October 23, 2023 at 01:07 PM

PG

“ *Phil. Gordon lit a candle in memory of Richard "Joe" H. Jedele*



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**Phil. Gordon** - December 22, 2020 at 04:03 PM

DN

“ *So sorry for your loss. May the peace of God comfort you in this time of sorrow.*

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**Deborah (Jedele) Niedbala** - December 21, 2020 at 06:12 AM

DW

“ *Dan and Barbara Walter send condolences to Richard "Joe Jedele*



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**Dan and Barbara Walter** - December 20, 2020 at 03:20 PM

MB

“ *Joe n Dona came over n it was a nice visit. I really wish we got to know him better. He was one in a million. Such a caring person. Joe sure will be missed. Another good person taken away so very young. Loads of love Dona.*

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**Michele Burgess** - December 20, 2020 at 01:49 PM

LR

“ Irene and Family, Our thoughts And Prayers are with you and your Family, Lee and Sheila Reichenberger



Leroy & Sheila Reichenberger - December 20, 2020 at 01:26 PM

MR

“ So sorry for your loss. "Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted." Matthew 5:4 Hope you find comfort in the Lord, Family and Friends during this difficult time.

David and Mandy Rogers

Mandy M Rogers - December 20, 2020 at 09:11 AM

DT

“ Our sincere condolences.



David & Penny Trinkle - December 19, 2020 at 09:28 PM

SO

“ Sandy Ormsby lit a candle in memory of Richard "Joe" H. Jedele



sandy ormsby - December 19, 2020 at 09:05 PM

KO

“ Kevin Sandy Ormsby lit a candle in memory of Richard "Joe" H. Jedele



kevin sandy ormsby - December 19, 2020 at 09:03 PM

VB

“ RIP Joe and fly high into the heavens- To all of the family you are in my thoughts and prayers and may the dear lord give you the strength during this time- 'm so so sorry - my heart aches for you all- god bless



vickie bennett - December 19, 2020 at 06:44 PM

RR

“ Robyn And Larry Robison lit a candle in memory of Richard "Joe" H. Jedele



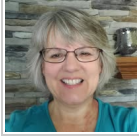
Robyn and Larry Robison - December 19, 2020 at 11:40 AM

DG

“ Dan And Kathy Grau lit a candle in memory of Richard "Joe" H. Jedele



Dan and Kathy Grau - December 19, 2020 at 09:02 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



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**Marie Bowker** - December 18, 2020 at 07:28 PM

DW

“ Dan Wheeler lit a candle in memory of Richard "Joe" H. Jedele



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**Dan Wheeler** - December 18, 2020 at 07:08 PM

KB

“ Condolences to the family. I enjoyed working with Joe at the road commission

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**Kevin Bradbury** - December 18, 2020 at 05:25 PM

CB

“ Chris And Pat Bennett lit a candle in memory of Richard "Joe" H. Jedele



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**Chris and Pat Bennett** - December 18, 2020 at 05:10 PM

PD

“ Pam Drake lit a candle in memory of Richard "Joe" H. Jedele



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**Pam Drake** - December 18, 2020 at 02:47 PM

BB

“ Brenda Bristle-Warman lit a candle in memory of Richard "Joe" H. Jedele



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**Brenda Bristle-Warman** - December 18, 2020 at 02:37 PM

JM

“ Janice Mooneyham lit a candle in memory of Richard "Joe" H. Jedele



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**Janice Mooneyham** - December 18, 2020 at 02:21 PM