



## Joseph J. Simonelli

September 9, 1921 - December 1, 2014

Joseph J. Simonelli, age 93, of Camdenon, passed away Monday, December 1, 2014, at the Laurie Care Center. He was born September 9, 1921, in Chicago, Illinois, a son of the late Adolph and Leodina (Bartalucci) Simonelli.

On February 14, 1942, in Chicago, he was united in marriage to Alice O'Connell, who preceded him in death on November 22, 2001.

Joe was a veteran of the United States Army, serving in World War II, and was a survivor of the Battle of the Bulge. He was a recipient of the Purple Heart and was also a Prisoner of War.

Joe was a member of the St. Patrick Catholic Church in Laurie, the Knights of Columbus and was a life member of both the VFW Post 5923 in Camdenon and a life member of the American Legion Zack Wheat Post 624 in Sunrise Beach.

In his spare time, he enjoyed wood carving, especially chip carving, baking and cooking. Joe was known for his delicious biscotti and was commonly known as, "The Cookie Man".

He is survived by his son, Tom Simonelli and wife Mary of Londonderry, New Hampshire; his daughter, Penny Potter and husband Jim of Roach, Missouri;

his daughter-in-law, Linda Simonelli of Bloomingdale, Illinois; grandchildren, Dan, Tim, Mike, Becca, Michelle and Adriana; fifteen great-grandchildren and many other relatives and friends. In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by his sons, Joseph Simonelli, Jr. and Michael Simonelli and grandsons, Ken and David.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 a.m., Friday, December 5th, at the St. Patrick Catholic Church in Laurie with Father Patrick Dolan officiating. Graveside services and interment with full military honors will follow in St. Patrick's Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m., Friday, at the church. Memorial contributions are suggested to the Wounded Warrior Project.

Arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Patrick Cemetery

800 Highway O  
Laurie, MO 65038

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 5. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Patrick Catholic Church  
176 Marian Dr.  
Gravois Mills, MO 65037  
<http://www.stpatrickcatholicchurch.org>

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