



Joseph M. Sutila

October 24, 2016

Sutila, Joseph M. Born December 5, 1938 in New Haven, CT to parents Joseph and Mary Sutila. Graduate of Hamden High School 1956, where he played Football, Baseball and Basketball. Graduate of the University of Connecticut in 1961 with a BA in Geology and Geography. Joe was a member of the Varsity Squash Team. He was a member of the Air Force ROTC and commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant upon graduation. After graduation he attended Air Force Pilot Training at Reese AFB in Lubbock, TX. Upon completion he was selected to fly the F-102A and completed training at Perrin AFB in Sherman, TX. He then was assigned to Truax Field in Madison, WI from 1963-65. His next assignment was at Clark AFB in the Philippine Islands with the 405th Fighter Wing deploying regularly to North Vietnam and Thailand during the Vietnam War. He completed his Air Force Service in 1967. During his Air Force career, he earned the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with 4 Oak Leaf Clusters, Air Force Commendation Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal and Vietnam Campaign Medal. Joe was hired by Northwest Airlines in the fall of 1967 in Minneapolis, MN. Joe flew for 32 years on the B-707, B-727, and DC-10. He retired a DC-10 Captain at the age of 60. At Northwest he served as an Instructor on the DC-10 in his final years at Northwest. Joe quietly departed this life on Monday, October 24, 2016 at home surrounded by family. Married to Pat Sutila. Preceded in death by parents, Joseph and Mary Sutila. Survived by sister, Emily Coppola; two children, Donna (Mike) Nord and Craig (Sharon) Sutila; four grandchildren,

Tyler, Mitch, Alex and Tesla and two great-grandchildren, Jace and Harlyn Nord. Mass of Christian Burial 10:30 AM Monday, October 31st at Pax Christi Catholic Community, 12100 Pioneer Trail, Eden Prairie. Visitation 4-7 PM Sunday, October 30th at Washburn-McReavy Eden Prairie Chapel and also one hour prior to service at church. Interment Fort Snelling National Cemetery. Washburn-McReavy.com Eden Prairie Chapel 952-975-0400 7625 Mitchell Rd. (1 blk. N. of Hwy 5)

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **30**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Eden Prairie Chapel
7625 Mitchell Road
Eden Prairie, MN 55344
(952) 975-0400
info@washburn-mcreavy.com

Service

OCT **31**. 10:30 AM (CT)

Pax Christi Catholic Community
12100 Pioneer Trail
Eden Prairie, MN 55347-4553
(952) 941-3150

Tribute Wall



“ *Dear Pat
Was sorry to hear about Joe's passing.
Dick Goforth*

Dick - October 31, 2016 at 06:11 AM



“ *To The Sutila Family -
Prayerful condolences and sympathies, to the Sutila Family, with the
passing of Joe. We were at NWA together, I enjoyed Joe's
acquaintance//friendship, a good fellow, whose demeanor was
always considerate and pleasant. God Bless & RIP.
Nate Cobb*

Nate Cobb - October 30, 2016 at 06:25 PM



“ *Frankly, I didn't know Joe extremely well. But I flew with him on the
727 at Northwest a number of times back in the mid-80s, and I
remember him well because he was a good guy. I liked him
personally, and I also respected him. So sorry to hear that he's left
us.*

Doug Fee - October 30, 2016 at 11:57 AM



“ *Heartfelt Memories was purchased for the family
of Joseph M. Sutila.*



October 28, 2016 at 10:06 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joseph M. Sutila.*



October 28, 2016 at 09:53 PM



“ *My Fair Lady was purchased for the family of Joseph M. Sutila.*



October 28, 2016 at 10:06 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joseph M. Sutila.*



October 27, 2016 at 03:08 PM