



## James Steven Toma

August 24, 1946 - January 9, 2022

James S. Toma, 75, of Aurora, passed away Sunday, January 9, 2022 in his home. He was born August 24, 1946, in Aurora, the son of Stephen and Patricia (Cox) Toma.

Jim had worked for Barber-Greene Company and then Allen Elementary School, both in Aurora prior to his retirement in 2006.

Jim served in the Navy during the Vietnam War and was an extremely proud Veteran.

He was very involved in Aurora Boys Baseball where he coached the Exchange Club team in the Pony League for many years. He was also an avid Chicago sports fan, and was a member of the Turners Club, the Irish Club, and the Tiger Athletic Club.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents; his brother Jerry Toma; and a niece.

Survivors include his wife of 52 years, Susan; three children Lori (Craig) Phillip of Montgomery, Michael (Bridget) Toma of North Aurora, and Jeffrey Toma of Aurora; his four grandchildren Kylie, Samantha, Nathan, and Zachary; his sister Connie Ryan of Aurora; and many nieces and nephews. He was deeply loved and will be greatly missed.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, January 15, 2022 at 11:30 AM from THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY to St. Joseph Church at 12:00 PM; Fr. Matthew Mc Morrow will officiate. Interment with Military Honors will follow at St. Joseph Cemetery.

Visitation will be held Saturday from 10:00 AM until 11:30 AM at THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY, 220 N. Lake Street, Aurora, 630-631-5500. Due to Covid-19 pandemic protocols, face masks are required for those in attendance at the funeral home and at church.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Joseph Cemetery

Corner of Rt. 25 and Indian Trail Road.  
Aurora, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **15**. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Daleiden Mortuary  
220 N. Lake Street  
Aurora, IL 60506  
(630) 631-5500  
daleidenmortuary@gmail.com  
<https://www.daleidenmortuary.com>

## Funeral Mass

JAN **15**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

St. Joseph Church  
722 High Street  
Aurora, IL 60505  
1-630-844-7380

## Burial

JAN 15. 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

St. Joseph Cemetery  
Corner of Rt. 25 and Indian Trail Road.  
Aurora, IL

# Tribute Wall

TK

“ Tom and Tricia Krusenoski purchased the Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White for the family of James Steven Toma.



Tom and Tricia Krusenoski - January 14, 2022 at 01:36 PM



“ Red, White & Blue Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of James Steven Toma.



January 14, 2022 at 10:05 AM



“ Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of James Steven Toma.



January 14, 2022 at 08:04 AM



“ Yellow & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of James Steven Toma.



January 13, 2022 at 09:05 PM

PJ

“ I'm saddened by this news. I played baseball against Jim for several years, first in Legion League and then in the Industrial League. Jim was a GREAT pitcher with incredible speed and the wickedest curve imaginable. He was also a very quiet and humble guy with a quick smile and kind words. I send my kindest thoughts to his family.

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**Paul Jones** - January 13, 2022 at 10:13 AM

RS

*Jim and Sue are the best neighbors anyone could ask for. My sincere condolences to the whole family.*

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**Russell Shimp** - January 13, 2022 at 01:30 PM

BK

*A sad day. Played with Jim with Valley City in Pony League and at East. Great pitcher and friend. Remember when a Rep. from Arizona State came and asked if wanted to played baseball there. He said when he left East he was never going to school again. We always laughed when he batted but he hit a Home Run with VC. He was the best.*

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**Bill Kelley** - January 13, 2022 at 02:16 PM

JT

“ Your dad was my Grandfather's brother. Your back yard was connected to my Aunt Mary Rackozy who was my grandmother's sister. I remember when I was real young we would go to your house to playball in the back yard at family gatherings. Those were good times and memories that last forever.  
*Rest in Peace dear Cousin. Heaven is now a better place and obviously God needed a great coach for his Angel's team.*

*My condolences to your family.*

*Rest in peace CUZ*

*Joe Toma*

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**joe toma** - January 13, 2022 at 12:26 AM

YF

“ *Your Aurora Turners Gymnastics family purchased the Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White for the family of James Steven Toma.*



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**Your Aurora Turners Gymnastics family** - January 12, 2022 at 12:24 PM

BB

“ *Jim worked at Allen School for many years while I was teaching there. He shared stories about his time in Vietnam with me that opened my eyes to what it was like for the soldiers who came back. He loved talking baseball and gave me lots of pointers to use when coaching. I depended on him to give me my NCAA picks so I could win the family pool. After he retired I never won again! I recently had to confess to my kids that I used a secret source and not my own research. Jim worked hard to make Allen sparkle and we've never forgotten him.*

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**Barbara Belford** - January 12, 2022 at 10:51 AM