



## Dr. Joseph Elie

July 26, 1937 - January 31, 2020

Dr. Joseph Elie MD DABO, FACS, age 82 of Dixon died Friday January 31, 2020 at KSB Hospital in Dixon. He was born July 26, 1937 in Port au Prince, Haiti the son of Marcel and Anna (Viard) Elie. Dr. Elie specialized in Otolaryngology/ Head and Neck Surgery and worked at McNichols Clinic and KSB for 31 years prior to his retirement.

Dr completed Medical School and a residency in Port au Prince and followed by an internship in Rochester, NY. He then continued his studies at hospitals in Montreal Canada and at the University of Chicago where he finished his Otolaryngology training at Billings Hospital. He also completed a fellowship in Bordeaux, France under Prof. AG Michel Portman in Microsurgery of the Ear. Dr. was a member of the Dixon Elks Lodge and the Dixon Coin Club. He loved to translate Latin and Greek. He was an avid world historian and stayed current in world events.

Dr Elie married Mary Ann Polascik Oct. 2, 1973 in Bordeaux, France.

He is survived by his wife Dr. Mary Ann Polascik, daughter Laura (Iain) Hittel of Kelowna, BC; grandchildren Madeleine and Jonah. He is also survived by brothers Philippe Elie and Jean-Pierre Elie MD and one sister Marie-Theresa Dejean MD. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Mass of Christian Burial will be Saturday Feb. 8, 2020 at 10:30 AM at St Anne Catholic Church in Dixon with the Rev. Thomas Doyle officiating. Burial will follow at Oakwood Cemetery in Dixon. Visitation will be held on Friday from 4:00 to 7:00 PM at the Jones Funeral Home in Dixon with the Rosary at 7:00

PM. Memorial contributions in Dr. Elie's name can be made to the Salesian Missions, the Salvation Army or St Anne School in Dixon.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood

416 S Dement Ave  
Dixon, IL 61021

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 7. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Jones Funeral Home, Dixon  
204 South Ottawa  
Dixon, IL 61021  
Ph: 815-288-2241  
[info@thejonesfh.com](mailto:info@thejonesfh.com)  
<https://www.thejonesfh.com>

## Service

FEB 8. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Anne Catholic Church  
1104 N Brinton Ave  
Dixon, IL 61021  
(815) 288-3131  
[http://www.stanneschooldixon.org/st\\_anne\\_parish.htm](http://www.stanneschooldixon.org/st_anne_parish.htm)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. Joseph Elie*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Dr. Joseph Elie*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *We recently learned about Joe's passing.  
My father who had him as a resident in Haiti always he was one of  
the best if not the best he has had in the residency program.  
Sincere condolences to the family  
Christine Hudicourt Sajous.*

**Christine Sajous** - March 14, 2020 at 03:20 PM



“ *It was my good fortune to have Dr. Elie be a friend as well as a  
great surgeon. Forty years ago or thereabouts he surgically fixed  
my ear that had bothered me for better than 30 years. He has been  
a friend ever since. Knew me and called me by name whenever we  
met. Made me feel good just to have known him, goodbye Dr. It was  
my pleasure to have known you. Roger/Woger*

**Roger Landreth** - February 09, 2020 at 08:43 AM

SG

“ Sad to hear of Joe’s passing. A man who seemed to enjoy his life’s journey, I was fortunate to have had the opportunity to work with him.

*With a great sense of humor, he lived life to the fullest. Blessed with a good marriage, he couldn’t have been prouder of his multilingual daughter.*

*Friendly and laid back, he took genuine pleasure in caring for the people of Dixon.*

*Passionate about his coins, he helped me collect a few—when the price was right of course.*

*Life well lived. He will be missed.*

*Dr. Susan Gould*

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**Susan Gould** - February 07, 2020 at 08:31 AM

JZ

“ I am saddened to hear of Joseph's death. I was an Otolaryngology resident (1967-1971), perhaps senior to Joe in training by a few years, at the University of Chicago when Joe was there. I always remember him as a kind, caring physician with a gentle nature. He never rushed to judgement however stressful the situation was.

*Although I am retired completely, I now reside in Chicago and see the physicians and residents of the U of C Otolaryngology Service on a regular basis. I will pass this information to the staff next week during the resident research presentations. There is a historical display in the "Otolaryngology" office corridor showing a series of photos of former residents and staff. I don't know if Joe ever returned to the U of C to see these historical photos. His photo, during his residency days with his wonderful warm smile, hangs very close to mine.*

*With fondness and good memories.*

*Dr. Joan T. Zajtchuk, COL (ret.) US Army*

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**Joam Zajtchuk** - February 07, 2020 at 07:22 AM

DM

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you, Laura and your family.*  
*Denise MacLellan*

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**Denise MacLellan** - February 07, 2020 at 07:17 AM

IC

“ *Au revoir Joe; tu diras bonjour à mon papa. Mes sincères  
condoléances à toute la famille. Philippe, Marie-Thérèse, je vous  
suis avec vous en pensée xxx*

*Isabelle César*

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**Isabelle César** - February 06, 2020 at 01:47 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for  
the family of Dr. Joseph Elie.*



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February 06, 2020 at 09:58 AM

MF

“ *To Dr. Joseph Elie Family,  
We are sadden to hear of the passing of Dr. Elie, our prayers are  
with you during this difficult time. His support of the CHAI  
organization in helping the children in Northern Haiti will never be  
forgotten. May God bless you and be your comfort in sorrow.  
With deepest sympathy,  
Concerned Haitian American in Illinois CHAI*

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**Marie Francois** - February 06, 2020 at 12:31 AM

BW

“ Rest in peace, Dr. Elie. You treated me when I had a bad ear infection when I was just a freshman in high school, way back in 1977, and I still remember how grateful I was. People sometimes wonder whether they have much of an impact on others throughout their lives. Well, you certainly did and I haven't forgotten you. God bless you.



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**Bradley Wagner** - February 05, 2020 at 12:23 PM



“ Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Dr. Joseph Elie.



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February 05, 2020 at 10:35 AM

DW

“ Rest in peace, my friend. I was always a fan of yours. Your kindness to me during the early ears of KSB Medical Group will always be treasured.

*Dr. Michael Wessels*

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**Dr. Michael Wessels** - February 04, 2020 at 07:42 PM

DS

“ *Our prayers and condolences to Dr. Elie's family. He helped our family throughout the years with ear surgeries and care. A wonderful and passionate man.*

*Joe and Diane Stewart*

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**Diane Stewart** - February 04, 2020 at 11:07 AM



“ *RIP Dr. Elie!*

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**Wayne Burgess** - February 03, 2020 at 06:41 PM