



Joseph Bandagski Jr

May 4, 1960 - April 10, 2026

Joseph Bandagski Jr began his eternal life with Jesus on Friday April 10, 2026.

He was born May 4, 1960 to loving parents Joe and Lillian Bandagski and joined their family along with his three sisters Sally, Bonnie and Cindy.

He grew up in Sheffield Township and graduated from Clearview High School.

Joe married Lorri, his wife and love of his life of 45 years in 1980 and they had four children whom Joe adored: Faythe, Joey, Anthony and Andrew. Joe loved his family big and unconditionally. Besides his children, he had 7 grandchildren: Carson, Carter, Camdyn, Chayse, Kevin, Emily and Dylan. They were the light of his life. His favorite sister, Cindy, was a source of support, comfort and love. His many nieces and nephews made his life full and bright.

In 1981, Joe joined the Sheffield Township Fire Department and worked there until he retired as the fire chief in 2024. Joe loved the people of Sheffield Township and showed his love through his 43 years of service to his community. In 1985, Joe started working for Ridge Hill Memorial Park and he worked there until his passing.

Joe's family would like to thank Ridge Hill Memorial Park who went above and beyond for Joe during his illness. It took so much stress off his family and supported them in ways that went above the employee/employer relationship. They have truly been a family to Joe's family. They would also like to acknowledge the Sheffield Township Fire Department for their support throughout the years. And a big thank you to their church family at Bethel Chapel. Joe loved all of you and thought of everyone as his true family.

The family will receive friends Friday, April 17, 2026 from 10:00 am until the time of funeral services at Noon at Bethel Chapel, 4065 Broadway, Lorain. Following funeral services, the Sheffield Township Fire Department will lead the procession to Ridge Hill Memorial Park.

Memorial contributions can be made to Bethel Chapel, 4065 Broadway, Lorain, OH 44052.

Cemetery Details

Ridge Hill Memorial Park

44805 N Ridge Rd
Amherst, OH 44001
<https://ridgehillmp.org/>

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 17. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Bethel Chapel
4065 Broadway Avenue
Lorain, OH 44052

Funeral Service

APR 17. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Bethel Chapel
4065 Broadway Avenue
Lorain, OH 44052

Tribute Wall



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joseph Bandagski Jr.



April 15 at 09:30 PM



“ I was so saddened to hear of Joe’s passing. I had the privilege of working alongside him at Ridge Hill Memorial Park starting 36 years ago, and he was truly one of the good ones. Joe was always kind, dependable, and took great pride in his work - consistently going above and beyond to serve families with care and dignity. Although I’ve been in Texas and haven’t worked with him in over 10 years, I will always remember him fondly and appreciate the many funerals we worked together over the years. He made a lasting impression on everyone who had the honor of knowing him. Rest peacefully, Joe. You will not be forgotten. With fond memories, Tina Springs (formerly Tina Dovin)

Tina Springs - April 14 at 08:06 PM



“ LCSO road patrol Lieutenants & Sergeants planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joseph Bandagski Jr.

LCSO road patrol Lieutenants & Sergeants - April 13 at 02:29 PM

LS

“ LCSO road patrol Lieutenants & Sergeants purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Joseph Bandagski Jr.



LCSO road patrol Lieutenants & Sergeants - April 13 at 02:29 PM

LB

“ My thoughts and prayers are with your entire family.
Lisa Bandagski

Lisa BANDAGSKI - April 13 at 08:34 AM

DP

“ Thoughts and prayers to the Bandagski family. Big Joe was a great husband, father, and friend. I had the pleasure of having his kids in school as a Coach and administrator. The apple did not fall far from the tree.
Dan Parent

Daniel Parent - April 13 at 06:28 AM

MB

Prayers at this time of grief 🙏 Joe you were kind caring & loving. No matter who you came in contact with. Thank you for being part of Sheffield Township Family. You are missed Margie Rico-Bischoff

Margie Rico Bischoff - April 13 at 12:56 PM

JT

“ I worked with Joe but to me his name was papa bear we had some good times together at the cemetery he always treated me like I was part of his family the world lost a good one I'm truly sorry to the family it's a sad sad Day

Jeffery Traster - April 12 at 11:11 PM

DP

“ He wasn't just our uncle—he was someone who showed up, someone who cared, someone who made life a little better just by being in it.

His strength, his laughter, and the way he loved his family will never be forgotten. Even in the quiet moments, his presence spoke loudly—through kindness, through stories, through the way he made people feel.

*Though he is no longer with us, the impact he made remains.
In the memories we share...
In the lessons he left behind...
And in the love that still surrounds us.*

He may be gone from our sight, but never from our hearts.

Danny Parsons - April 12 at 10:54 PM