



## Michael Joseph Valentine Jr

April 18, 1981 - November 5, 2024

Edwards County Circuit Judge, The Honorable Michael Joseph Valentine, Jr., 43, passed away on November 5, 2024, at his residence in Edwards County, Illinois.

He was born on April 14, 1981 in Chicago, Illinois, to Michael J. Valentine Sr. and Marilyn (Jablonowski) Valentine.

Michael earned his law degree at Southern Illinois University. He was elected State's Attorney in Edwards County, Illinois, serving 8 years before being elected Circuit Judge for Edwards County. He was a Chicago EMT prior to becoming a lawyer. He was a member of the Albion Fire Department, Heritage Lodge 356, and the Albion Moose Lodge. Michael was a member of the Illinois State Bar Association, the Illinois Judges Association, and was also a Drug Court Judge. He was of Catholic Faith. He will be remembered as a good and fair judge, who helped many he served. Most of all, he was a loving son and a loving father.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael (Marilyn) Valentine Sr.; his children, daughter Mia Rose Valentine and son Michael Joseph Valentine III; an uncle, Robert Valentine; and an aunt, Carol Summerfeld; and 3 cousins. He also leaves behind many in his community, colleagues, co-workers and friends who cherish his memory.

Michael's visitation is scheduled for Sunday, November 17, 2024, located at Kerry Funeral Home, 7020 West 127th Street, Palos Heights, Illinois 60463, from 2:00 until 7:00 p.m. The funeral mass will take place the following day, Monday, November 18, 2024, at Our Mother of Good Counsel Church, 16043 South Bell Road, Homer Glen, Illinois 60491, beginning at 11:00 a.m. His burial will conclude services at Good Shepherd Catholic Cemetery & Mausoleum, 16201 104th Avenue, Orland Park, Illinois 60467. The family is cordially inviting family and friends to a Memorial Luncheon at Papa Joe's Italian Restaurant, 14459 LaGrange Road, Orland Park, Illinois 60462, following the funeral services.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to Palacz Funeral Service, Ltd.

Services: Sunday, November 17, 2024 & Monday, November 18, 2024

Visitation: 2:00 - 7:00 p.m. Sunday, November 17, 2024

Kerry Funeral Home

7020 West 127th Street

Palos Heights, Illinois 60463

(708) 361-4235 <https://www.kerryfh.com/>

Chapel Prayers: 10:00 a.m. Monday, November 18, 2024

Kerry Funeral Home

7020 West 127th Street

Palos Heights, Illinois 60463

(708) 361-4235

Funeral Mass: 11:00 a.m. Monday, November 18, 2024

Our Mother of Good Counsel Church

16043 South Bell Road

Homer Glen, Illinois 60491

(708) 301-6246

Interment: 12:30 p.m. Monday, November 18, 2024

Good Shepherd Catholic Cemetery & Mausoleum

16201 104th Avenue

Orland Park, Illinois 60467

(708) 226-9951

Funeral Luncheon: 1:30 p.m. Monday, November 18, 2024

Papa Joe's Italian Restaurant

14459 LaGrange Road

Orland Park, Illinois 60462

(708) 403-9099