



Jesse J. Atilano

December 30, 1951 - August 1, 2025

Jesse J. Atilano, age 73, passed away peacefully on Friday, August 1, 2025. Beloved father of Brandon (Cecilia) Atilano, Jesse J. Jr (Carla Aguilar) Atilano, Simon (Aliya Camacho) Atilano and Charles Atilano; Proud grandpa of Jesse J III; Loving brother of Carmen Marose, Bonnie Ariel, Mark (Gina) Atilano; Fond uncle to Michelle Marose, Mike (Barbara) Marose, Vanessa (Dan) Medlin, Natalie (Nate) Wolfe and Jason (Stephanie) Atilano; Great uncle to Issac and Isabel Medlin, Jake and Micaela Marose and Jayden and Harper Atilano. He was preceded in death by his beloved parents, Jesse and Esther, and brother in-law Jim Ariel.

Jesse served and protected his community for 31 years as a Chicago Police Officer in the 10th district, retiring in 2005. Known for his creativity, humor, and fierce love for those close to him, he lived a life full of meaning and made a lasting impact on everyone who knew him.

He was a proud father and grandpa, devoted son and brother, and a dear uncle who was loved and cherished by many friends, cousins, aunts and uncles. Jesse leaves behind a legacy of strength, laughter, and love.

We welcome all who knew and loved him to join us in honoring his memory. Visitation is Thursday, August 7, 2025 from 4 PM to 8 PM at Foran Funeral Home, 7300 W. Archer Ave. (55th street just west of Harlem). Visitation at the funeral home on Friday, from 8:30 AM until time of prayers at 9:00 AM. We will go in procession from the funeral home to St. Mary of Perpetual Help Church (1039 W 32nd St, Chicago, IL 60608) for a 10 AM Mass. Jesse will be laid to

rest at St. Mary Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary Cemetery

87th Street & Hamlin Avenue
Evergreen Park, IL 60805

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 7. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Foran Funeral Home - Summit
7300 West Archer Ave
Summit, IL 60501
(708) 458-0208
contactus@foranfuneralhome.com
<https://www.foranfuneralhome.com/>

Visitation

AUG 8. 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM (CT)

Foran Funeral Home - Summit
7300 West Archer Ave
Summit, IL 60501
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Prayers

AUG 8. 9:00 AM (CT)

Foran Funeral Home - Summit
7300 West Archer Ave
Summit, IL 60501
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Mass

AUG 8. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary of Perpetual Help Church
1039 West 32nd Street
Chicago, IL 60608
(773) 927-6646

Tribute Wall



“ *Foran Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Jesse J. Atilano*



Foran Funeral Home - August 07, 2025 at 02:24 PM

CZ

My family owned My Mistake on 23rd & Damen where Jesse was like family. We will miss him, hopefully he's having a drink w the one we lost before him. Love you, The Turk family

cindy Zamayoa - September 25, 2025 at 12:50 AM

TF

“ *The Guptill Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Jesse J. Atilano.*



The Guptill Family - August 08, 2025 at 10:09 AM



“ 125 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Foran Funeral Home - August 07, 2025 at 01:56 PM

JN

“ Juan and Nathan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jesse J. Atilano.

Juan and Nathan - August 07, 2025 at 12:44 PM

JN

“ Juan and Nathan purchased the *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* for the family of Jesse J. Atilano.



Juan and Nathan - August 07, 2025 at 12:44 PM

BM

“ Jess, we've known each other since we were teens....we were family for 21 years, although we will always be family. We worked in the 10th District together for years. Please rest peacefully in the arms of the Lord.

Bill Marose - August 06, 2025 at 06:22 PM

PT

“ So very sorry to the family

Pam Trentz - August 06, 2025 at 02:13 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jesse J. Atilano.

August 06, 2025 at 12:52 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Jesse J. Atilano.



August 06, 2025 at 12:52 PM

SF

“ Scott, Missy Franczak & Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jesse J. Atilano.



Scott, Missy Franczak & Family - August 05, 2025 at 07:13 PM

“ We first met the Atilano family in 1956. I had returned from active duty in Okinawa and my wife, Juanita, had rented a second-floor 3-room apartment, for us, at 4445 S. Halsted Ave.

Jesse's parents, Jesse Sr. and Esther, owned the home and they lived on the first floor. Theresa and her husband, whose name I have forgotten, lived on the second floor back 4-room apartment. Tanzi Atilano and her husband, Jesse Sr.'s brother, whose name I have also forgotten, owned and lived next door at 4447 S. Halsted. From that time on we met the Calderon family, the Aguilar family and other clans.

We had many good times with the clans, and we became padrinos to some of the children. I do not remember who they are; my wife knew them as she remembered everything. My memory train left the station without me.

In 1958, we purchased our home at 3842 S. Archer Ave., and we hosted many parties in our large basement; the Calderons, Atilanos, Aguilars and others. Those were good times.

I only have one photo of a winter party circa 1960: the late Josephine Aguilar and my late cousin Jesse Roa.

But as time went by, we lost contact with everyone and the last gathering that I attended was about 8 years ago at Esther's home on Paulina (or is it, Wood?) The only one that I have kept in touch with is Dana Calderon because she and I share the same interests and we meet now and then at an event.

I hope to renew contact with some at the wake and funeral and correct the information herein.

It has been 10 years that my wife went to Heaven. I miss her so much.

View the tender video of our life. [Click on photo or copy/paste this](#)

link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IGc0CP67PUY&t=1008s>



Henry A. Roa - August 05, 2025 at 03:11 PM



“ Heartfelt and prayerful condolences from the Chicago Police Chaplains. Jesse will be remembered at the next Police Mass.

In the meantime, may family and friends know the healing touch of our all-loving, all-merciful God! [Police Chaplains Ministry: www.ChicagoPCM.org or 312/738-7588]



~ ~ Fr. Dan Brandt, CPD Chaplain - August 05, 2025 at 12:43 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jesse J. Atilano.



August 04, 2025 at 05:05 PM

CR

“ *Carol and Richard Rix purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Jesse J. Atilano.*



Carol and Richard Rix - August 03, 2025 at 05:56 PM