

PETITION FOR HONORARY STREET NAME APPLICATION - JOLIET

Name of Honoree: Les Cheney
(As it would appear on the street sign)

Proper Street Name: Mc Roberts St

Intersecting streets at each end of the street segment to be designated:

E Benton St

E Cass St

Please check all that apply and give a brief explanation of the applicable criteria. A street can be named for an individual, place or event.

☒ Individual

Exceptional involvement in an organization which made Joliet a better place

Les was first a member, then a past chairman, and finally the Executive Director of the Contractors Association of Will & Grundy Counties.

Place

Event

Cultural Impact to the City:

___ Historical impact to the City:

___ Humanitarian efforts:

☒ Close association with Joliet:

Les was a lifelong Joliet resident, born and raised here. Attended Joliet East High School, played sports. You cannot go anywhere in this town without meeting someone who either knew Les or was impacted by his work in the construction trades.

☒ Geographical relationship of the street to the area of interest of the nominee:

255 Mc Roberts was the place of business for L & M Concrete for many years, a company Les owned with his wife Maria

___ Responsible for an accomplishment of local, regional, national of international significance:

Petition indicating 50% of adjoining property owner approval of an honorary street name

As an adjoining property owner to the proposed honorary street name known as McRoberts St, I hereby approve of the honorary street name being proposed:

NAME

ADDRESS

DATE _____

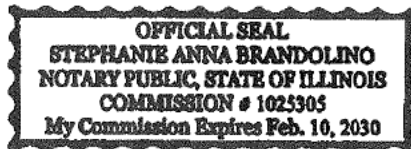
George Borunda

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[REDACTED] Attach additional sheets if necessary
I, [REDACTED], depose and say that the above statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I agree to be present in person or by representation when this petition is heard before the Joliet Land Use & Economic Development Committee.

Signature of Applicant: [REDACTED]

Date: 4/28/26



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28 day
of April 2026

[REDACTED]

Applicant's Address: [REDACTED]

Phone No. [REDACTED]

E-mail Address [REDACTED]

Submit completed form to:

City of Joliet
Planning Division
150 W. Jefferson Street
Joliet, IL 60432
Phone: (815)724-4050
Email: zoning@joliet.gov

City of Joliet Web Site: Joliet.gov

Current Resident
126 E. Benton Street
Joliet, IL 60432

Current Resident
255 McRoberts St
Joliet, IL 60432

Current Resident
257 McRoberts St
Joliet, IL 60432

Current Resident
209 McRoberts St
Joliet, IL 60432

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264 McRoberts St
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161 E Cass St
Joliet, IL 60432

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207 E Cass St
Joliet, IL 60432

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121 E Webster St
Joliet, IL 60432

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200 E Webster St
Joliet, IL 60432

Current Resident
201 E Webster St
Joliet, IL 60432

Notice to Adjoining Property Owners

Proposed Honorary Street Name: "Les Cheney Way"

Date: March 27, 2026

To: Adjoining Property Owner

From: Carla Montagano Liburdi

Address: 

Dear Neighbor,

This notice is to inform you of a proposal to designate an honorary street name, "**Les Cheney Way**," along the shared area of Mc Roberts St, between E. Benton and E Cass Streets. This honorary designation would recognize the long-standing service, positive impact, and community leadership that Les Cheney contributed to the neighborhood.

As part of the approval process, the City of Joliet requires support from adjoining property owners. Your signature of support will help demonstrate neighborhood agreement and allow the proposal to move forward.

A **support form** is included below. Please sign and return it in the **self-addressed envelope** provided. If you have any questions or would like additional information, feel free to contact me.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Carla Montagano Liburdi



Support Form / Formulario de Apoyo

Proposed Honorary Street Name / Nombre Honorario Propuesto:

“Les Cheney Way”

As an adjoining property owner to the proposed honorary street name known as Les Cheney Way, I hereby approve of the honorary street name being proposed:

Property Owner Name / Nombre del Propietario:

Property Address / Dirección de la Propiedad:

I support the proposed honorary street name. / Apoyo la designación honoraria propuesta.

☐ Yes / Sí

☐ No

Signature / Firma:

Date / Fecha: _____

Estimado(a) Vecino(a):

Este aviso tiene como propósito informarle sobre una propuesta para designar un nombre honorario a la calle: **"Les Cheney Way"**, a lo largo del tramo compartido de **Mc Roberts St, entre E. Benton y E. Cass Streets**. Esta designación honoraria busca reconocer el servicio de muchos años, el impacto positivo y el liderazgo comunitario que Les Cheney aportó al vecindario.

Como parte del proceso de aprobación, la **Ciudad de Joliet** requiere el apoyo de los propietarios colindantes. Su firma de apoyo ayudará a demostrar el acuerdo de la comunidad y permitirá que la propuesta avance.

A continuación se incluye un **formulario de apoyo**. Por favor fírmelo y devuélvalo en el **sobre con dirección incluida**. Si tiene alguna pregunta o desea más información, no dude en comunicarse conmigo.

Gracias por su tiempo y consideración.

Atentamente,

Carla Montagano Liburdi



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Proposed Honorary Street Name / Nombre Honorario Propuesto:

"Les Cheney Way"

As an adjoining property owner to the proposed honorary street name known as Les Cheney Way, I hereby approve of the honorary street name being proposed:

Property Owner Name / Nombre del Propietario:

Michael & Terrie Davis

Property Address / Dirección de la Propiedad:

[Redacted Address]

I support the proposed honorary street name. / Apoyo la designación honoraria propuesta.

☐ Yes / Sí

☒ No

Signature / Firma:

[Redacted Signature]

Date / Fecha: 4-14-2026

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"Les Cheney Way"

As an adjoining property owner to the proposed honorary street name known as Les Cheney Way, I hereby approve of the honorary street name being proposed:

Property Owner Name / Nombre del Propietario:

George Borunda

Property Address / Dirección de la Propiedad:

[Redacted Address]

I support the proposed honorary street name. / Apoyo la designación honoraria propuesta.

☒ Yes / Sí

☐ No

Signature / Firma:

[Redacted Signature]

Date / Fecha: 04.07.2026

About Les Cheney

- President of L & M Concrete, established in 1983 and known for their curb and gutter work. During its time, L&M employed cement masons, laborers, teamsters, operating engineers, carpenters, and ironworkers. His wife Maria was the company Treasurer.
- L&M joined the CAWGC in the fall of 2003,
- appointed to the Three Rivers Construction Alliance Board in 2005
- Volunteered to serve on the MARBA Cement Masons Craft Committee in April 2006.
- Awarded CAWGC Member of the Year in 2006
- Elected to his first 3-year term on CAWGC board of directors 2007, becoming Chariman of the board in 2009. He was re-elected for a second term as director in 2010. He resigned from the board one year later.
- Appointed trustee to Northern IL Cement Masons & Plasterers Joint Apprenticeship & Training Program in 2009
- OPCMIA Lake Co. Retirement Plan Trustee
- OPCMIA No. IL DC Cement Masons LMCC Trustee
- Carpenters LU #174 Pension Fund Trustee
- Ironworkers Mid-American Pension Fund & SMA Trustee
- Hired part-time as the CAWGC Ambassador in July 2016, became full-time Ambassador in January 2019.
- Promoted to Executive Director in July 2021, stepped back to a part time role as Director of Labor Relations in September 2023.
- Retired from CAWGC in June 2024

Les Cheney - from June 4, 2025 obituary:

Born and raised in Joliet, Les was a proud graduate of Joliet East High School's Class of 1975. He remained deeply rooted in the community he loved, giving back through both his professional work and personal passions.

Les was a dedicated member of Alcoholics Anonymous for 21 years—an organization that became a cornerstone of his life. Through his sobriety, he not only transformed his own life but helped guide and support countless others on their own journeys. His strength, humility, and quiet mentorship left a lasting mark on those who had the privilege of walking beside him.

He also gave his time generously as a YMCA board member and was active in the Old Timers Baseball Association, always staying connected to the people and places that mattered most to him.

Professionally, Les was a respected leader in the construction industry. He served as Executive Director of the Will Grundy Contractors Association, Concrete Superintendent for D Construction, Owner of L&M Concrete, Inc., and Les Cheney Concrete for over 40 years. A longtime board member and Executive Committee member of the Three Rivers Construction Alliance, was a 45-year member of Local 11 Cement Masons and served as Trustee on numerous labor and pension boards, including Northern IL Local 11 Cement Masons JATC, OPCMIA Lake Co. Retirement Savings Plan, OPCMIA Northern IL District Council Cement Masons LMCC, Carpenters 174 Pension, and the Ironworkers Mid-America Pension Fund SMA.

Beyond his accomplishments, Les will be remembered most for the love he shared with his family and friends. For 42 beautiful years, he shared his life with his beloved wife, Maria. Together, they raised five children and built a home filled with warmth, laughter, and unwavering support. Les had a gift for bringing people together—whether at Shannon Lake or around the dinner table. He was a charismatic host, always ready with a story, a joke, a smile, and a sense of humor that made everyone feel welcome.

