



Russell Sam Stabile

August 30, 1942 - March 8, 2026

STABILE, Russell Sam. March 8, 2026. Age 83. Beloved husband of Mary Lou (nee: Martin). Loving father of Susan Fiorillo (Steve), Karen Mulroy (Tom), Christine Stabile, and Robert Stabile (Chuck La Chance). Proud and loving Papa of Sean and Megan Mulroy and Maria and Paul Fiorillo. Dear brother of Anthony Stabile (Brenda) and the late Rosemary Ales (the late Pat). Russell was a vibrant soul whose competitive spirit and love for life made him truly one of a kind. An accomplished athlete, he excelled in football, track, hockey, and basketball, showcasing his fierce determination and passion for sports. Russell loved playing games, especially cards, where his playfully competitive nature created lasting bonds with family and friends. His love for cooking was equally profound. Russell cherished every moment spent at the table, creating meals and telling stories that brought people together. He always made sure that everyone had a place at the table, filling his home with warmth and laughter. He was happiest when he was surrounded by people he loved sharing a meal. With a natural gift for storytelling, Russell could light up any room. He loved people, food, and life itself, leaving behind a legacy of love, laughter, and unforgettable moments that will inspire all who knew him. A Mass to honor Russell's life will be said Thursday at 11am at St. Irenaeus Catholic Church, 771 Old Perch Rd. (N. of Avon, between Adams and Livernois), Rochester Hills. The family will receive guests in the church beginning at 10:30am. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the OPC Social & Activity Center of Rochester Hills (<https://opccenter.org/w>)

ays-to-give/) and would be appreciated. Please share memories with the family at their online guestbook at WujekCalcaterra.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

MAR 12. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Irenaeus Church
771 Old Perch Rd
Rochester Hills, MI 48309-2455

Mass

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Tribute Wall

KM

“ Mary Lou and family, your neighbor John introduced me to Russ and I came by a couple of times in the last year to visit with him and hear his stories about Detroit history. I was touched by his spirit and his sense of humor. I feel so lucky that I was able to hear those old stories and see the old neighborhoods through his eyes. Our conversations in your kitchen and on your porch are precious memories for me. I send my condolences to you all. Russ was a bright spark and I'm sure that he will be deeply missed.
Karla Mallette

Karla Mallette - March 14 at 09:32 AM

MD

“ Mary Lou and family,

I was very sorry to hear about Russ's passing. He had such an incredible sense of humor — he always had a way of making me laugh. He was truly one of those people you feel lucky to have known. I'm sorry I wasn't able to be there, as I was out of town, but please know I've been thinking of you all.

Love and prayers,
Marianne Boyd Drescosky

Marianne Drescosky - March 12 at 03:12 PM

GK

“ I was able to FaceTime with my dear old friend while in the hospital a few times before Russ went to the Lord. He jokingly reminded me he hired me 50 years ago when no one else would. I reminded him of the time he sent me to the bank to make a deposit. When I was ready to leave he stuffed a good size bag full of money down the front of my pants and walked into the bank with this large bulge. Russ was a very generous, caring person who would always bring a smile to your face. Yes, he loved to stir the pot but it was never with malice. I will always remember our FaceTime before his passing and he asked if my wife Martha and I would pray over him. It was an exceptionally moving time and the next day he let us know how appreciative he was. This will be my forever memory. Glenn Keller

Glenn Keller - March 12 at 01:15 PM

RG

“ Our sincere condolences to the Stabile families. Rita, Barry, Téana & Tobia Graziani.

rita graziani - March 11 at 11:32 PM

MS

“ Russ was my oldest cousin. One time in my early teens, I was doing a sleepover with Rosemary (his baby sister), and we were sitting with Grandpa watching TV. Suddenly Russ walked in from outside, looked at me and said; "Come on, I'm take you girls for a ride in my convertible"! Ro whispered, he just got it and wants to show it off, but, I was so excited. We ran out to the car and jumped in the back seat, Mary Lou was already waiting patiently in the front seat and off we went. Russ drove two 13 year old girls around with the radio blasting as our hair flew everywhere. I felt so grownup and "cool". Thank you Russ for always being generous and caring, showing me and our whole family so much love. Until we meet again, be at peace in Love. You will always be loved! Roseann (Lupo) Swink and Mike Swink.

Mike and Roseann Swink - March 11 at 10:22 PM

KE

“ Russell always talked about athletics and sports many times, with a tilt to those athletes of Italian heritage. One of his favorites was “THE GREAT ZAMPERINI” and woebe to those unfamiliar with Zamperine or other Italian athletes. I’m sure he would be delighted know that the Italian baseball team just beat the American team at the World Baseball championship. I bet he was one of the few who even knew Italy had a baseball team. Rest in peace my friend.

Keith - March 11 at 03:26 PM

JL

“ Russell & Mary Lou went to the same high school as I did. I remember Russell being on the football team and Mary Lou being a cheerleader. They were a perfect couple in high school. We attended many reunions together and always had so much fun reminiscing about the times of our high school. Russell always had a smile and a little funny story to tell us which I always really enjoyed. He will be missed by his many friends and family but now he is resting in the arms of our good Lord. God bless you, Russell and all your family members.

judi (Sprecher) Little - March 11 at 11:01 AM

CA

“ I first met Russ in the Denby High School cafeteria many, many years ago. I have had the privilege of calling him my friend since then. I will treasure the times spent with him, listening to his stories, and enjoying his delicious meals. Russ was generous, kind, and it was a joy to be around him. He will never be forgotten. We send our love to Mary Lou and the entire Stabile Family. Caryl and Russ Anton

Caryl Anton - March 11 at 08:11 AM

RR

“ Ryan Endress and Gil Reid planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Russell Sam Stabile.

Ryan Endress and Gil Reid - March 10 at 05:54 PM

RR

“ Ryan Endress and Gil Reid purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Russell Sam Stabile.



Ryan Endress and Gil Reid - March 10 at 05:54 PM

GC

“ I played one of the most intense games of euchre in my life against Russ. He destroyed me that night and enjoyed every minute of it. The thought of that game has and will always put a smile on my face.

George Christenson - March 10 at 05:05 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Russell Sam Stabile.



March 10 at 04:51 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Russell Sam Stabile.



March 10 at 04:14 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Russell Sam Stabile.

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“ The Lang family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Russell Sam Stabile.



The Lang family - March 10 at 03:36 PM



“ Kimberly & Ken Brzozowski purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Russell Sam Stabile.



Kimberly & Ken Brzozowski - March 10 at 02:51 PM



“ I am so sorry for the loss of Russ... he always lit up the room and I have so many good memories of him at Pinebrook, camping trips, and just hanging around the Stabile house. Love to the family.

Tim Fitzpatrick - March 10 at 02:36 PM



“ The Petersons planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Russell Sam Stabile.

The Petersons - March 10 at 01:56 PM

TP

“ *The Petersons purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Russell Sam Stabile.*



The Petersons - March 10 at 01:56 PM