



Thomas William Russell

May 27, 1944 - June 30, 2019

Thomas William Russell passed away on June 30, 2019. He was born on May 27, 1944 in Old Forge, New York to parents Robert W. Russell and Beulah Monks Russell. Beloved husband of many years to Ellen Mary (Morse) Russell, they resided in Montgomery, Texas. He is survived by his children, Edythe Russell (Steve Schmalz), Thomas Russell (Janenne), Scott Russell, and Courtney Russell Magill (Jeffrey). He leaves behind his adored grandchildren, Melissa and Abigail Schmalz, Maggie Sage Russell, Thomas Russell, and Caroline Grace, Claire Elizabeth, and Catherine Mary Magill.

Tom was a dedicated family man, a business man and entrepreneur, and a lover of classic cars. He loved to spend time with his grandchildren, and spent his later years traveling with them, fishing, and playing cards.

He is survived by his brothers, Kenneth and Eugene Russell, and predeceased by his brothers Pete and James Russell. He will be deeply missed.

Services will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Plantersville, Texas on July 6th at 2pm. Reception to follow. In lieu of flowers, Masses or donations in his memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Affiliate in Baton Rouge, Louisiana at: www.giffunds.stjude.org/ThomasRussell

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

JUL 6. 2:00 PM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church
Plantersville, TX 77363

Tribute Wall



“ *Thomas William Russell*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *I was a 5th grader when Tom and my sister Ellen began dating. Tom's generosity of spirit to this little middle-schooler will remain in my heart forever. Tom was a great parent and also Uncle to Phil who eagerly looked forward to seeing him whenever possible. Gone too soon, may Tom rest in God's loving arms basking in the powerful light and love he gave his family and those of us lucky enough to have been loved by him.*

Diane Comolli - July 05, 2019 at 11:48 AM

GB

“ I had the pleasure of knowing Tom as a brother-in-law since 1972. Many memories abound involving working on a house, Holiday get togethers, sharing a good joke, or just hanging out, playing some cards and talking cars. I once asked Tom what my next car should be and without blinking an eye he said "Don't go anywhere, let me see what I have on the lot!"

Tom was a kind, quiet yet spirited man, always placing his family first. A protective sort as well as one day when his son was little, he came to Tom saying "Daddy, Brandy (a very large Newfoundland dog) is in our front yard". It was midday and Tom took a look and Brandy turned out to be a bear! Well that was taken care of and the game warden was promptly called.

There are many other great memories that will stay with me and I only had the pleasure of seeing Tom two, three maybe four times a year when they lived in Old Forge. I cannot fathom all the memories that his immediate family must have and can share with each other now and throughout the future. Remember the good times and be comforted. Tom was a gentleman, a quiet, sincere gentleman who will be missed by many. He certainly earned his place in Heaven.

G. Boys

Gary Boys - July 05, 2019 at 11:43 AM

BM

“ mr. Russell was dedicated to his family. He loved spending time with his grandchildren, and they loved him beyond description.

betty magill - July 03, 2019 at 10:56 PM

MS

“ My favorite memory of Tom is from a couple of years ago on Halloween. He rented a golf cart and decorated it for the occasion so that he could take his granddaughters trick-or-treating. Caroline had a broken arm at the time, and he wanted to make it easier for her to get around the neighborhood. I will remember Tom as a kind and living family man.

Michele Smith - July 03, 2019 at 10:35 PM

KA

“ I offer my heartfelt sympathy to Tom's entire family during this sorrowful time. Tom was a good and kind man whose devotion to his family was unwavering. I pray that memories of happy times will sustain you during the difficult days and months ahead and that you will be surrounded by the love and warmth of family and friends. You remain in my thoughts and prayers.

Karen Anderson - July 03, 2019 at 10:18 PM

CM

“ Grampa, one of my favorite memories is your delicious Italian cooking! Thank you for sharing with me some of your favorite recipes! I know you are in a very beautiful place filled with peace and happiness. I love you so much and you will be dearly missed.

Love, Caroline

Caroline Magill - July 03, 2019 at 03:55 PM

CM

“ Dear, Grampa! I miss you so, so very, very much! I am going to miss being your little helper! I will miss helping you carry your machine and giving you your water and cookies and getting your phone, and I will also miss playing cards , going fishing, and having fun with you! I hope you are having a great time in Heaven. I miss and I love you so, so very, very much!

Love,
Claire

Claire Magill - July 03, 2019 at 03:35 PM

JM

“ Tom always put others' needs before his own. He never stopped giving. He truly exemplified what it means to be Christ-like. He was always optimistic, no matter the situation. Tom was the best father-in-law anyone could ever ask for.

Jeff Magill - July 03, 2019 at 03:23 PM

CM

“ Hello Grampa! I wish you didn't have to go to Heaven right now. But, I guess Jesus needed you. I miss you so much! I hope you are riding Test Track and buying a 1957 Chevy. I will see you in about 85 years. I miss you terrible.

Love,
Catherine

Catherine Magill - July 03, 2019 at 03:21 PM