



## Richard J. Russo

June 25, 1937 - May 24, 2018

After a long illness, Richard Russo of Casselberry, FL was called home to the Lord on Thursday, May 24, 2018.

Richard was born in Newark, NJ on June 25, 1937, the youngest child of six children. After his family moved to Miami, he graduated from Miami Edison High School. He served in the United States Air Force, and later earned a degree from Rollins College. He worked at the Kennedy Space Center, and as a social worker for the State of Florida. He served his community as a member of the PTA, the Local School Advisory Committee, and the Seminole County Democratic Executive Committee. He was also twice elected as a Councilman for the City of Casselberry.

Richard was a humble man who was always able to find the good in everyone and everything. Even his beloved Miami Dolphins.

A longtime parishioner of St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church in Altamonte Springs, Richard's life was guided by his faith, and his love for his family.

Richard will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 46 years, Corinne, and his children, Diane (Steve) and John (Holly). He will also be fondly remembered by his three grandsons Maximilian, Alexander, and Leo, by his brothers Jerry (Shirley) and Gene (Ann), and by numerous beloved nieces, nephews, and

cousins. Richard was predeceased by his parents, and his sisters Anna, Noma, and Agnes.

A funeral Mass will be held on Friday, June 1 at 1:30 pm, at St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church in Altamonte Springs.

Interment will follow at Glen Haven Memorial Park in Winter Park.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests Memorial donations be made to the PKD Foundation at [www.pkdcure.org](http://www.pkdcure.org).

# Previous Events

## Funeral Mass

JUN 1. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church  
861 Maitland Avenue  
Altamonte Springs, FL 32701  
(407) 831-1212  
<http://www.stmarymagdalen.org>

## Graveside Service

JUN 1. 2:45 PM - 3:30 PM (ET)

Glen Haven Memorial Park  
2300 Temple drive  
Winter Park, FL 32789

# Tribute Wall

JD

“ My name is Jacqueline Ducksworth. I worked with Mr. Russo as his supervisor. He was very kind, friendly, loved helping others. I am glad I knew him. He loved this family dearly. R.I.P Mr. Russo.

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**Jacqueline Ducksworth** - January 13, 2019 at 12:29 PM

SS

“ I was saddened to learn of the loss of your beloved husband, father and grandfather.

I know my mother, Sue Stranscak would have wanted to express her condolences so I am expressing condolences on behalf of Sue (dec'd 9/29/2018, age 90), myself, Sandy Stranscak and my sister Donna Maminskas and brother Frank Stranscak - all former neighbors of Corinne and her parents on Traymore Ave in Brooklyn, OH. Life takes us in all different directions but childhood memories of neighborhood friends stay with us forever. I wish you and your entire family much Peace.

A faithful life well-lived, successful family and dear friends is his wonderful legacy.

Sincerely,  
Sandra S. Stranscak

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**Sandra S Stranscak** - October 19, 2018 at 07:37 PM

DS

“ I know that Richard will be greatly missed by all who loved him, and those who had the great pleasure of knowing him. I taught CCD at St. Mary Magdalen for Kindergartners for many years. I met alot of families over the years. But, I will never forget Richard and Corrine, and their wonderful children Diane and John. Richard was so kind, and funny and caring. What a wonder ful dad. I am so blessed to have known this very special family. My prayers are with all of you.

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**Debra Smith** - June 01, 2018 at 12:55 PM

 John  
Duncan

“ *I'm so heartbroken right now. I simply can not believe Uncle Richard is gone from us. I have so many fond memories with him and Aunt Corinne. He was such a wonderful, loving Uncle and I'm so thankful for the time I was able to have with him. Whenever I was able to visit in July I was able to spend some time with Uncle Richard and the last moment we got to share was him engulfing me in a signature Russo hug, so reminds me of my dad's hugs, and telling me how wonderful it was to see me, how proud he was of me, and how much he loved me. I will miss him terribly, but I will hold all of the love and memories in my heart.*

*Love your great niece,  
Mary*

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**John Duncan** - May 29, 2018 at 01:57 PM

RL

“ *It is with great sadness that I write this as Uncle Richard was irreplaceable in our family, always a pleasure to be with. I have years of great memories growing up with him, we did so many things together, he made even the simplest event fun. I will remember and miss him always. P.S. Thanks for Elvis.*

*Your nephew,  
Robert Lisandrillo*

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**Robert Lisandrillo** - May 28, 2018 at 07:48 PM

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**Robert Lisandrillo** - May 28, 2018 at 09:46 AM

KC

“ Though we saw Dick and Corrine not too long ago, it was good to see him and now I know that meeting was ment to be. We will be there to send him off and to be there for you Corrine, Diane and John.

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**kathy crowell** - May 27, 2018 at 02:44 PM

GD

“ I was sorry to hear about Richard's death. I worked with him at KSC for a number of years. He was always an enthusiastic and helpful co-worker. Sending my thoughts and prayers to the family.

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**Gary Daigle** - May 27, 2018 at 08:15 AM