



## Russell S. Morfino

January 1, 1935 - May 4, 2025

Russell S. Morfino, of Warren, passed away peacefully in his sleep, on Sunday, May 4, 2025, at the age of 90. He was born January 1, 1935, in Detroit, Michigan, to the late Sebastiano and Girolama Morfino. Beloved husband of Veronica Morfino. Dearest father of Gina Morfino, Marisa Mirabile, and Laura (Vaso) Berishaj and step-father of Renee (Josh) Maly, and Rebecca Brookens. Loving grandfather of Griffin (Krystyn), Sabrina, Gabriella, Sofia, Santino, Blaine, Nicholas, Cordelia, Megan, Zooey, and Meghan and great-grandfather of Emarosa, Sequioa, and Lorenzo Russell. Dear brother of the late Vincent (the late Ilene) Morfino and the late Joanna LaSala. Also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, family members, and friends.

God blessed Russell with over 90 years in his life, and even at 90 years old, you could often find him discussing current events and telling endless stories of the old days and his many trips and experiences around the world. From growing up in the old neighborhood in Detroit, to working at his parents' meat market grocery store, overachieving in athletics in his high school days, or recounting when he joined the Army as an Artillery Man and was stationed out of Delta Junction, AK, he cherished sharing these stories and memories with his loved ones, with a smile on his face and joy in his eyes. After being honorably discharged from the Army (where he earned his Golden Gloves in boxing), Russell became a barber, eventually owning and operating his own shop; developed a passion for hunting and being outdoors which led to him

becoming a Champion Skeet & Trap Shooter as well as serving as President of the Richmond Sporting Club; got married, and raised 3 beautiful girls (accompanied by a whole heap of grandkids!). He found the love of his life and spent his final days reliving it all with those who loved to spend time with him and hear his stories.

Russell was also not your typical 90 year old. Sure, many people may say 90 years is a long and fruitful life, but at 90, Russell wasn't ready to quit living life! 'Father Time' never slowed him down, and often he would make his wife Veronica ride shotgun just so he could drive to family get togethers! Russell truly personified unconditional love; no matter what the circumstances were or discomfort he may have been in, he never let it ruin his day and would continue to let his smile, personality, and heart of gold brighten the days of others.

Though Russell's passing leaves us with great sorrow, when we are able to look back at the 90 years he shared with us, the memories can't help but put a smile on your face and fondly make you think, "Boy! What A Legend That Man Was!"

Family and friends will gather on Saturday, May 17, 2025, from 10:30 a.m. until an 11 a.m. Memorial Mass at St. Pio of Pietrelcina Catholic Church, 18720 E. Thirteen Mile Road (at Kelly Road) Roseville.

# Previous Events

## Family and Friends Gathering

MAY 17. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Pio of Pietrelcina Catholic Church  
18720 13 Mile Road  
Roseville, MI 48066

## Memorial Mass

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# Tribute Wall

JH

“ Russ was my barber for almost 40 years on both Harper and Mack. He was an unforgettable character and I considered him a friend. I just found out today that he passed and am sad that I'll never get to talk to him again.

*RIP Russ...I'll miss you.*

*Joe Herbertson*

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**Joe Herbertson** - September 18, 2025 at 12:55 PM



“ R.I.P. Russ. You taught me how to shoot trap. Thank you for making me a squad Captain. Love always my friend.

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**Andrew Wiseley** - June 07, 2025 at 04:39 PM

AH

“ Russell, was a Great friend. He cut my hair shot our guns together at the clubs, carpeted an tile that shop many times talk about life always called me AL UBEAR WHAT A GREAT PERSON HE WAS WE'LL REMEMBER RUSS GREAT TIMES REST IN PEACE MY FRIEND

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**Al Hubert** - May 21, 2025 at 12:40 AM

PA

“ Getting a haircut from Russ was a haircut and a school lesson wrapped up into 1, As a starving young painter, he even let me paint the front of the barber shop on Harper! Rest in peace Russ! An east English village legend!

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**Paul** - May 18, 2025 at 09:02 PM

TI

“ Prayers to all grieving the loss of Russell. He was always positive and upbeat with such a warm, engaging smile. He always treated my daughters as an extension of his family in his home. Peace, Russell. You were a good man.

Tim - May 17, 2025 at 09:57 AM

BS

“ Becky (Forbes) and Louie Stancato purchased the Love's Journey for the family of Russell S. Morfino.



Becky (Forbes) and Louie Stancato - May 15, 2025 at 12:48 PM

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“ Becky (Forbes) and Louie Stancato planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Russell S. Morfino.

Becky (Forbes) and Louie Stancato - May 15, 2025 at 12:48 PM

LD

“ Leon & Brenda Dupek purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Russell S. Morfino.



Leon & Brenda Dupek - May 15, 2025 at 09:22 AM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Russell S. Morfino.



May 14, 2025 at 10:51 AM



“ The Kluger/Boscarino Family purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Russell S. Morfino.



The Kluger/Boscarino Family - May 13, 2025 at 01:50 PM



“ The Kluger/Boscarino Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Russell S. Morfino.

The Kluger/Boscarino Family - May 13, 2025 at 01:50 PM



“ We loved visiting Russell and Veronica and gabbing with Russell! He was so intelligent and always so welcoming with open arms!!! We love you Russell and will miss you so much, our lives will never be the same without you!

Terry and Chris Miller - May 09, 2025 at 11:16 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Russell S. Morfino.



May 08, 2025 at 09:23 PM



“ What the treasure of a man. He was my barber for years and even gave my son's their first haircut.

Jeff Ortiz - May 08, 2025 at 05:57 AM



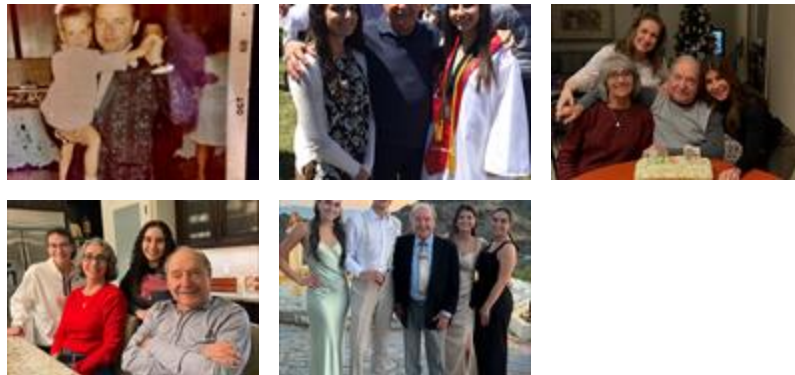
“ Marvin, Cindy and Family purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Russell S. Morfino.



Marvin, Cindy and Family - May 07, 2025 at 08:08 PM



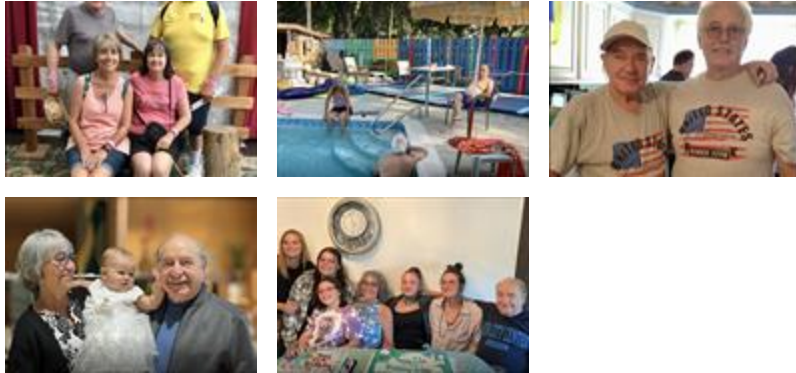
“ 11 files added to the tribute wall



Marisa Mirabile - May 05, 2025 at 11:25 PM

DD

“ 8 files added to the tribute wall



D. DeMarc - May 05, 2025 at 10:31 PM

DD

*Sharing special times with Russell and Ronnie. Russell you will be missed and never forgotten. R.I.P.  
Our condolences to you Ronnie and all his family and friends.  
Don & Doreen*

D. DeMarc - May 05, 2025 at 10:40 PM

DK

*So sorry for your loss he was a great guy.*

Dave khoury - May 06, 2025 at 09:04 AM

MR

“ *Hi Marisa so sorry to hear of your dad's passing. May he rest in peace Mary Lou R.*



Mary Lou rodziczak - May 05, 2025 at 05:07 PM

KF

“ Ken F. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Russell S. Morfino.

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Ken F. - May 05, 2025 at 04:54 PM