



Michael Anthony Russo

April 18, 1974 - March 28, 2018

Age 43. Beloved son of Joseph Russo and Lisa (Mark Brueggeman) Batura-Brueggeman. Loving companion of Lisa Ocelnik. Dear father of Madison Russo and Zoe Russo. Brother of Jason (Lesley) Russo and Joseph Russo. Survived by his grandmother Agatha Russo.

Michael served in the United States Marine Corp. from 2001-2005 of which he was discharged honorably as a Lance Corporal.

In addition to being a patriot, Michael was also an avid gardener, skilled auto mechanic and enjoyed his time with his "therapy rabbits", Frank and Bob. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to the Wounded Warrior Project (<https://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/donate>) or 22 Until None (<https://www.22untilnone.org/donate>) to help other Veterans combat PTSD and suicide.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Rd
Holly, MI 48442

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 4. 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Mandziuk & Son Funeral Directors, Inc. - Sterling Heights
3801 18 Mile Road
Sterling Heights, MI 48314
(586) 997-3838

Instate

APR 5. 9:00 AM (ET)

St Blase Catholic Church
12151 15 mile Road
Sterling Heights, MI 48310

Mass of the Christian Burial

APR 5. 9:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Mike used to rent my dyno to test and tune his customers turbo Chryslers. He was very funny, smart and a positive guy to do business with. It's sad to see what happened. I remember him talking about the issues with the city. He always seemed very confident that he was going to beat them. I hope that his daughters read this some day and see that he was a good man who worked hard for his family. RIP Mike

Jan niemi - July 11, 2025 at 08:18 PM



“ Michael Anthony Russo

October 23, 2023 at 04:00 AM



“ Michael Anthony Russo

January 06, 2023 at 05:24 AM

GC

“ I just noticed this obituary and am so saddened to hear the news of Mike's passing. I met Mike when he owned MRX motors. He was a highly skilled mechanic and a true professional. I have a rather unique car. Mike was the only one I would feel comfortable with working on my car. The care and attention to detail he displayed was so impressive. I remember once Mike told me that it was an honor to have worked on my car. No, Michael, it was an honor to have you work on my car and an honor to have known you! I did try to reach out to Mike a number of times over the last few years but was unsuccessful. I'm so sorry that I didn't try harder to reach you. My deepest condolences to the family. May your memory be eternal.

George Calvert - June 04, 2018 at 12:48 PM

MO

“ Matt Oliver sent a virtual gift in memory of Michael Anthony Russo



Matt Oliver - April 05, 2018 at 10:28 AM

CF

“ I remember Mike for elementary to our mischief days of high school. Wish for the best for the family.

Chris finn - April 04, 2018 at 08:23 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Russo.*



April 03, 2018 at 09:38 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Russo.*



April 03, 2018 at 12:55 PM

MK

“ *This is a poem about time: written by Maria Klepach*

*Today is short.
Tomorrow is closer;
Yet longer away.
Put aside the time
and step into the present.
Presently you are,
YOU are - ALIVE!
Would you take it,
stand to embrace it...
so quickly as you take
in your first morning breath?
The morning breath is
so sweet, so crisp-
Cherish it because that's
the first and only time given.
Give two breaths back as you:
YOU should.
Give back and enjoy
to give - beat the time!
Do not squander it -
be ahead!
Stay awake, stay up,
Stay on the clock.*

This is for you.

Maria Klepach - April 02, 2018 at 06:31 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Russo.*



April 02, 2018 at 11:07 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michael Anthony Russo.*



April 01, 2018 at 03:04 PM