



Russell E. Cramer

February 17, 1943 - July 31, 2016

Age 73.

Beloved husband of Joan.

Dearest father of Cheri (Michael) Bushman and Bonnie (John) Gelfusa.

Cherished grandfather of Dennis, David, Isabella and Giovanni.

Adored great grandfather of Claire.

Russell was a retired Deputy Chief of the Clinton Township Fire Department and a member of the Motor City Packard's since 1976.

Russ and his wife Joan enjoyed traveling in their RV and golfing at every stop.

In lieu of flowers, family asks to have donations made out to Hospice of Michigan or the Packard Motor Car Foundation.

Tribute Wall



“ *Russell E. Cramer*

October 23, 2023 at 04:00 AM



“ *Russell E. Cramer*

January 06, 2023 at 05:24 AM



“ *Russ always seemed to have a smile on his face. My deepest sympathies to Joan and her family.*

George Sam

George Sam - August 03, 2016 at 01:46 PM



“ *Joel and Marilyn Dennison purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Russell E. Cramer.*



Joel and Marilyn Dennison - August 03, 2016 at 11:57 AM



“ *Love XO - Jerry and Carol purchased the Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." for the family of Russell E. Cramer.*



Love XO - Jerry and Carol - August 03, 2016 at 11:24 AM

LK

“ Russ was our Florida "good humor man". He was always upbeat and fun to be around.
There were few dull moments when in his company. Never had to ask him what he had for dinner...he always wore it on his shirt. Knowing him as we did, we can't help but think he did it purposely just to string us along. We sure will miss him! Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family, Joan. Les & Trudy

Les Klein - August 03, 2016 at 11:20 AM

DF

“ Damon & Laura Ferraiuolo purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Russell E. Cramer.



Damon & Laura Ferraiuolo - August 02, 2016 at 08:53 PM

DC

“ Russ & Joan took photos at our Packard outdoor wedding 29 years ago. He later surprised us with a coffee mug & tee shirt with our wedding photo on it. Not an easy task as it was before personal computers. He was just that thoughtful.
Many fond memories of Russ through the the years. Don said, "he was one of the most easy going guys I ever met." He will truly be missed.
Joan, may your memories comfort you & your family in the days to come.
Don & Joni Curtis ❤️❤️
Texas

Don & Joni Curtis - August 02, 2016 at 05:52 PM

BO

“ Our condolences to the Cramer family!!! You are in our thoughts and prayers!!!! God Bless

Bruce and Judy Olson - August 02, 2016 at 03:28 PM

WO

“ With deepest sympathy, Julie O'Connell purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Russell E. Cramer.



With deepest sympathy, Julie O'Connell - August 02, 2016 at 12:25 PM

PC

“ My wife and I joined the Packard Club in 1984. Russ and Joan were among the many smiling faces that always greeted us at meetings and events.

Russ always had a wonderful sense of humor and was always a pleasure to be with. I will always remember riding in the back seat of his Clipper as he drove along.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Joan and the entire Cramer family at this time. Russ will be badly missed by us all.

Pat and Carolyn Connell - August 02, 2016 at 10:36 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Russell E. Cramer.*



August 01, 2016 at 11:10 PM



“ *We have been truly blessed to know Russ and Joan for over 30 years primarily as a result of our shared adventures with Motor City Packards and its members. We have travelled together, attended meets and various events together for many years and it just will not be the same without Russ. Russ was one of the most caring and generous individuals we have ever known and he spent a great deal of his time volunteering and helping other people. He dealt with his final illness with dignity and he fought the good fight. We carry with us many great memories and our thoughts are with Joan, Cheri, Bonnie and their families. The world was a much better place with Russ in it.*

John and Gail MacArthur - August 01, 2016 at 01:07 PM



“ *The Florida Cedar Pointe "Rag Tags"; Trudy and Les Klein, Cookie and Ermanno Dedominicis, Joyce and Ron Rupp, Bobbie and Jim Sickles purchased the Amazing Arboricola for the family of Russell E. Cramer.*



The Florida Cedar Pointe "Rag Tags"; Trudy and Les Klein, Cookie and Ermanno Dedominicis, Joyce and Ron Rupp, Bobbie and Jim Sickles - August 01, 2016 at 11:32 AM

JR

“ Dear Joan and family: We are so sorry for the loss of your dear husband ,and all of you are in our thoughts and prayers. We have many fond memories of fun times with you and Russ, golfing, playing cards, parties, etc. Russ was always a "hoot," and gave us plenty of laughs. We often remember some of his sayings like the house guests and ripe banana rule. He will be forever in our hearts.
Love, Joyce & Ron

Joyce & Ron Rupp - August 01, 2016 at 10:38 AM

CY

Joan and Russ are friends and former neighbors of ours for over 40+ years. We will cherish and remember all the good times at parties or just sitting out on the drive way with other neighbors (Frank Frontiero-Fran-Georgine). Joan we are so sorry for your loss.
With Loving Remembrances of Russ
Joe & Carol Yasbeck

Carol Yasbeck - August 01, 2016 at 12:43 PM

JM

Knowing Russ in high school was so much fun. He was witty and fun and respectful of everyone. I was very hopeful when I talked to him at our 50th high school class reunion in 2011 about his cancer. Russ fought a tough battle. He will be remembered by many. He will be loved by everyone who knew him. RIP my dear friend.

Judy (Ercolani) MacKool - August 03, 2016 at 08:29 AM

DW

I knew Russ in high school through brother Jim. I had the honor of seeing Russ several times in the last two years at lunch with the (high school) guys. Russ is a fine person. Many blessings to family. Dave Workun

Dave Workun - August 03, 2016 at 12:42 PM