



Russell Walker

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Russell A. Walker, age 66, of North Ridgeville, passed away suddenly Monday, April 7, 2008.

He was born in Cleveland and had been a resident of North Ridgeville since 1985 moving from Cleveland.

Mr. Walker worked as a machine operator for General Motors Parma Plant retiring in 2004 after 41 years.

He was a member of St. Peter Catholic Church where he was active with the Holy Name Society, St. Vincent DePaul Society, prison ministry and also was active with the Lorain County Chapter AA.

He enjoyed editing and watching movies, traveling and family events, cooking and was dedicated to helping others.

Survivors include daughters, Sharron Walker of Cleveland, Nancy Fisk of Elyria, Susan Walker of Garfield Hts., Amy Walker of Elyria, Jennifer Walker of N. Ridgeville; sons, Wayne of Cleveland, John of N. Ridgeville, Dennis of Cleveland and Phillip of N. Ridgeville; seven grandchildren; sisters, Sylvia Ciereszewski and Patricia Krajewski both of Cleveland.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Helen Walker.

Friends may call Thursday from 2-4 and 7-9PM at the David Bogner Family Funeral Home, 36625 Center Ridge Road, N. Ridgeville. A prayer service will be held on Friday at 9:30AM in the funeral home followed by a 10:00 AM mass at St. Peter Church, 35777 Center Ridge Rd., N. Ridgeville. Fr. Stephen Kaminski, pastor, will be the celebrant.

Burial in St. Peter Cemetery, N. Ridgeville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Compass House, 1440 Lexington Ave., Lorain, OH 44052 or AA Lorain County Central Office, 577 Broadway Ave., Lorain, OH 44052.



Tribute Wall

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Patsy posted:

He was a good son. He was a good brother. He was a good father. He was a good grandfather. He was a good friend. He was loved. Forever in my heart. Patsy

April 15 at 8:00 PM



Dolly posted:

Russell, I will miss our talks, 1st Monday lunches, shopping for junk and lottery tickets, but most of all I'll miss you. Love Dolly

April 15 at 8:00 PM



Glenn Dumonthier posted:

My deepest sympathy to you and your family. Russ, was a pillar as a trusted servant. Being the worker bee he was and not one to stand around and let the work get or not get done. I can guess the Almighty had plans for Russ to be with Him now. He will be truly missed. One more reason to count our blessings for we never know when it will be time for us to move on to greener pastures. God Bless & Deepest Condolences, Glenn

April 9 at 8:00 PM



TS

Troy Smith posted:

russ always wanted me to write a poem for every ocaation here you are russ hope i did not disapoint you buddy.A MAN NAMED RUSS WALKER!ve met people that are doers and people that are talkers now let?s talk about a man his name is Russ Walker.Let?s talk about the things he did before he past. All of these things will most certainly last.He started committees for our great fellowship. He did that with deed and not just with lip.He would go in to prisons and in to the jail. They loved to see Russ even more than there mail.He would share with these men his experience, strength, and hope and most of them recovered from alcohol and dope.His commitment to service was out done by none. That?s easy to see by the things he has done.Now I sit here tonight with tears in my eyes and a heart full of woe.With this ache in my hart where should I go?I don?t feel like visiting so I guess I?ll stay home. I?ll do what Russ liked and I?ll write him a poem.Now these words that I write I?ll try to make rhyme. It?s really quit hard at this heart breaking time.I?ve lost a great mentor, brother and friend but for Russ it?s the beginning and not just the end.Now he?s up there in heaven because angels are slacking. Motivation it seems is what they are lacking. They forgot what to do they forgot about service. God got concerned he really got nerves. God needed a great doer and not just a talker. God thought it was time to call up Russ Walker.Now Russ is up there serving that great service board. That?s one great group conscience just Russ and the lord.Russ took his committees and he gave them to god. He looked and he grinned as he gave Russ a nod.I?ll get you some angels to do what you need. I?m so glad that I called you to help me to lead.Now the angels are all working to spread love of others and make us all act like sisters and brothers.So if you are feeling more spiritual and don?t really know whyJust thank Russ Walker and wipe that tear from your eye.We love you Russ May your committees always be full

April 7 at 8:00 PM

KA

Karenpeters posted:

Over the years Russ used to say great things to us that we all remember. Never get too hungry, angry, lonely or tired.Always pray always. Life isn't fair but it is still good. The the lessons you learn in the program will last you a lifetime. Life is really too short to waste time hating anyone.Remember we were all chosen to be here, and now we are going to make the best of it.

April 9 at 8:00 PM

AB

April Bosak posted:

I'am very devastated to hear this. I only knew him for a couple of years but in those years I grew to love him like a second father. Russ was a very healthy and active man. He was a busy guy and was there to help everyone in need. My condolences to all of his family.

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RB

Ray Bibbs posted:

As friends and co-workers of Russ' daughter Nancy Fisk, we send our heartfelt condolences to the Walker family and friends...Signed the General Motors Team Leaders: Ray Bibbs,Michelle Collins,Janet Klenotic,Sinisa Mikulcic,Donald Morcus,Steve Tasker,Roni Walend

April 9 at 8:00 PM

TF

Tim Fisk posted:

Grandpa its hard to believe that you're gone. You had a kind heart and you have left a great legacy to carry on your name. I'll love you forever and I hope that I can be a man like you were someday.

April 9 at 8:00 PM

ND

Nicole Dore' posted:

My condolences go out to the Russel family and my prayers are with you all at this difficult time.Russ has touched the lives of so many, including mine and he will be greatly missed.Our Father above has called him home;A wonderful man with a heart of gold.He has touched the lives of many with words of wisdom;Now he is safe up above in God's kingdom.In dying we must know that it isn't the end;For the time will come for us to see him again.In Christ,A Friend of Bill W.

April 9 at 8:00 PM

FI

Fred And Katie Ings posted:

We, as those touched by a persons love, are always shocked when someone is called home. The joy and caring Russ shared, will stay with Us all as an example of his dedication and commitment to the proposition "It works when You work it"

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CW

Craig Warren posted:

Russ will be missed by all that knew him & the work that he done.The world would be a better place if there were more people like him.God Bless.

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DM

Drew Mcauliffe posted:

I last ran into Russ at a Friday Night Fireside Get-Together, and he took the time to donate several pieces of much-needed literature for the use of some inmates with whom I was associated at the time. He was generous and "bigger than life" and God worked through him. He taught me to love a little more freely and hold the world a little more loosely. Thanks to God and to his family for sharing him with us.

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RR

Robert Reese posted:

i will always remember russ and his voice and advice

April 8 at 8:00 PM

PO

Paul J. Owen posted:

I have only known Russ for the past 6 or 7 years through our shared participation in a program at the Jesuit Retreat in Parma, and as such only interacted with him for brief periods, once a year for as I said, 6 or 7 years, however, the short time that he was a part of my life was time that could never have been replaced with anything more rewarding, or spiritually uplifting, and I will miss him ,greatly, as will his family and friends. May the Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ sustain Russ and his family at this time. Love Paul Owen

April 8 at 8:00 PM

RC

Rick Craig posted:

what a wonderfull example of the man i'm trying to become. I was always amazed at how very active he was,,,where did he get the time? But he always smiled and always had time for one more person or one more project. What struck me the most about Russ,,he always said what he meant and meant what he said.I'll miss you buddy

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DS

Denise Shaffstall posted:

I shall never forget Russ and what a friend he was to me. He always talked to me not at me. He was not afraid to share his life experiences and what he knew that might help me. He was the one that gave me a rock wrapped in felt with a prayer on it to help me get on my knees in the morning to start my day. Figured if I kicked it, that would be my reminder. He was a coupon in my life. He was a good friend and father and will be missed.

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MC

Mike Craig posted:

Russ has always been a great person and has been a big part of my life and i will do anything for his loved ones im here for you no matter what. may God bless and keep you all well and safe,allow his grace to fill your hearts and give you rest and know Russ is safe and in good care,much love and respect,michael craig;

April 8 at 8:00 PM

JY

Jeffrey Your posted:

We are so sorry hear of your loss ? and what a great loss, by the sound of it. Our hearts go out to you and to Russ?s family and friends during this difficult time. Thanks for letting us know. Our prayers are with you. In fellowship,Irene KontjeNYC, NY

April 8 at 8:00 PM

JY

Jeffrey Your posted:

We are very saddened by this news. This again shows us that we need to live our life to the fullest, because this is the day God gave us and we never know when it is our turn. Russ was a very good man and it seemed that he enjoyed and took seriously his commitments. In love and service, Dorothy & Jim WilsonIndianapolis IN

April 8 at 8:00 PM

SR

Shirley Stroud Riddle posted:

My prayers and thoughts are with you. May you remember the good times that you have shared. A special thank you and appreciation for the gifts that Mr. Walker has given to others. With deepest sympathy, Quest Recovery Services

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KP

Karen Peters posted:

Good By My Friend, What was so highly respected remains forever with us. Here the healing gift of time gives us memories of life to fill the empty spaces in our hearts. Karen Peters Secretary of St. Clarence Friday Morning Meeting.

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AN

Alan Nowak posted:

At first I was in shock, but then it hit me. We only have today and we only get that One Day at a Time. And he knew by making the most of Today, he could look back tomorrow and know that it was a good day. I'll miss him.

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NB

Nicole Barnett posted:

I will always remember Mr. Walker and his funny jokes, all his movies, his yummy chicken soup, and his stuff from Marcs that he would pick up just because he was thinking of someone else. What a great man. Miss him.

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MS

Mike Smeck posted:

I was shocked to hear of this news. Russ was so very active in the community and touched and helped so many lives, myself being one of those. His strength, goodness, and unselfishness was an inspiration to us all. I am so lucky to have been able to call him my friend and mentor. He will be greatly missed. My deepest sympathy, thoughts, and prayers go out to his family. The AA of Lorain County website was his idea and will be dedicated to the memory of him. Mike Smeck

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BT

Becky Wysochanski Tiller posted:

I was very sad to hear of this passing. Russ was a wonderful friend of my fathers and I know he will be missed by many. I will miss seeing him at St Peters.

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KM

Krista Macarthur posted:

Russel Walker changed my father and allowed him to take a hold of his addictions and change his life's direction. What he did for my father is priceless and I think that God sent him to my dad. My father, wanted me to meet him and I wish I would have had the honor. Our thoughts and prayers are with all who knew him.

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SB

Susan Boulerisse posted:

My Deepest Sympathy to all family and friends. Russ will be missed by all in this community.He helped many people.

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JW

John Waseleski posted:

My Deepest Condolences to Russells family. I greatly enjoyed his fellowship and friendship. His efforts in sharing the message have touched the lives of many. He and his works will not be forgotten.

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CF

Clarence Fluker posted:

I want to pay homage to you loved one for all the love and servive to me and so many others. He was a man to be looked up to and to walk beside, he was a man that many try to be like and not just because he was liked so much by so many but because he was a man of men.

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PM

Peter Mchugh posted:

Russ always had a smile and an outstretched hand. I will remember him as an example of "do the next right thing"

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Danny Siders posted:

russ was a glowing example to me of love and service he truly walked the walk and will be sorely missed you are all in our prayers as we try to carry on rhe things he believed in

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Stephanie Orear posted:

Mr Walker was my next door neighbor and the father of a dear friend of mine. He was always caring and considerate to us. I will always remember the love he had in his heart for his family and all the people he helped. He had tremendous faith in people and helped so many people improve their lives. He will be missed dearly by all who knew him. I only wish I could say something to ease the pain of his family. He will be in my prayers.I love you all and I am truly sorry for this loss.Love,Stephanie Orear

April 7 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Russell by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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