



Russell M. Kruger

May 25, 1939 - March 10, 2022

TOWNSEND: Russell M. Kruger, 82, of Townsend died Thursday, March 10, 2022 at his residence with his daughters by his side.

Russ was born in Austin City, Minnesota, May 25, 1939, a son of Russell A. and Loretta (Fahey) Kruger and grew up in the Chicago, IL area. He moved to Townsend nearly 55 years ago.

He leaves two daughters, Kathleen M. Kruger of Leominster, Colleen A. Rossi and her husband, James, of Fitchburg; his sister, Sylvia Chapman of Oregon and his granddaughter, Nikki Rossi. He also leaves many friends and fans.

His wife of 60 years, Mary Jane R. (Grubisich) Kruger died in April 2020.

Russ began his career in the computer industry at Honeywell Corporation in Chicago where he designed and installed an automated food packaging system at Sara Lee Bakery. After moving to Massachusetts, Russ worked many years at Digital Equipment Corporation where he oversaw sales of equipment to Asian Countries. He retired in 1993.

Following his retirement, Russ discovered his second passion in public event videography beginning with the recording of his granddaughter's school events. He has posted over 1500 hours of public video events in Leominster

and Townsend that are available online.

The family would like to extend their sincerest thanks to Daphne and all the staff of Nashoba Nursing & Hospice for their many kindnesses during their time of loss.

Funeral services will be held privately.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Leominster Music Boosters, 122 Granite Street, Leominster, MA 01453 or the American Cancer Society.

The Anderson Funeral Home, 250 Main Street, (Rte 119) Townsend Center is assisting the family with arrangements. For additional information or to leave an online condolence please visit their website at www.andersonfuneral.com.

Tribute Wall



“ Sam was the "east coast Russ" in our family line of Russ's. He was a character and always up for some of the dry east coast humor. Sending good thoughts your way Kathy, Colleen and fam. Some good memories from our visits to the East Coast clan.



Russell Chapman - March 18, 2022 at 06:11 PM



“ Colleen & Kathy, I just heard. Your dad was such a nice, fun-loving guy. Your parents were lovely people and I'm happy to have known them. I am so sorry for your loss. Jo-Ann

Jo-Ann Coates - March 15, 2022 at 02:46 PM

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“ I want to send my sincere sympathies and condolences to all the Kruger family. I began a friendship with Russ when he took it on himself to begin filming the LHS band when he, his wife Mary Jane his grand daughter Nikki, and her mom Colleen joined the band family. Over the years we became very good friends, helping him tape a middle school theater performance, talking at functions about band and just about life itself. We spoke a few times after he moved on to doing school functions, Starburst, and other endeavors, Glad that we kept in touch. He was a true professional, gentleman, and deep in my heart a true friend. May you rest in peace Russ. Until we meet again my friend.

Dave Swift - March 15, 2022 at 09:28 AM

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“ I don t know what to say. I didn't know your Dad well till your Mom passed away.
We corresponded in emails and a few cards. He sent me a memorial card and some forget me not seeds that I planted here in TN. He kept me up to date with the family new s, good and bad and challenging. He expressed his love for MJ and how he was making good use of her fabric stash and scarves. He said how much you were helping him cope with everything and how grateful he was to have you in his life. He sent me videos of the band concerts and star burst. A picture of the Cardinal Christmas tree. He always mentioned your Mom and how much he missed her. I miss her too. I would like to have seen their reunion in heaven! Your Mother was remarkable and giving and your Dad continued in her honor. I pray for you in this difficult time of loss. May God bless you with wonderful memories of your folks.
Sue Funaiole

Sue Funaiole - March 14, 2022 at 01:31 PM

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“ 8 files added to the album Memories Album



kathy - March 14, 2022 at 09:48 AM