



Russell E. Doersam

April 7, 1942 - February 6, 2023

Russell E. Doersam passed away Feb. 6, 2023. He was born April 7, 1942 to Annabell & Albert Doersam in Ada, Ohio.

Russell is survived by his devoted wife of 49 years, Kathleen (Frey) for whom he was forever thankful for her loving care and delicious baked treats. He is also survived by his children, Greg (Dana) Doersam, Karen Doersam (Matt Stevens), Donald Doersam, Krista Kimbrell (Jared Fairchild), Joel (Katlyn) Doersam, and his grandchildren (Logan, Kaleb, Anna Marie, Elijah, Elliot, Mary Ellen, Theodore and Maximus), who were his pride and joy. He is also survived by his sisters Ann(Joe) Bell, Patsy(Joe) Rice, Jean(Larry) Killen, Jane(Tom) Jolliff, and brother Michael (Rhonda) Doersam, and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and extended family.

Russell graduated from Wharton School before going on to attend the University of Findlay. He was drafted into the US Army and went on to serve two tours of duty as a helicopter pilot with the 174th Assault Helicopter Company in Vietnam. His service profoundly impacted his life; while resulting in a lifelong disability, it also resulted in some of his most treasured friendships. After temporarily owning and running a tavern, Russell spent most of his working years as a skilled carpenter, working for Frey Roofing & Lumber, and later went on to provide childcare for a number of families.

Russell loved the natural world and his greatest legacy was passing down this love to his children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and family friends. Hunting & fishing were some of his favorite pastimes, and every kid knew, despite his sometimes gruff exterior, that if they wanted to learn to hunt or fish that Russ would take them under his wing and teach them. Russell was also a master gardener who could often be found tending his gardens, and was always willing to share his knowledge of plants and the fruits of his labor with family and friends. He loved sports, especially baseball, and he enjoyed following local teams, watching, or simply listening to a game on the radio. Above all else, Russell's love for his wife, children, and grandchildren and his time spent with them, gave him some of the greatest joys in life.

Russell was a devoted husband, father, brother, uncle, cousin, and friend and will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him. In honor of his memory, his family asks that you take a walk through the woods, plant a seed, tend your garden, eat a delicious ice cream, or simply sit and observe the beauty of the natural world around you.

A funeral service will be held at 1:00PM Mon. Feb. 13, 2023 at St. Mary's Catholic Chapel, Kirby with Father Conrad Sutter OFM Conv. officiating. Interment will follow in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery with Military Honors Conducted by the Upper Sandusky Veterans Color Guard. Visitation will be held from 11:00AM-1:00PM at St. Mary's Chapel Mon. Feb. 13, 2023. Memorial donations may be made to Wyandot County Pheasants Forever or St. Mary's Chapel in care of Bringman Clark Funeral Home 226 East Wyandot Ave. Upper Sandusky, OH 43351. Visit www.BringmanClark.com to send a condolence or share a memory.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Cemetery*

Kirby, OH 43330

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 13. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM.

St. Mary'S Chapel Mon

Funeral Service

FEB 13. 1:00 PM.

St. Mary'S Catholic Chapel

Tribute Wall

TC

“ Went through flight school with Russ in 1966 , he was in my flight group during training. Great guy always smiling , quick witted. We were part of a group of Ohio boys who trained together. Very sorry to find out this news so late. My condolences to his family .
Terrence Connor , Class 66-23

Terrence Connor - March 02, 2023 at 05:20 PM

DC

Ohio Northern Territory. How are you . Terry? Dick Coombs

Dick Coombs - March 09, 2023 at 11:56 AM

KD

“ Russell was a good friend in Flight School. We lost touch after we received our wings and each went to different units in RVN. I tried several times to get in touch after the war but was never successful. Ill always remember his 55 Chevy which he graciously provided taxi service to myself and others.
My deepest condolences for your loss.
CW4 (ret) Ken Dolan

Kenneth Michael Dolan - March 02, 2023 at 04:58 PM

JF

“ Jenn, Nici, Krista & families purchased the [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) for the family of Russell E. Doersam.

Jenn, Nici, Krista & families - February 13, 2023 at 09:25 AM

MA

“ *Sending our sympathy.*
Dave and Marsha Smith

Marsha - February 09, 2023 at 03:39 PM

LW

“ *3 files added to the tribute wall*



logan white - February 08, 2023 at 10:06 PM