



John A Russell Jr.

November 14, 1927 - September 5, 2016

Wantage - John Russell, Jr., age 88, went home to be with the Lord on Monday, September 5, 2016 at his residence while surrounded by his loving family. Mr. Russell was peacefully reunited with his beloved wife. Born in Sussex to the late John Russell, Sr. and Iva (Van Etten) Russell, Mr. Russell was a lifelong resident of Sussex County. He worked alongside his wife, Bertha on their dairy farm during their 67 years of marriage. Mr. Russell and his wife enjoyed traveling and thoroughly loved their time in Hawaii, which was their favorite place to tour. Family was very important to him and he was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather. Mr. Russell was a member of the New Jersey Farm Bureau and he enjoyed watching baseball. He was predeceased by his loving wife, Bertha M. Russell on October 19, 2013. Mr. Russell is survived by his devoted sons, John E. Russell of Unionville, New York, Bruce A. Russell and his wife Pam, Dwayne L. Russell and his wife Paula, and Carl D. Russell and his wife Dawn all of Wantage; his loving daughters, Sharon Kardos and her husband John, Jeanette Hovey and her husband John, and Joann Russell all of Wantage; his sister, Lillian Conklin of Hamburg; 16 grandchildren; 22 great grandchildren; and 4 great great grandchildren. Private cremation services have been entrusted to the Pinkel Funeral Home, 31 Bank Street (Route 23), Sussex. A Celebration of Life will be held for the family at a later date with a private family inurnment at Clove Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations may be sent to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place,

Memphis, TN 38105 or Smile Train, 41 Madison Avenue, 28th Floor, NY, NY
10010. Online condolences may be offered to the family at [www.pinkelfuneral
home.com](http://www.pinkelfuneralhome.com)

Cemetery Details

Clove Cemetery

Route 23
Sussex, NJ 07461

Tribute Wall

NH

“ I miss coming here every morning and seeing you. I miss our coffee times on Sundays and your good stories. I'm glad John and I were able to take trips to Vermont with you and Mom. I am so grateful you were myDad. You were a wonderful father. I know you are where you want to be now; in Heaven with Mom. Some day I'll see you again. Love always, Net

Net Hovey - September 16, 2016 at 09:44 AM

NH

“ Net Hovey lit a candle in memory of John A Russell Jr.



Net Hovey - September 16, 2016 at 09:38 AM

TJ

“ Our deepest sympathy to the Russell family. We are so blessed to have known John (and Bertha); and we so appreciated the opportunity they gave us to build our first home on a piece of the farm! Tom had so many great talks with John. You are in our thoughts and prayers; we are comforted in knowing your Dad and Mom are with our Lord and Savior!

Tom and Carol Jurkouich

Tom and Carol Jurkouich - September 14, 2016 at 06:11 AM

YS

“ Dad- I love you and miss you but know that you are where you want to be - with mom. We will always remember Coffee Time and our parties and me telling you to comb your hair! Watch over me as I walk past the farm.

Love you dad,
Sharon



Your Daughter Sharon - September 13, 2016 at 02:31 PM

YS

“ Your Daughter Sharon lit a candle in memory of John A Russell Jr.



Your Daughter Sharon - September 13, 2016 at 02:29 PM

BP

“ Barbara Pierce lit a candle in memory of John A Russell Jr.



Barbara Pierce - September 12, 2016 at 09:41 AM

EL

“ Erica Laird lit a candle in memory of John A Russell Jr.



Erica Laird - September 11, 2016 at 04:45 PM

RR

“ Randy, JoAnne, Randy Jr. And Jacob Roof lit a candle in memory of John A Russell Jr.



Randy, JoAnne, Randy Jr. and Jacob Roof - September 11, 2016 at 12:02 PM

RR

“ Our deepest sympathy to the Russell Family.
We hope you find comfort in knowing that your Mom and Dad have been re-united in heaven. Thank you for letting us get to know them both

Randy, JoAnne, Randy Jr. and Jacob Roof - September 11, 2016 at 11:57 AM



“ Dawn Russell lit a candle in memory of John A Russell Jr.



Dawn Russell - September 10, 2016 at 11:03 PM

LL

“ *Lindsay Lauria lit a candle in memory of John A Russell Jr.*



Lindsay Lauria - September 10, 2016 at 10:25 AM

CS

“ *Carrie Stapel lit a candle in memory of John A Russell Jr.*



Carrie Stapel - September 08, 2016 at 08:06 PM

JR

“ *He used to go by our place when we were milking and feeding animals. Sometimes he would stop and talk. He loved to ride around the neighborhood. Friendly and nice to everyone at our place. Miss him stopping. Prayers to the Russell Family and cherish the memories you had with Him and Bertha. Joy & Doug Ricker*

Joy & Doug Ricker - September 08, 2016 at 07:25 PM

AF

“ To the Russell family,
I have many great memories of John from years ago. He was such a gentle, kind and funny guy. His love for your mom/grama was seen in his eyes and smile each time he looked at her. I am sure their first coffee together was just as special as the last. I had coffee hour with them a few times myself at Carl's and what laughs were always had! He had an infectious laugh and just hearing it would bring a smile to your face. His family was his life and he enjoyed bragging about you all, sharing the good (&bad) things that everyone was doing. May all the memories you have make this transition of your loss much easier, keeping him close in heart forever and always. Much love to you all.
Richard &April (Van Horn) Ford

April Ford - September 08, 2016 at 04:17 AM

KR

“ *Krista Russell lit a candle in memory of John A Russell Jr.*



Krista Russell - September 07, 2016 at 11:27 PM

SK

“ *Thinking of you all during this time. It was a pleasure to have met such a wonderful man. He will be missed. Our sincere condolences, Sherri & Chris*

sherri Kardos - September 07, 2016 at 08:18 PM

EC

“ Rest in peace Uncle John,, I remember coming over to visit Carl , riding bikes or doing stuff in the barn,,and you'd be coming and Carl & Wayne aka Lester would say ut o here comes Sammy Breakstone...lol.. You were a good man, My condolences to all the Russell family..... Eric Carr

Eric Carr - September 07, 2016 at 08:14 PM

MM

“ I will always remember your laugh and how you always talked about us when we were little. You loved to tell the stories of Michelle and I being bald and how you and Grandma didn't think we would have hair for school. Then you would laugh and say "Look at all the hair you have now! " Love to hear the story about "the red stuff". I will miss you forever, but I know you're so happy now with Grandma.

Melissa Madia - September 07, 2016 at 07:06 PM

JR

“ Dad, I miss you but I know you are happy with Mom and for that I am grateful. I was and always will be proud to be your daughter. I was blessed to have had you as my father. I will hold you in my heart forever. Love, Joann

Joann Russell - September 07, 2016 at 06:00 PM

JR

“ Joann Russell lit a candle in memory of John A Russell Jr.



Joann Russell - September 07, 2016 at 05:56 PM