



## Raymond Cullen

June 24, 1938 - May 12, 2015

Wantage - Raymond Cullen, age 76, passed away on Tuesday, May 12, 2015 at Newton Memorial Hospital. Born in Brooklyn, New York to the late Raymond Cullen and Loretta Mastropolo, he was raised in the Forest Hills section of Queens, New York and graduated from Passaic Valley High School in 1957. Mr. Cullen served in the United States Army as a MP during the Vietnam War. He moved to Wantage 42 years ago. Mr. Cullen was a service engineer for Pitney Bowes in Elmwood Park for 34 years and had retired at age 58. He was a member of St. Monica R.C. Church in Sussex, the NRA, was a coach for the Sussex-Wantage Little League for 7 years, and enjoyed target shooting. He especially enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren and attending their various sporting events, dance recitals and horse back riding. Besides his parents, he was predeceased by his brother, Robert Cullen; his sister, Marilyn Fernandez, and his in-laws, Harold and Genevieve Golden. Mr. Cullen is survived by his wife of 53 years, Virginia Ann (Golden) Cullen; his son, Raymond J. Cullen, III and his wife Kim of Frankford Township; his two daughters, Cherie Chernesky and her husband Edward of Byram and Dawn Stone and her husband Daniel of Frankford Township; his sister, Genevieve Rerecich of North Miami Beach, Florida; his grandchildren, Michael, Matthew, and Christie Chernesky; Ricky and Ryan Cullen, and John Stone; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, May 16, 2015 at 9:30 a.m. at the Pinkel Funeral Home, 31 Bank Street (Route 23), Sussex. Mass of Christian Burial will be offered at 10 a.m.

at St. Monica R.C. Church, 33 Unionville Avenue, Sussex. Friends may pay their respects to the family on Friday, May 15, 2015 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the funeral home. Private cremation services will be held at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations may be made to the the Northern New Jersey Veteran's Memorial Cemetery, NNJVMC, P.O. Box 463, Vernon, NJ 07462. Online condolences may be offered to the family at [www.pinkelfuneralhome.com](http://www.pinkelfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Service

MAY 16. 9:30 AM (ET)

Pinkel Funeral Home, Inc.  
31 Bank Street (Route 23)  
Sussex, NJ 07461  
(973) 875-3272  
alexis@pinkelfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.pinkelfuneralhome.com/>

## Mass of Christian Burial

MAY 16. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Monica R.C. Church  
33 Unionville Avenue  
Sussex, NJ 07461  
stmonica@ptd.net  
<http://www.stmonicasussex.org>

# Tribute Wall

AN

“ *Ginny, so saddened by Ray's passing. He was a lovely man - and loved his laugh - Anita*

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**anita** - May 18, 2015 at 11:28 AM

MM

“ *Dear Virginia  
So sorry to hear about Ray's passing --- kind, gentle and caring ---  
may he rest in peace.  
Sincerest condolences.  
Marlene & John Maciaszek*

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**Marlene Maciaszeku** - May 15, 2015 at 10:11 PM

BA

“ *Saddened beyond words. Barry and Terry*

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**Barry** - May 15, 2015 at 11:45 AM

JM

“ *Dear Ginny and all your dear family, Bill and I were deeply saddened to learn of Ray's passing. We pray that you will find comfort in knowing that he isn't suffering any more. The pain of your loss is so terribly strong and overwhelming, we pray that The Lord will be with you all to comfort you. Rest in peace Ray, friend and classmate. Love, Jan and Bill MacDougall*

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**Jan Macougall** - May 15, 2015 at 10:24 AM



“ *Sacred Garden Spray was purchased for the family of Raymond Cullen.*



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May 15, 2015 at 10:01 AM



“ *Aunt Ginny, Cherie, Dawn and Raymond.  
We are so sorry!  
Are thoughts and prayers are with all of you.  
Love, Debbie and Tom*



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**Debbie Fernandez** - May 14, 2015 at 08:29 PM

Kevin  
Cullen

“ To Aunt Ginny, Raymond, Cherie and Dawn,

*Kim and I would like to express our sincere condolences to all of you and your families.*



*I recall numerous fond memories of our families spending time together growing up in New Jersey from attending the Sussex County Fair to the family gatherings at our respective homes to weddings and his generosity in photographing our wedding.*

*Uncle Ray always seemed laid back and easy to talk to and I truly enjoyed spending time with him. While unfortunately we lost touch over the years please know how much I admired him and appreciated him.*

*Please take comfort in the fact that he has gone home and has been reunited with his brother Robert and sister Marilyn and know he will always be looking down on your families.*

*We are truly sorry for your loss!*

*Much love,*

*Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Cullen & Family*

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**Kevin Cullen** - May 14, 2015 at 08:28 PM

PM

“ Jim and I were so sorry to see Rays obit in the paper today. We moved into Post Brook in 1968 and you were our next door neighbors who soon became our friends. Remembering times spent together with you, Ginny, while kids played downstairs in the play area that Ray had fixed up. Then you moved to Sussex and we drifted apart, each of us involved in raising our families. He was a nice man and will be missed by those who knew and loved him.  
*Pam McGlashan*

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**Pam McGlashan** - May 14, 2015 at 05:55 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Raymond Cullen.*



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May 14, 2015 at 03:45 PM