



## Robert L. (Larry) Russell

April 4, 1950 - April 4, 2021

Robert Laurence Russell was born April 4, 1950 in Norfolk, VA to Robert & Hazel Russell. He passed away peacefully at home on April 4, 2021. He was raised by his father and paternal grandmother, Myrtle Cash Russell, in St. Joe, AR until he was 10 years old when the family moved to Fayetteville, AR. He graduated from Fayetteville High School in 1968 and attended Mortuary School in Dallas, TX.

After graduation from Mortuary School, he began his career at Sisco Funeral Chapel in Springdale, AR. He went on to own several funeral homes in Dade County, Missouri for a time and work in the funeral business for most of his life, along with other various business pursuits.

Larry will be remembered for his sense of humor, dedication to helping others and willingness to “give you the shirt off his back”, if you needed it.

He was preceded in death by his father, “Granny” and older brother and best friend, Martin W. Russell. He is survived by his wife of 19 years, April and sons Ryan (Kelly) and Reagan (Natalie) Russell, his grandchildren whom he loved very much, Presley, Tucker, Parker, Harper and Collier Russell as well as his niece Erin (Nathan) Janes and sister-in-law Jan Brinson Russell.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 8. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sisco Funeral Chapel  
705 West Meadow  
Springdale, AR 72764  
(479) 751-4577  
siscofuneralchapel@gmail.com  
<https://www.siscofuneral.com>

## Memorial Service

APR 9. 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Robert L. (Larry) Russell*

January 21, 2023 at 02:29 PM



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DrMo Moshinski - April 29, 2021 at 07:43 AM



“ *Always knew Larry to be a trusted friend that I did not see often but knew he was always there. I will miss knowing that. He and Marty were best childhood friends in St. Joe.....Mike Davenport*



mike c. davenport - April 11, 2021 at 08:20 PM



“ *John & Jill Schneider purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Robert L. (Larry) Russell.*



John & Jill Schneider - April 09, 2021 at 02:13 PM

MB

“ I did not know Larry well but he was always kind and funny. Susan Haley Bell FHS 68. My husband Mike Bell knew Larry and Marty from years back at Wiggins Church. Our condolences to the family.

Mike and Susan Haley Bell - April 08, 2021 at 05:18 PM

KR

I grew up with Larry in St. Joe until he moved to Fayetteville. When his grandmother would come back to visit he would usually come with her. He would come to our house to go down on the creek that flowed through our pasture. Had not seen him since 1970. So very sorry to hear of his passing. Kenny Rainbolt

Kenny Rainbolt - April 08, 2021 at 07:58 PM

CM

Larry was so inspiring to me. Even in his struggles he showed up. He wrote letters on my behalf while I was as trying to get custody of my grandsons...and have had for 3 years. I actually met him 30 + years ago. He was a great man. Love you Larry!!!

Cynthia Morgan - April 09, 2021 at 08:04 AM

CA

Larry and I crossed paths several years after high school. He was candid about life events that hadn't worked out, yet grateful for those that had. I agree that kindness and humor will be part of his legacy, and I know his loved ones have many memories of both.  
Carolyn (Thurlby) Anderson

Carolyn Anderson - April 11, 2021 at 01:30 PM



Larry and I started in the funeral service profession in 1969 with Emerson Funeral & Ambulance Service in Jonesboro, Arkansas. He attended Dallas Institute of Mortuary with me and he was a smart student who developed excellent embalming skills. He loved his family. He always had a quick smile for everyone. Rest In Peace dear friend.

DrMo Moshinski - April 29, 2021 at 07:31 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert L. (Larry) Russell.*

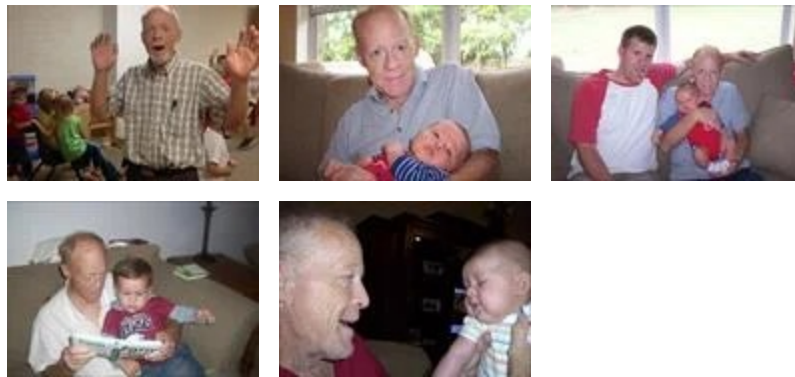


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April 08, 2021 at 12:53 PM



“ *I just wanted to share some pictures of my Dad. Thank you all for the kind words.*



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**Ryan Russell** - April 08, 2021 at 11:35 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Robert L. (Larry) Russell.*



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April 08, 2021 at 11:29 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert L. (Larry) Russell.*



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April 08, 2021 at 09:57 AM



“ *Larry fooled me. I always thought that I was his best friend growing up. He was my next door neighbor and part of the neighborhood gang growing up. We mowed a farmer's field with our push mowers to make a ball field, waded the creek, fished, hiked all over Fayetteville, and generally acted liked the little rascals. Reaching the age of 16 about the same time and being introduced to cars gave us a whole new set of adventures. He created memories for everyone he met and will be remembered fondly.*

*Lanny Samples*

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**Lanny Samples** - April 08, 2021 at 07:32 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert L. (Larry) Russell.*



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April 07, 2021 at 06:08 PM

TB

“ Ty & Stacy Barber purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Robert L. (Larry) Russell.



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**Ty & Stacy Barber** - April 07, 2021 at 12:16 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert L. (Larry) Russell.



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April 07, 2021 at 10:58 AM

TF

“ The Protz Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Robert L. (Larry) Russell.



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**The Protz Family** - April 07, 2021 at 10:35 AM

SW

“ Rest in peace my friend. So happy I was fortunate enough to know you.

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**Sarah Webb** - April 07, 2021 at 09:40 AM

BP

“ Rest peacefully in heaven now Larry. I am devastated to have found out yesterday that you passed away. You were one of the kindness men I ever knew. You helped so many people in your life. I enjoyed your quick witted sense of humor and ability to make people calm down in troubling times. God has a new great angel. You will be missed by all of your friends and family.

Butch Pennington - April 07, 2021 at 07:40 AM

TG

“ The Hi lifers Group purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Robert L. (Larry) Russell.



The Hi lifers Group - April 06, 2021 at 08:12 PM

MS

“ Larry has been in my family since before I was born. He always left us laughing with his stories and crazy “business” ideas. Denton and I will miss seeing him around. Rest In Peace, friend.

Morgan and Denton Sachs - April 06, 2021 at 05:21 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert L. (Larry) Russell.



April 06, 2021 at 04:00 PM

MW

“ I met Larry almost 11 years ago, but it’s hard to remember what my life was like before knowing him. He had an “easy does it” way of looking at life and encouraged others to not take things so seriously. I am convinced he helped more people than any of us will ever know about. He was great at seeing what basic and tangible needs people had, and getting things done to make sure those needs were met. I have learned so much from this dear friend of mine and I’ll miss him dearly.

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**Mary Wiley** - April 06, 2021 at 03:43 PM

CK

Ryan and Reagan, our family has great memories of when you lived across the street from us, in Siloam Springs. You were like family to us. Your Dad was so willing to help us with jobs like planting trees. Those Dogwood trees are still in bloom after about 35 years. He was so comfortable with us, he would come over and raid our frig. promising to replace whatever he took. Ha! So sorry for your loss. We will always remember your Dad as a very special friend. Praying for your peace!!  
Much love, Cheryl Hill Kenemore and family

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**Cheryl Hill Kenemore** - April 11, 2021 at 11:07 PM

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**Jan Beattie** - April 06, 2021 at 03:39 PM

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**Jan Battie** - April 06, 2021 at 03:37 PM

DJ

“ Our family met Larry almost 20 years ago when we made arrangements for our son-in-laws funeral. It was such a hard thing to do but Larry made it better. We had a lot of different things done and Larry did them all. One wss the pillow. We wanted Nick's favorite Denver Bronco pillow under his head. Larry asked us about the other pillow and I said save it for someone else. When my mom passed away 7 months later he said he still had the pillow and did we want it. When my dad died 3 years later he said he still had the pillow if I wanted it. My son got to be friends with him. May he RIP.

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**Dorcias Johnson** - April 06, 2021 at 12:28 PM

MJ

“ Such a fun guy to be around. No matter what the situation he was going to find the good. He helped a lot of people in some ways that only Larry could. To many stories to mention from birds to dogs, and a few other people wouldn't want to hear. I enjoyed all my time working with and knowing such a good man. You will be missed but never forgotten.

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**mike jeffcoat** - April 06, 2021 at 10:44 AM

RW

“ I was blessed to know Larry for almost 20 years. He provided encouragement and kindness and extended a warm welcome to so many of us at just the right time. He could be counted on for a good joke and would always listen. Larry, we may not be related but you are definitely my Brother. Prayers for his family

Robin Willis - April 05, 2021 at 10:23 PM



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April 05, 2021 at 06:36 PM

JB

“ Oh my gosh, Larry. I am just devastated that I have talked with you for the last time and will no longer hear your corny jokes and your tall tales of times in Searcy Co. You will be missed, cousin. You know I loved you like a brother. See you on the flip side! I'm sure Dad gave you a big heavenly welcome and no doubt you two are already up to all kinds of mischief and shenanigans. Rest easy, cousin. Until we meet again.

Jan Beattie - April 05, 2021 at 06:28 PM