



## Pascal Joseph La Ruffa M.D.

June 15, 1937 - May 25, 2017

Pascal Joseph La Ruffa, M.D., 79, of Naples, FL, passed away on Thursday, May 25, 2017. Formerly of Yardley, PA, he had been a Naples resident since 2000. He was born June 15, 1937 in Ambler, PA, the son of Joseph and Phyllis (née Melograna) La Ruffa.

Dr. La Ruffa graduated summa cum laude from LaSalle College (B.A.) and Jefferson Medical College (M.D.) in Philadelphia, PA and received a Fellowship in Adolescent Medicine from the Harvard Graduate School of Medicine in Boston, MA.. He was a charter member and Fellow of the Society for Adolescent Medicine, Philadelphia College of Physicians, and Royal Society of Health, London. Dr. La Ruffa served as Medical Director at Penn State University, Abington, PA Campus, George School in Newtown, PA, The Lawrenceville School in Lawrenceville, NJ, and held Private Practice in Yardley, PA as a specialist in Adolescent Medicine and Psychiatry, Internal Medicine, and Addiction Medicine. Dr. La Ruffa served eight years in the U.S. Army Reserves.

Dr. La Ruffa is survived by his loving wife of 41 years, Joan (née Maddock) La Ruffa; his beloved daughter, Tara La Ruffa (Julian II) Stokes of Naples, FL; his sisters and brother, Rosemarie (Lee) Melair of Chalfont, PA, Vincent (Albina) La Ruffa of Newnan, GA, Nora La Ruffa of Quakertown, PA and Phyllis (Craig) Smith of Horsham, PA; and one cherished grandchild, Julian Stokes III.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Monday, June 12, 2017 at 10:00 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 625 111th Ave. N., Naples. Burial will follow in the church memorial garden.

In lieu of flowers, you may make a Memorial Donation to the Dementia Society of America. [www.dementiasociety.org](http://www.dementiasociety.org)

Online condolences may be offered at [www.shikanyfuneralhome.com](http://www.shikanyfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## St. John the Evangelist Memorial Garden

625 111th Ave. No.  
Naples, FL 34108

# Previous Events

## Mass of Christian Burial

JUN 12. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church  
625 111th Ave N  
Naples, FL 34108

# Tribute Wall



“ *Pascal Joseph La Ruffa M.D.*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Pascal Joseph La Ruffa M.D..*



June 12, 2017 at 08:57 PM



“ *I was very sorry to hear of Dr. La Ruffa's passing. Because I hadn't seen him in many years, in my mind's eye he is still the young doctor in his thirties who gave me so much help when I was a very ill teenager. My condolences to all, especially to his sister Phyllis who was always kind to me while she worked as Dr. La Ruffa's receptionist. -- Mark Parsons*

**Mark Parsons** - June 11, 2017 at 01:07 PM



*He was a great doctor who helped me through George school. He will be a loss for teenagers in need of help condolences to his family*

**david stager** - January 16, 2024 at 11:41 PM

JP

“ *Mrs. La Ruffa and Tara,  
Your husband and father will always be remembered by me. He was instrumental in getting me through my teen years in Abington, Pa. and going on to graduate from Beaver College in Glenside, Pa. RIP Dr. La Ruffa! You were one in a million!*  
*Jean C. Patane  
Fort Myers, Fl.*

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**Jean Patane** - June 11, 2017 at 10:09 AM

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“ *Mrs. La Ruffa, I was sad to hear of Dr. La Ruffa's passing. He was one of my early role models. My thoughts and prayers are with you and Tara. -- Hank Van Blunk*

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**Hank Van Blunk** - June 07, 2017 at 10:12 AM

MC

“ *Dear Joan and family,  
How well we remember your Patrick. What a warm smile he always had for everyone, especially your many friends in the minor League and League Club. We hope your memories of those days ease your sadness and even fill a corner of your heart with happiness. Please accept our condolences on your loss. Mary and Jim Cooper*

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**Mary Cooper** - June 05, 2017 at 06:54 AM