



Russell D. McGuire Sr.

October 13, 1946 - December 25, 2022

Mother, mother ocean, I have heard you call
Wanted to sail upon your waters since I was three feet tall
You've seen it all, you've seen it all.

I've done a bit of smuglin', and I've run my share of grass
I made enough money to buy Miami, but I pissed it away so fast
Never meant to last, never meant to last

Lyrics from "A Pirate Looks at 40" by Jimmy Buffett

Born in San Francisco to Rida Wilson and Russell Albert McGuire, Russell spent his youth in the Bay Area, Las Vegas, and St Louis. His maternal grandmother Martha Heinenan, a Paris-born seamstress, took him under her wing at a tender age and brought him often to Fisherman's Wharf to buy fresh seafood right off the boats. His lifelong love of the ocean began during outings with his grandmother and continued through retirement in Bonita Springs, Florida, where he recently survived Hurricane Ian.

Russell was an athlete and devoted sports fan, a lover of football, basketball, boxing, baseball, and golf. He loved boats, fishing, motorcycles, cold draught beer, and regaling friends with colorful stories from a life filled with adventure and hardship in equal measure.

Russell was awarded the Bronze Star for valor and self-sacrifice for his Army service in the US-Vietnam War.

With Kathleen McGuire (née Kennedy), he had two sons, Russell Durand McGuire, Junior, and Mark McGuire. In his second marriage to Nan Antonacci, Russell became a stepfather to Tommy and Jessica Antonacci. Russell had four grandchildren: Patrick McGuire, Dahlia Ayalon McGuire, Gaby McGuire and Matan Ayalon McGuire, and two daughters-in-law Patty McGuire (née Gonzalez) and Rotem Ayalon.

Founding partner of the St Louis real estate firm Einig and McGuire, Russell earned many sales awards, mentored young agents and helped thousands of clients purchase their family homes during a 50 year career.

Russell passed away peacefully in the loving care of Nan Antonacci and the benevolent staff at Hope Hospice, in Bonita Springs.

His sharp mind, distinct voice and zest for life will be missed.

A graveside service will be held on Tuesday March 7, 2023 at 1:30P.M. at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St Louis, MO with a reception to follow, at Hessler's Pub and Grill, 11804 Tesson Ferry Road, St. Louis, MO 63128.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Russell's name to the Wounded Warrior Project (<https://www.woundedwarriorproject.org>) or Hope Hospice (<https://hopehospice.org>)

To sign Russell's guest register or to leave on line condolences, please visit www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home & Crematory Family owned and Operated Since 1978

Cemetery Details

Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery

2900 Sheridan Rd
St. Louis, MO 63125-4198
(314) 845-8320

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAR 7. 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Russell D. McGuire Sr.*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Russell D. McGuire Sr..*



March 03, 2023 at 03:03 PM



“ *I walked into the Dolan RE company and met a guy who would and did change my life forever. Not many people can say that I told him so and as expected it was an "not me but you made the difference" sometimes a guy is all wrong. We sometimes worked together sometimes not so much but all the time stayed pals and better friends: On one of our first open houses we "new agents" that it could only get easier than just starting, who knows maybe it did but from that start he often simply provided the wind in my sails and for that myself my wife and my two son had and have a far better life than this old man could have ever done on his own. I am proud to say Russel D. McGuire was my friend!*

jack davis - February 28, 2023 at 01:39 PM

JF

“ My condolences to Russ's family, I am very sorry for your loss. Russ was very helpful to me in renting my condo for several years in Spring Run. He was a man with many contacts and knew how to make things happen. May he Rest In Peace!

Joe Florenzano - December 30, 2022 at 07:40 PM

RH

“ Thank you Russ for always going out of your way to find us a rental at Spring Run. The stories and memories you shared with us will always be remembered. Sending prayers to your family. May you RIP 🙏🙏. Russ & Robin Hammer

Russ & Robin Hammer - December 29, 2022 at 06:14 PM

GR

“ So many adventures Russ graciously took me along for the ride so I could hang with little Rusty. Palm Springs, fancy dinners at Blue Heron and Seventh Inn in, Captain Yorkie's in Destin. And the Ozarks of course. I felt like a King cruising those waters on the front deck of the Carver.

I'm sorry about the Supra. Stupid sewer hole jumped right out in front of us.

In your basement I watched Spinx cower on the mat 10 seconds after his fight with Tyson began. I woke up to breakfasts. I was treated as a valued friend and it meant the world to me as a teenager. I think Russ recognized that and let me tag along to be with my best bud.

Rest in peace sailor. Maybe now you can buy Miami. I'll take a cheeseburger when I see you again.

-Greg B

Greg - December 28, 2022 at 06:05 PM

MM

“ Russ was always such a man of his word. Always stood up for the underdog. He will be missed by so many in the real estate field as well as Spring Run. My deepest sympathy to all!

Mary Medeiros - December 28, 2022 at 05:45 PM

MB

“ A good friend. Welcomed me to southwest Florida and introduced me to some interesting characters from St Louis and Lake of the Ozarks.

Mike Butler - December 28, 2022 at 03:13 PM



“ I had met Russ when my late husband Ted and I were navigating the Florida Real Estate market. He had a way of really listening to my wishes for a second home. Not only did we buy one house but two. I have so many stories of Russ that it would be difficult to record them all. He was a loving, thoughtful, generous to the core individual. I will miss him dearly and want to wish all the family members my sincerest condolences for his passing. There is no doubt that I will see my friend again when I travel up to those heavenly gates.

Cheryll Cranmer - December 26, 2022 at 04:08 PM

JB

“ To my fellow proud Vietnam Veteran, who served with honor and had an amazing life. It was my privilege to have known you. Rest in peace my friend. May God hold you in the palm of his hand.

Jack Butler - December 26, 2022 at 03:36 PM