



Ray Milton Rockwell

August 5, 1949 - January 9, 2023

Ray M. Rockwell II, "ROCKY" 73, of Susquehanna, Pennsylvania was called home on January 9, 2023. He was predeceased by his parents Albert and Betty (Geer) Rockwell; nephews BJ, Jimmy, and Ethan, and most recently his best friend and brother, Joe. He is survived by his loving wife of 54 years Carol (Corse) Rockwell, beloved children: David & Amber Rockwell, Tara & Dale Rhone, Brenda & Brad Jones and his "bestest doggie boy" Chichi. He is also survived by his 8 siblings, Terry & Wanda Rockwell, Dale & Kelly Rockwell, Diane & Danny Botts, Stanley & Alice Rockwell, Poppy (Albert) Rockwell, Pat & Ron Barton, Kim Rockwell, Aaron & Alyssa Rockwell, and sister-in-law Pam Rockwell. Treasured nieces, nephews, cousins and friends will miss him dearly.

"Poppa" will also be missed by his precious granddaughters. Marah, Morgan, Olivia & (Dylan), Paige, Kaitlyn and Kyleigh. At any mention of his grandchildren his heart swelled with pride. He shared many memories with them in their hand-built yurt at "Camp Grandkids"

Ray grew up in Stevens Point, Pennsylvania sharing many wonderful adventures with all his siblings building an unbreakable bond. He graduated from Susquehanna Community High School and followed his brother Joe, enlisting in the United States Army where he met his lifelong friend Jack Simrell. Ray was proud to serve his God and country as a cryptologist in the Signal Corps in Stuttgart, Germany.

Ray and Carol raised their family in Stevens Point in the home that they built

with his siblings. He spoke often of his career at Magnetic Labs and CAE Link. He enjoyed years of building and driving dirt stock cars, collecting and restoring classic cars, motorcycle riding, wine making, hunting, boating and teaching all the kids to waterski. As a lifetime American Legion and Amvets member, Ray loved the comradery of his fellow veterans at American Legions he visited throughout the country. He was a charter member of the Susquehanna County Veterans Memorial Bridge Committee.

Ray was North East Square Dance Calling champion and showcased his skills singing country music and teaching many people to square dance along with Carol in their band "Just Us".

Ray spent the last 28 years living at the house they built in North Jackson, PA and "wintering" in Lady Lake, Florida, welcoming family and friends and taking them boating on the many lakes and rivers.

Family and friends can find comfort knowing Ray is now pain free in the hands of God. He will be mesmerizing audiences with his prolific story telling. As Ray always says, "It's another beautiful day in central Florida." "Might's well have a beer."

At a future date there will be a Celebration of Life at the Fruitland Park American Legion and another in Susquehanna with internment in Stevens Point Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Ray's memory to Wreaths Across America by mailing your donation payable to:

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY unit 219

attn: Wreaths Across America, PO box 904, Fruitland Park, FL 34731

Or to the BJ ROCKWELL Memorial Scholarship Fund by mailing your donation payable to

Amanda Williams, attn: BJ ROCKWELL Memorial Scholarship Fund

2744 Bethel Hill Road, Susquehanna, PA 18847

Tribute Wall

AL

“ So sorry to hear of your brother Stanley and Brother in Law to Marian Seamons. May he rest in the Peace of Jesus Christ!!

Alfie & Bob Lambert - January 15, 2023 at 11:07 PM

NA

“ So very sorry to hear the news. He was a good friend to my brother, Jerry. We've had a lot of fun at the square dances with him and Carol that we will remember. Our condolences to the family.
Richard & Nancy (Sheldon) Arthur.

Nancy Arthur - January 15, 2023 at 06:28 PM

TM

“ It was always good to see Ray and Carol walk through the door at the hilltop. He always had a smile on his face and I will miss him a lot. Prayers to Carol

Tina Moulton - January 14, 2023 at 06:08 PM

JL

I am a life long friend of the Rockwell family. Ray n Carol n the kids lived above me I Oakland for a short time and we were back n forth all the time then our kids played together. Ray was a character always cracking jokes. He n Carol are such good friends. We loved their music, they played for my daughters wedding reception. He will so greatly missed.. Rest in peace dear friend...

Jean Lowden - January 14, 2023 at 08:31 PM

PG

“ So sorry to hear about Ray. He will be missed by all. Ron & Pat Ganser(formerly of Stevens Point)

Pat Ganser - January 14, 2023 at 04:31 PM

SB

“ Our hearts go out to Carol, his children, grandchildren, and the entire Rockwell family. It's always been a pleasure running into Ray and saying hello at the various family gatherings. These moments will be missed. May Ray now rest comfortably, free of pain, in peace 🙏❤️🙏.

Sandy and Jerry Benson.

Sandra/Gerald Benson - January 14, 2023 at 03:39 PM

AC

Condolences to Carol, family and friends of Ray. May Ray be at peace and hugs to Carol and family.

Bill and Arlene Collins

Arlene Collins - January 14, 2023 at 06:45 PM

CL

“ He was a champion in my eyes. Always good for a laugh and willing to lend a hand. Too many memories to share but one of my fondest is his loyalty commitment and friendship to our family especially my grandfather PA Langdon. I know that he is holding a bar stool waiting on his best friend at Heaven's American Legion Post. Four generations of langdon's have loved being part of the Rockwell family. Blessings to all

Christophet Langdon - January 14, 2023 at 02:46 PM

EB

“ We had so many wonderful memories of Ray and Carol when they played their music and sang at different venues all over Susquehanna. Every time we came up (Tom, Tony, Jack, Joe, Harry and myself Ernie) we hunted during the day and then went to where ever Ray and Carol were playing. We truly enjoyed being with them and told our stories from during the day. Ray and I had so many common things between us, including our health issues. We looked forward to coming up every year and visiting them. Most of us live in Bethlehem and Hellertown area. We truly will miss him. Our hearts are so sad and I hope one day we will meet again. Ernie Barbarics

Ernie Barbarics - January 14, 2023 at 01:01 PM

DS

“ For many years Ray & Carol played music at the Sports for Health Program held at Land of the Vikings. Carol sang, Ray called the square dances and wonderful guides forged lasting memories and friendships with blind persons, like myself. The square dancing was particularly fun and hilarious and, over 20 years later, I still haven't figured out how, when the music stopped, I was always outside the circle of square dancers. The love between Ray & Carol shone like a light.

Donna Slivoski - January 14, 2023 at 12:49 PM