



Russell W Tessling

January 24, 1943 - September 6, 2022

On Tuesday, September 6th, Russell Walter Tessling of Beecher, Illinois passed away at age 79. Russell was the classic fisherman—never short on stories of previous adventures or plans for the next pursuit. He was a loving husband, father, and grandfather, and enjoyed doing whatever he could to create a laugh.

Russell was born on January 24th, 1943, in Chicago, Illinois to parents Virginia & Frank Tessling. He grew up in the south suburbs of Chicago with his brothers Roger, John, and Frank. Over the years, Russell developed a love for electricity and power generation, which was exhibited by his many years of service working as a crew leader & lineman for Commonwealth Edison. He retired from ComEd in 1996, which led to many years of travelling the country with his late wife, Sharon (Miller) Tessling in their motorhome. Together, they roadtripped to most of the lower 48 states and visited many US National Parks.

Russell is survived by his daughter Cheryl Meier (Larry), grandchildren Matthew, Angela, Joshua, and Daniel, daughter Tami Tessling, and grandson Brandon Petrovski. These individuals were Russell's favorite audience for the latest rhyme he created, the newest joke he heard, or his favorite story to tell. He enjoyed meeting for breakfast to hear the latest adventures in everyone's lives or to tell them about the last race he watched. Russell dreamed of writing a book that captured all of his life's adventures, but these stories and his legacy will live on with each of the aforementioned individuals.

Russell enjoyed fishing and travelling throughout his life, and he always knew when the next NASA rocket launch was occurring. He was the biggest jokester you'd ever meet, but he wasn't afraid to be a straight-shooter and give you his true opinion. Russell was also always willing to tell you about his relationship with Jesus, his Lord & Savior. While he will be missed by those left behind, know that this separation is only temporary, and he is at peace in his Heavenly Home.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **13**. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Hack-Jensen Funeral Home
753 Hodges Street
Beecher, IL 60401
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<http://Hackfuneralhome.com>

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ *To the Tessling Family
It is with great sorrow discovering of Russell's passing.
I am the former owner of Hickory Hills Camp Grounds son. My mom
asked me to write you as she loved Mr. and Mrs. Tessling and
family. She told me of how she felt in her heart of the genuine lovely
people the Tesslerings were and always will be in her heart. I to felt
his genuineness as I look at this video. Mom is 93 now and I am
thankful for your family friendship with my mom and dad.
Kind Regards
Michael Milo*

Michael Milo - December 10, 2022 at 02:41 PM

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*Thank you so much! I am Russell and Sharon's youngest daughter. I
have very fond memories of Hickory Hills. Please tell your mom hello.
Again thanks for the heartfelt message.*

Cheryl Meiee - March 24, 2023 at 03:25 AM

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“ *Video of recent memories of my Dad otherwise known as Pa, Best
Buddy, Fisherman and Greatest Story Teller. My dad was never
short on long stories, short rhymes, or a song or two. I am so
thankful he will live on in our memories!*



Cheryl - September 13, 2022 at 01:16 AM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Russell W Tessling.*



September 12, 2022 at 11:22 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Russell W Tessling.*



September 10, 2022 at 04:33 AM



“ *Lombard Toyota purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Russell W Tessling.*



Lombard Toyota - September 09, 2022 at 11:34 AM



“ *RAIMONDI AND WORKOWSKI FAMILIES purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Russell W Tessling.*



RAIMONDI AND WORKOWSKI FAMILIES - September 09, 2022 at 11:22 AM