



Russell Francis Bent

January 13, 1931 - June 15, 2021

Russell Francis Bent, aged 90 passed away peacefully in his home on June 15, 2021, of Deptford.

Russ was born on January 13, 1931 to the late Russell and Anna Bent in Foxboro Massachusetts, the home of his favorite sports team, the New England Patriots.

He will be dearly missed by his wife Kay, children Stephen (Clarissa) Bent, Traci Wright, Paul (Amy) Bent and stepson Michael (Paula) Lauria. He was adored by his grandchildren Christopher, Matthew, Delaney, Elizabeth and Derek who affectionately referred to him as “Gramps”. Russ is also survived by his sisters Joyce Reardon and MaryAnne (Owen) Forrest and sister-in-law Dorothy Graf as well as many nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by his son Rusty in 1983 and younger brother David in 2001.

Russell served in the United States Military and was a proud Marine, obtaining the rank of Captain. Following his years of service he worked in the insurance industry before he established his own government relations business which would become Pathways Government Relations. He was commonly referred to as a “Senior Statesman” with all of the respect that commanded.

Russ candidly described himself as “a man of few words”. He was the

definition of a gentleman and he will be remembered for his quiet, thoughtful and loving nature, work ethic and moral integrity. To all who have known and loved Russ it has been an honor and a privilege.

Services are private for the immediate family only.

Arrangements by BOUCHER FUNERAL HOME, Deptford.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Wounded Warriors Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, KS 66675; a charity very close to his heart.

For condolences visit www.boucherfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Russell Francis Bent*

November 27, 2022 at 03:45 PM



“ *I think the others have really pointed out Russ' great qualities and friendship he has shown everyone. A very level-headed and gentlemanly individual who tried to help others throughout our lives here at the State Capitol. Best wishes to his family members during this difficult time. Richard Stokes*

Richard Stokes - June 28, 2021 at 04:00 PM



“ *I knew Russ in and around Trenton for over 40 years. He lobbied strenuously on behalf of his clients, but always in a respectful and thoughtful way. Two important things about Russ: He was a gentleman in the way he dealt with people on an every day basis and when he gave his word, he always kept it. Always! Also, you noticed that there were still a lot of Marine Corps in the man. I know that Russ will be sorely missed by his family, but also by the Trenton family in which he so long operated. The kind of man he is does not come around often. It has been my honor and privilege to have worked with him and to have him as a friend. Godspeed Russ!*

John Kohler - June 28, 2021 at 02:10 PM

VT

“ *Corpus Christi Church sends warm condolences on the passing of our former parishioner, Russ Bent. The final paragraph of the obituary perfectly describes the Mr. Bent i knew as an employee at the Rectory. I must add, however, his generosity to the parish and to many. He was a great friend of Msgr. Henry Bogdan who admired Mr. Bent tremendously.*
Rest in peace, Mr. Bent. The prayers of the people of Corpus Christi are with you and with your family at this most difficult time. God's blessings to the entire Bent Family.

Victoria Treutel - June 24, 2021 at 03:52 PM

SM

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Sending you love and comfort during this difficult time.*

Sonja, Stacy, and Kevin Mullen.



Stacy Mullen - June 20, 2021 at 11:50 AM

YG

“ *Russ was a true gentleman in every sense of the word. He was a kind gentle soul, and will be missed by all who knew him.*



Yvonne Grady - June 17, 2021 at 05:23 AM

PR

“ Paige Rhodes lit a candle in memory of
Russell Francis Bent



Paige Rhodes - June 16, 2021 at 07:57 PM

CR

“ Cheryl Reardon lit a candle in memory of
Russell Francis Bent



Cheryl Reardon - June 16, 2021 at 04:50 PM

MF

“ I will miss all our phone calls. For your devotion all those years to
our mom and then Aunt Mary. I will never forget what you did for
them. I will love you forever.
MaryAnne

MaryAnne Forrest - June 16, 2021 at 04:14 PM

DG

“ My heart goes out to you Kay and all the family. It's hard to believe
that another Bent son has gone home to be with the Lord. My
daughters and I will be praying for you. We will never forget the
great vacations we enjoyed at the Russ Bent beach house on the
Jersey shore. He always made sure we enjoyed one night for dinner
at the casino too. Such great memories. John 11:25. "I am the
resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me will never die."
Love, Dot, and the Bent daughters.

Dorothy Bent Graf - June 16, 2021 at 03:39 PM

DG

“ Dorothy Bent Graf lit a candle in memory of
Russell Francis Bent



Dorothy Bent Graf - June 16, 2021 at 03:24 PM

CB

“ Chris Bent lit a candle in memory of Russell
Francis Bent



Chris Bent - June 16, 2021 at 03:09 PM

MF

“ MaryAnne Forrest lit a candle in memory of
Russell Francis Bent



MaryAnne Forrest - June 16, 2021 at 01:18 PM