



Russell O. Crawford

April 25, 1947 - November 9, 2022

Stratham, NH – Russell O. “Russ” Crawford, 75, of Stratham, passed peacefully Wednesday, November 9, 2022 with loving support from his family. He was born April 25, 1947 in Lakewood, OH a son of the late Walton and Eileen (Peppard) Crawford.

Russ was raised in Ohio and attended his last year of high school in Pennsylvania where he excelled at swimming. He was a graduate of Northwestern University in Evanston, IL. His career in IT spanned 50 years as a software engineer as well as a project manager and consultant. He retired from Liberty Mutual Insurance Company in 2019 after many years of service. From 2009 he held the position of Treasurer for the Aberdeen COOP.

Russ was a former member of the American Yatch Club in Newburyport and enjoyed racing his Lightning Class sailboat. He also enjoyed Formula 1 Racing and would attend the annual vintage race festival at Lime Rock Park in Lakeville, CT. He enjoyed owning sports cars and music. He was an avid fan of science fiction and his favorite book was Frank Herbert’s Dune. He loved watching movies, photography, cooking and spending time with his family. He made his home in Stratham in 1994 coming from Newbury, MA.

He leaves two children, Cassandra Bristol and her husband Marc and their children Blake and Jackson of Chelmsford, MA, his son Kelley Crawford and

his wife Xuelian of Arlington, VA, two brothers, Michael Crawford (Pat) of Oxnard, CA, James Crawford (Susan) of San Marino, his niece Claire Crawford of Solana Beach, CA and his nephew Robert Crawford (Sarah) of Los Angeles, CA.

Visiting hours will be from 5-7 P.M. Thursday, November 17, 2022 at the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home-Crematory, 811 Lafayette Road, Hampton. Services will be held at 11 A.M. Friday, November 18, 2022 in the funeral home. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited. Russ enjoyed taking his kids to Odiorne Point State Park, as well as reading on a bench and appreciating the ocean view. In lieu of traditional remembrances donations may be made to New Hampshire State Parks by clicking here (<https://www.nhstateparks.org/about-us/support/donate>)

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 17. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Service

NOV 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Remick & Gendron Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Russell O. Crawford*



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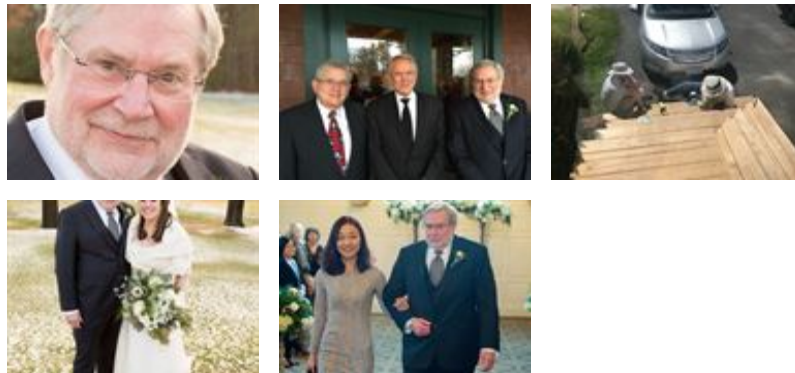
MI

“ *Very sorry to hear about this. Russ was a great character and someone who looked after me well on my trips from Northern Ireland to New England with work (Liberty). I remember one evening in particular: playing pool with him in his home... and quickly realising I wasn't very good! Happy memories of a good soul.*

Mark Ingram - January 20, 2023 at 07:24 AM



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Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - November 17, 2022 at 03:35 PM

RK

“ I met Russ in 1965, our freshman year at Northwestern University. His name tag said "Pittsburgh", my home town, so introduced myself as such. He quickly corrected me by saying he was really from Cleveland. Despite long-standing football rivalries we managed to become friends and for the last two years, roommates. So many great memories. I was always struck by the logical discipline of Russ' mind, befitting a math major, in combination with his quest for the "right" philosopher, which was always frustrated by finding logical inconsistencies in their philosophies.

Best man at my wedding and made it a point to help my wife, Katie, and our newborn when the draft took me away. Really owed him for that and repaid him by taking no special notice of the ridiculous fumanchu mustache he had grown. When he married and moved to the East coast we drifted apart, finally reconnecting in the early 2000's. Our shared love of auto racing and fast cars had survived all those years and now we had the money and time to do something about it. And, he was still a keen observer who brooked no fools.

"Why discuss when you can argue?" was a favorite line. Katie and I were so pleased when he and son Kelley were able to join us on a trip to Japan in 2013.

A gentle soul despite his gruff posturing, a loyal friend and a loving father. You will be missed, my friend.

Rich and Katie Kenny



Rich Kenny - November 14, 2022 at 07:29 PM

KC

The trip to Japan was one of his favorite vacations. Dad and I often talked about it and how much it meant to the both of us.

Kelley Crawford - November 16, 2022 at 09:53 AM

AD

“ *Aberdeen West Coop was always in good hands with Russ as Treasurer. I served on the Board with him for many years. If he didn't know an answer (seldom) he would research and find it. He always had the welfare of the Coop in mind. Then the excitement and joy of his grandbabies and videos galore to share!..He loved his son and daughter and their families so much. Blake and Jackson had a special place in his his heart. Our Coop had many get-togethers over the years and Russ' much anticipated corned beef dip was always a hit. We enjoyed his company and his good humor. He made our corner of the world a better place. I feel blessed to have known him. He will be missed and always remembered. Rest in peace Russ. Ada Dolloff*

Ada Dolloff - November 14, 2022 at 02:59 PM