



## Russell William Wallace

November 29, 1980 - January 11, 2021

On Monday January 11th, 2021, Russell William Wallace beloved son, brother, father and friend of Providence Forge, passed away at the age of 40.

Russ was born on November 29th, 1980 to Cody Wallace and Annette Suarez in West Virginia. Russ was a proud member of The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) where he made many close friends that were like family to him. Russ was proud of the work he did for Miller Lighthouse, at the upcoming Facebook plant in Sandston. He was very proud of his work, school, and to be able to have the opportunities they gave him. Russ had a passion for hunting and fishing; he loved to be outside with music playing. Russ loved to be with his family and friends and smiled 100% of the time he was with them. Russ enjoyed many trips to the Outer Banks with his step Father and brother-in-law where he would fish from sunrise to sundown. Russ's favorite night of the week was his sister's Taco Tuesdays, when she always made sure he had plenty of his favorite tomatoes, no matter if she was aggravated with him or not.

Russ loved to listen to his son talk about what level he was playing in Fortnite, even though he had no idea what any of it meant. Russ spent many of his nights with his phone in hand reaching out and taking selfies to send to his girlfriend. He would text her every minute she wasn't beside him. Russ loved the last few years of his life because he got to be with the woman whom he

loved most in this world, his mom. Russ did everything with a full heart; he loved with 100% of his heart, he cared with 100% of his heart, and he smiled with 100% of his heart. When people think of Russ, they think of his smile and they can't help but smile too.

Russ is survived by his son, Gabe Wallace, who he loved more than anything; his mother who he looked up to, Annette Suarez; his step father who was his biggest supporter, Mike Suarez; his father who he loved, Cody Wallace; his sister who he was so proud of, Jessica Stanley; the brother he wished he had gotten instead of a sister, Chris Stanley; his loving girlfriend who he wanted nothing but greatness for, Mary Burg; his grandmother who he loved very much, Dorothy Tanner; his beloved niece, Cameryn Stanley; his best friend of 20 years, Sam Tom; and many more friends.

Celebration of Life to be held at a later day. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you donate to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation at [www.JDRF.org/donate](http://www.JDRF.org/donate).

# Tribute Wall

JS

“ *Bubbie,  
I'll never forget your smile, your laugh or your hugs. I still can't believe your gone. I keep waiting for you to walk in the front door! I just want one more day. I wish I could tell you I love you and hug you one more time. You were the best big brother anyone could have and I am truly lucky to have known the love we had. I will always love you and keep you in my heart. Now you rest Bubbie, I love you!*



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**Jessica Stanley** - January 19, 2021 at 09:25 PM

FK

“ *Its hard to believe that your really gone thanks for being there for me when I needed a friend and I still talk about the beach trip I had fun with you and your family until we meet again R.I.P my friend*

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**Forma Keiffer** - January 19, 2021 at 02:30 PM

AS

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**Angie smith** - January 18, 2021 at 11:19 PM

SU

*I remember this like it was yesterday, I was so proud as a mom that he asked my daughter to the prom, he was always so nice and sweet and always very respectful he will always be loved and missed praying 🙏 for everyone*

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**Susan** - January 19, 2021 at 09:24 AM

JR

“*Russ....?????man our escapades were short but man I remember that u were 100%real genuine and the type of person who gives his last anything to even his acquaintances he didn't really care for ..we had some REAL FUN .. also but I was a little too wild i think cause I never saw u again after I finally got home ..I hope we were on the same spot body mind and spirit when u took this walk man ..*

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**Jackie Ramsey** - January 18, 2021 at 11:17 PM

AS

“Wow..the memories of you are over flowing now that you are gone..it started for you and I as a teenager barely 13 to be exact you and a boyfriend at the time were buddies so that's how we come to meet..and as we got to know one another you became my bestfriend I remember standing in my mom's kitchen on a corded land line phone talking to you every evening for hours and hours my mom would have to make me get off the phone..then became prom..you was a junior and is freshman and you actually was dating a friend of ours but you wanted to take the prettiest girl you knew you said your best friend which was me..and I was so scared and nervous until you came got me and then it was just like a weekend at the game room I had a blast my first prom with my bestfriend where did the time go..but the most greatest bestest ever memory of you was probably the most craziest and it made everyone so jealous and kept them guessing and it is still crazy to this day..you tattooed my name ANGIE..your very first tattoo your self on your lower abdomen is n a place most bestfriends wouldn't do unless there was more to the story but that's just it..that kept them guessing and over the years I have had plenty of your ex's and your girlfriend's come to me and say when did you and rusty have a thing....I would say what do u meanand before they answered I already knew what they were about to ask and I would say we never dated..I have never so much as kissed him and still I have never even saw it on you...and that is something I cherish and forever will remember alot of firsts with my childhood bestfriend...well I hope your still keeping the guessing BecuZ I knew my place with you and nobody could come between that one day I stand beside hand maybe then we can have another good laugh..cuz you my friend was one of a kind forevet in my heart you will stay...and you left pieces of you with everyone you met goodbye my friend ...your ANGIE

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Angie smith - January 18, 2021 at 10:33 PM

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*Condolences to all the family, May God ease the pain, and give you strength*

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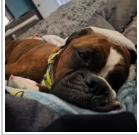
**Phyllis Tanner** - January 19, 2021 at 10:24 AM

SA

“ *There’s nothing more gut-wrenching than losing a son, a father or a loved one. It bears the same weight for me for I have lost a dear friend. He was the most loyal friend I have ever met. We were from two different worlds and yet connected on a completely different level. We would go for months, even years without talking and when we did, we’d picked up right where we left off. He was someone who would always have my corner. He would give you the shirt right off his back, and he literally has for me. He was the perfect friend even though we had very little in common. They say that we don’t get to choose our family but I chose him as my brother. My deepest sympathies to his family and all of those whose lives he’s touched. He will surely be missed. May you Rest In Peace. Love you buddy.*

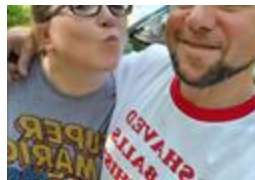
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**Sam** - January 18, 2021 at 05:38 PM



“ I shared a different kind of love with Rusty and saw a side of him that nobody ever saw. He would do anything in his power to make me giggle he said my giggle melted his heart. He pushed every boundary he could with me because he thought in his mind it would make our love stronger and more special and it did. Over the last year we spent so much time together doing the things that we both loved and he taught me to love things I've never done. Rusty was a very special kind of man. He never wanted to hurt anyone's feelings and he loved everyone no matter what. He would do anything for anyone. His heart was bigger than most and his smile was contagious. All he had to do was smile at me and all was right in the world. I told him that I felt like the luckiest girl in the world to be able to be loved by him. He had a way of making me feel like i was the only person in a room full of 30 people. We loved each other unconditionally.

*Rusty you will always be my one true love. My heart will never beat the same with you gone, my eyes with never sparkle like they did when you looked into them, my giggle may never come back, my breath will never be taken away like it was when I felt your touch. I lost a part of myself when I lost you. Until we are reunited again love you handsome.*



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**Mary Burg** - January 18, 2021 at 11:12 AM

MS

“ My earliest memory of Rusty goes all the way back to junior high. He sat behind me in class and would throw paper in my hair, followed by random notes. He always had the biggest mischievous smile on his face. His smile was contagious,, one I grew to love. Rusty spent a lot of time at my house when we were younger, growing into family. He had a larger than life personality and the biggest oh heart to match. He became one of those rare people you you find in life that remains a forever friend. Our memories of him are endless treasures. Prayers for his family and friends. He was so loved and will forever be missed. " We'll be seeing you on the other side of the stars my dear friend."❤️

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**Miranda Salisbury** - January 15, 2021 at 01:44 PM

SH

“ Russ, you will be missed. Sending prayers up for your family. Love Shawanda(Redd)

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**shawanda** - January 15, 2021 at 07:55 AM

ES

“ Though I only had met Russ a few times, I enjoyed my time with him. He was a very kind person that really bonded with my brother Mike. He enjoyed life and we will miss his smile and kind heart.

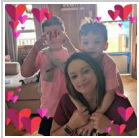
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**Ed Suarez** - January 14, 2021 at 11:48 PM

GL

“ I did not know Russ as long as most of the people who write here. I got to know him through my friend Mike Suarez, Russ’ step father. Russ was a man who liked to do guy things. He liked fishing, hunting, shooting pool, playing horseshoes and riding his four wheeler. He was a nice guy, all you had to do was ask and he would help you out. He would give you vegetables that he grew in his garden. He loved his family, he loved Gabe, he loved his mother, he loved Mike, he loved his sister and he loved his grandmother. I had not met Mary except briefly but I could tell by his posts on Facebook he was smitten. Russ was a wonderful man and will be missed.

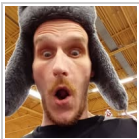
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**Gary Lupton** - January 14, 2021 at 09:59 PM



“ I am completely shocked and lost for words... This was a great man and wonderful friend to so many... His smile would light a room... My heart goes out to his family Annette, And Jess I can't even imagine your pain. And Mary I'm just so very sorry for you ❤️



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**Nicole Huddleston** - January 14, 2021 at 09:37 PM



“ I've known this man for over 20 years. There is way too much to share here but he is DEEPLY missed.

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**Jarrett Walker** - January 14, 2021 at 03:50 PM

MF

“ I have sat an wondered what I would write. Well Rusty an I had this friendship. No matter how much time passed we picked up like we had just saw each other 5 minutes ago. In high school if you saw him I was either by his side or close by. We went to prom together, I would cut his hair for him using butterfly hair clips, senior skip day camping trip where he was my body guard, marched out together on graduation day and so much more. Last year we went to see Christmas light together and it was the best time I'd had in a long time. We just sat an talked like old friends would. He always made sure to tell me how beautiful he thought I was and that I've always been to pretty. He always made me smile no matter what.

*I will definitely miss Rusty but I will remember all the wonderful amazing memories we shared. My thoughts and prayers are with his family at the difficult time. I love you all! To Rusty it's not good bye friend it's I'll see you soon. I will always love you Rusty!*



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**Missy Dawn Friend** - January 14, 2021 at 02:01 PM

PL

“ Russell was my right hand man at work. Never shirked a task or complained. Honest, loving, delightful fellow who kept a smile on everyone's face... I never had to worry as long as Russ was around. Love you buddy, and miss you dearly.

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**Parker Laipple** - January 14, 2021 at 01:53 PM