



## Russell Michael Coleman

February 19, 1952 - September 26, 2025

Russell “Russ” Coleman — a proud father, grandfather, skilled steamfitter, and friend, passed away peacefully on September 26, 2025, surrounded by family. Born on February 19, 1952, in Camp Hill, Pennsylvania, to Russell and Leah Coleman, Russ was the youngest of twins, alongside his sister Leah “Ginger” Gosling of Bradenton, Florida, and younger brothers, Jeffrey Coleman of Maple Shade, New Jersey and Dennis Coleman of Middletown, Pennsylvania. Russ grew up in Northeast Philadelphia, he was hard working and loved Philadelphia sports. He frequently told stories about his California adventure and when he returned back home, Russ started a remarkable 40-year career as a steamfitter with Local 420. Russ finished his career working as a fitter for the Philadelphia Eagles and enjoyed telling stories about Lincoln Financial Field.

Russ and his former wife, Monica Swoyer Coleman, raised three children, Patrick Coleman of Florida, Monica Bennett of Hampstead, North Carolina, and Timothy Coleman of Wilmington, North Carolina. Russ moved his family out of the city and in time, settled in Chalfont, Pennsylvania.

A tireless worker throughout his life, Russ believed deeply in the value of education and athletics for his children. It was important to him that they had every opportunity to succeed, and he took great pride in sending them to private schools through high school and college.

Russ was a valuable friend to have, he knew something about everything and loved reliving the old days, recapping a Phillies game, or quoting favorite

movies. He is missed. He is survived by his three children, four grandchildren, five nieces and nephews, and countless friends who will miss him dearly. Please note there will be a private service at Saint Marks Catholic Church on Monday, October 20 at 10 AM.

# Tribute Wall

DG

“ I am Russells neighbor, he was the most generous person and a Christian. We sheared land Care information. Russell being a pipe fitter, he was very knowledgeable about so many things around the house. We would go to the beach, out to dinner and to free concerts and always had lots of fun and good conversations. Russell loved to talk about his children and grandkids also his siblings and planning trips to visit them. Russell loved sports, especially The Phillies and the Eagles, while working for the Eagles he was given a lot shirt, he was very proud to display his team flag on his lawn. Russell I miss you my best friend.

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**Doris Gatling-Johnson** - October 16, 2025 at 03:08 PM

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“ In loving memory of Russell Michael Coleman. Steven Pellegrino planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Russell Michael Coleman.

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**Steven Pellegrino** - October 16, 2025 at 01:15 PM

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**Doris Gatling-Johnson** - October 16, 2025 at 12:55 PM

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“ Russ was a great guy, he was not only my coworker, but also my friend. I will never forget working with him and all of the accomplishments that he has achieved. I am deeply saddened to hear this news, but will keep all of the fond memories of him close to my heart. My thoughts and prayers are with his family and may he rest in peace.

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**Keith Gottlieb** - October 15, 2025 at 06:45 PM

JG

“ I had the good fortune of knowing Russ for well over 50 years, not only as a member of Steamfitters Local 420 but as a friend growing up in the Rhawnhurst section of Philadelphia. When working with Russ he would always keep everyone laughing with his unusual sense of humor. He was also one of the most intelligent persons I had ever worked with. I learned so much about HVAC service from Russ. He was always willing to share his extensive knowledge about our trade. We both ended our work lives at Lincoln Financial Field working for the EAGLES. I got to see Russ almost everyday for the 8 years we spent working there. We had many laughs and good times working together. Russ was a great friend and Steamfitter and will be truly missed by many. My heart felt condolences go out to his family and will be my thoughts and prayers.

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**Joe Gazzara** - October 15, 2025 at 11:06 AM

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**A friend or family member** - October 14, 2025 at 08:42 PM

DG

“ I was Russell neighbor and very good friend. He was a very good person and always willing to help. Russell loved his family and siblings , he was always talking about them and planning a visit to see them. Russell was also a christian. We would go to the beach, share many meals and conversations together about life and family., I miss him very much.

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**Doris Gatling-Johnson** - October 14, 2025 at 06:03 PM

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“ I was so sorry to hear about Russ's passing. I meant him about 38 years ago while coaching Warminster Baseball. He got me into coaching with him for soccer which I knew nothing about. We coached together with his son Tim and my son on the team. Great guy. RIP Russ

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**Paul Quinn** - October 14, 2025 at 01:52 PM