



Raymond "Randy" James Piekarski Jr.

October 17, 1953 - March 13, 2025

Raymond "Randy" James Piekarski, Jr., of Wilmington, DE, passed away on March 13, 2025. Randy was born in Baltimore, Maryland. Family was everything to Randy. Randy, aka, the Hon, met Deb at Comegy's after a softball game. They were married in 1990. He was devoted to his wife and very proud of his sons. Many memories were made with them as they enjoyed being together especially at the beach - eating crabs and surf fishing. Next to family, he loved volunteering to coach. He coached baseball for Piedmont and St. Elizabeth's and played softball for the Crab Trap. Baseball and softball were a passion for Randy. Many great friends and long-lasting friendships were made through sports. Randy attended St. Peter's Cathedral in Wilmington, DE and Salesianum High School where he excelled at football. He attended University Delaware and was a brother of Theta Chi. Randy retired from Union Wholesale after many years of dedicated service. He was a member of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church.

Randy was one of a kind. A few of Randy's favorite quotes were, "I can't wait for tomorrow because I get better looking every day" and "Don't worry about me..." Randy was known for his sarcasm, comebacks and jokes and could always make you smile. He cared for others and always put others first: family, friends and neighbors. Randy could be found at St. Elizabeth's sporting events where he sold the tickets for football, volleyball, and basketball--where he was known as the pretzel "B".

Randy is survived by his cherished wife of 34 years, Deborah Piekarski; sons, Raymond Piekarski III and Michael Piekarski (Karli); sister, Nikki Piekarski (Scott); brother-in-law, Tommy Stryzs (Beth); nieces, Katie Pingitore (Greg) and Ally Stryzs (Max); nephew, Garrett Stryzs (Talia); and great-niece and great-nephew, Dakota and Mavrick. He was preceded in death by his parents, Raymond (Bonnie) and Clare Piekarski; and sister, Christine Dougherty. Randy will be dearly missed by all and by his beloved family dog, Luka.

A visitation will be held Thursday, March 20, 2025, from 10-11:30 AM at St. Elizabeth Roman Catholic Church, 809 S Broom St, Wilmington, DE 19805 followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 11:30. Burial will follow at All Saints Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Deborah Piekarski for an educational fund for great niece and nephew Dakota and Mavrick or the baseball team at St. Elizabeth's High School. For directions or to send an online condolence, visit www.stranofeeley.com.

Cemetery Details

All Saints Cemetery

6001 Kirkwood Highway
Wilmington, DE 19808

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 20. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Elizabeth Roman Catholic Church
809 South Broom Street
Wilmington, DE 19805

Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 20. 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Elizabeth Church
809 S. Broom St,
Wilmington, DE 19805

Tribute Wall

MW

“ *Deb-*

Earlier today, when Greg made me aware of Randy's passing today, I was heartsick. Times like these are time for family - including your F-Chem family. Feel our embrace and trust that everything will be all right.

Mark and Patty Wolff

Mark Wolff - March 20, 2025 at 01:43 PM

ED

“ *Randy - RIP. You were a joy to be around - I still remember you harassing me at St. E and St. Mark's softball games - Sad to hear you left us - we could have used a few more like you. Ed Doyle*

Edward T. Doyle - March 20, 2025 at 11:58 AM

KO

“ *Our deepest sympathies to Debbie, Raymond and Michael and the entire Piekarski family over Randy's passing. I only had the pleasure of meeting Randy a couple times but could tell what a great guy he was and how much he was loved from Deb's family stories.*

*All our love,
Kevin and Val O'Shea*

Kevin O'Shea - March 20, 2025 at 08:49 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Raymond "Randy" James Piekarski Jr..



March 19, 2025 at 09:30 AM



“ Love, Doug and Betty purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Raymond "Randy" James Piekarski Jr..



Love, Doug and Betty - March 19, 2025 at 08:54 AM



“ My sincere condolences to Debbie and family on passing of Randy. What a great guy he was.
RIP Randy.
Joe Dugan

Joe Dugan - March 18, 2025 at 09:09 AM



“ Debbie and family,
I am so sorry to hear of Randy's passing. I always enjoyed talking with him at Comegy's always friendly and easy to talk to. It was always a pleasure to see the both of you. My sincere condolences to you Debbie and your family at this difficult time.
RIP Randy, Ann Marie Banack

Ann Marie Banack - March 17, 2025 at 01:41 PM

JC

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Randy always had a smile for me when we saw each other at St. E's. He will always be my Pretzel B.

Joann Corradin - March 17, 2025 at 12:23 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Raymond "Randy" James Piekarski Jr..

March 17, 2025 at 11:50 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Raymond "Randy" James Piekarski Jr..



March 17, 2025 at 11:50 AM

AR

“ I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Randy. I first met Randy while playing with Rappa Plumbing. "Turnpike" as he was affectionately known, fit right in with the cast of characters on that squad. Always entertaining and a good guy. My prayers go out to Randy's entire family at this difficult time. Rapp

Al Rappaport - March 16, 2025 at 02:54 PM

PP

“ My sincere condolences to the Piekarski family. Randy was a good man and coach to alot of kids. He will be sorely missed by all and especially the St. Elizabeth community. Paul Papili

Paul Papili - March 16, 2025 at 02:15 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Raymond "Randy" James Piekarski Jr..*



March 16, 2025 at 09:38 AM



“ *My sincere sympathy to Debbie ,Raymond and Michael and all the Piekarski family for the loss of Randy . He is a great person for everyone to emulate with his friendly and easy going personality . He was quite a character with his sense of humor and he was liked and admired by all who him. I'm happy and honored to have been friends with him for most of my life. Rest in peace my Brother !!*

Rob Maloney - March 15, 2025 at 09:17 PM



“ *Dear Piekarski Family,
I knew Randy through baseball coaching at StE's and also Babe Ruth. He was a warm friendly guy and a true gentleman! May the many fond memories help to bring you some comfort.
Joe Dvorak*

Joseph dvorak - March 15, 2025 at 12:27 PM



“ *The Bradleys, Aunt Dolores, Cousin Chris planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Raymond "Randy" James Piekarski Jr..*

The Bradleys, Aunt Dolores, Cousin Chris - March 15, 2025 at 11:50 AM

TC

“ *The Bradleys, Aunt Dolores, Cousin Chris purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Raymond "Randy" James Piekarski Jr..*



The Bradleys, Aunt Dolores, Cousin Chris - March 15, 2025 at 11:50 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Raymond "Randy" James Piekarski Jr..*



March 14, 2025 at 08:58 PM