



## Mr. Raymond B. Stanis Jr. of Chicago

June 20, 1947 - August 5, 2021

Raymond B. Stanis Jr., 74, of Chicago, Illinois.

Best dad, best husband, best brother, and best Papa. Ray touched so many lives, personally and professionally. He was passionate about whatever he did in life; family, work, cycling, he dedicated his life to being the best he could be. Ray was a mentor to many, whether it be coaching school sports or teaching his trade to his apprentices. Devoted and loving husband of Nancy, married for 51 years. Attended Maryknoll Seminary where he developed a solid foundation and met lifelong friends. Successful business owner of MBR Tool, whose legacy will continue for many years to come. The simple things in life brought him the most joy; sitting in his backyard, birdwatching, observing nature and if you truly knew Ray, riding his bike. True to his life, Ray spent his last day doing the things he loved most. Gone too soon, but will never be forgotten.

Loving husband of Nancy Stanis, nee Arispe; beloved father of Michelle (Jay) Woodson, Raymond Stanis, Bridget (James Gallagher) Stanis and the late Luke Anthony Stanis; cherished grandfather of Calista, Kenny, Tod, Luca, Ronan, Cole, Luke and Peyton; devoted brother of Pamela Barlow, Patricia Stanis, Mary (Jerry) Stanis-Mason, Judy (Nick Koukourakis) Stanis and Joe (Debra) Stanis; fond uncle of many nieces and nephews.

Family and Friends will meet Tuesday, August 17, 2021 from 10:00 A.M. to time of Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 A.M. at Immaculate Conception Church, 7211 West Talcott Avenue, Chicago, IL 60631.

In lieu of flowers donations to Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers (<https://donate.maryknoll.org/EFT/custom/MaryknollFB/BlockCodeMulti2/Donation1.cfm?d2org=MaryknollFB&d2tool=Donation>) or Greater Chicago Food Depository ([https://secure.chicagosfoodbank.org/site/Donation2;jsessionid=00000000.app20014a?11834.donation=form1&df\\_id=11834&s\\_src=0721E4C&s\\_subsrc=hpb&utm\\_source=wp&utm\\_medium=banner&utm\\_campaign=hpb&\\_ga=2.91119770.104467109.1628548381-735827726.1628548381&NONCE\\_TOKEN=FC6206EDEC1936F6B96009E07F442E46](https://secure.chicagosfoodbank.org/site/Donation2;jsessionid=00000000.app20014a?11834.donation=form1&df_id=11834&s_src=0721E4C&s_subsrc=hpb&utm_source=wp&utm_medium=banner&utm_campaign=hpb&_ga=2.91119770.104467109.1628548381-735827726.1628548381&NONCE_TOKEN=FC6206EDEC1936F6B96009E07F442E46)) would be greatly appreciated by the family.

The family has created this Life Tributes page to make it easy to share your memories, photos, and videos. For further information please contact the Morizzo Funeral Directors at 847.752.6444.

# Cemetery Details

**The Directors at Morizzo Funeral Home entrusted with any Visitation, Funeral & Committal; requested.**

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(Northeast corner at Barrington Road)  
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169  
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# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 17.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church  
7211 W Talcott Ave  
Chicago, IL 60631

## Mass of Christian Burial

**AUG 17.** 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Raymond B. Stanis Jr. of Chicago*

November 04, 2022 at 06:54 PM



“ *I am shocked and so sorry to hear of Ray's passing. He always was an inspiring person to me and I will miss him greatly.*

**Michael Bradbury** - August 17, 2021 at 01:18 PM



“ *Dear Nancy and family, As you know, Larry went to high school with Ray and we have been in touch with him since then. We had dinner with friends about two weeks before he died. In our last meeting he discussed a book he was reading by a Catholic theologian. The book discussed a common definition of a moral life across religions and cultures. Ray easily met the definition. He looked out for and loved his family. He dealt with everyone with integrity and respect. He felt that any question asked him deserved an honest and straight answer, so we always learned something from our conversations. Mary and I were fortunate to have him as a friend. We will both miss him. Mary and I are sorry for your loss. Larry and Mary*

**Larry Gavin** - August 17, 2021 at 09:47 AM

MF

*My name is Mauro Di Fiore. I met Ray when he was hired probably his first full time job at FMC corporation in MELROSE PK, IL. We worked together until the place closed in 1970. I lived in Chicago and he lived a few blocks from the place we worked at with his parents. I told him to come to Chicago on weekends and I introduced him to my friends. We hung out for a few years and that's where he met his wife Nancy Arispe. After he got married we went our separate ways. Ray was very good person and got along very well with everyone he met. I just found out he passed and I'm so sorry I missed it all. Mauro. I was known at that time as MARIO and I was a close friend with Nancy's brother Angelo. God Bless.*

**Mauro Di Fiore** - March 11, 2025 at 10:02 PM

MS

*Hello Mauro, this is Michelle, Ray's daughter. I apologize, I'm just reading this now and I doubt you'll ever see this but I want to say thank you for such kind words and a touching glimpse of his past. I was actually born in 1971, so probably not a great time for your employer to shut their doors! You and FMC sound very familiar because my Dad spoke of you often. I want you to know that my Dad was a man of few words and only spoke about experiences and people that left a profound impression on him. Thank you again. This means more than you know ☐*

**michelle stanis** - March 11, 2025 at 11:29 PM

HW

*“ My memory is that the two of you always looked so in love. I'm so sorry to hear of Mr. Stanis' passing and we will keep your family in our prayers.*

**Heather Walsh** - August 13, 2021 at 07:26 PM

PH

“ Dear Nancy and family,

*Jan and I are sorry to hear of your unexpected lost of Ray. We were happy to reconnect with you and Ray at our Maryknoll Reunions. We offer our prayers and thoughts of consolation to you and your family in Ray's passing and the knowledge that in all things Love is Everlasting. With Love, Pierre and Janny Hebert.*

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**Pierre Hebert** - August 11, 2021 at 06:34 PM

RU

“ Dear Nancy & Family,

*We had the great honor of doing business with Ray, Nancy & Michelle at MBR Tool for many years. Ray was such an intelligent and trustworthy person. His family was everything to him. It was such a shock to hear of his passing because he was so strong and in such good shape. Had more respect for him than anyone we know.*

*"Rest in Peace My Friend"*

*Ross & Leo*

*AJG Inc.*

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**Ross Urso** - August 11, 2021 at 09:38 AM

DR

“ Nancy and family,

*So very sorry to hear about Ray's passing. Sending up prayers for strength and peace for you and the entire family during this incredibly hard time.*

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**Dina Rees** - August 10, 2021 at 11:52 PM

NB

“ *Pretty sure we were at St. JOHN VIANNEY at the same time..and we were born almost the same day ( I'm June 21 1947) condolences to your family.*

Nancy (Caldwell) Backenkeller - August 10, 2021 at 07:56 PM

PE

“ *Dear Nancy and family I'm so sorry to hear about buddy I always loved you guys and watching the kids (years sgo) my prayers are with you. Penny*



Penny - August 10, 2021 at 06:59 PM

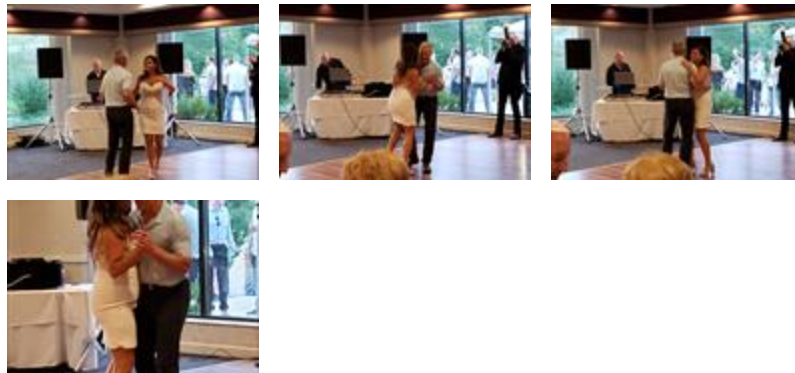
AK

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss, Stanis family. Sending hugs.*

Amy Kern - August 10, 2021 at 05:08 PM

RC

“ *4 files added to the tribute wall*



Rachel Carman - August 10, 2021 at 02:17 PM

KM

“ Nancy and family, I am shocked to hear about Buddy. He was always so kind my heart goes out to all of you love Karen Hansen Miller

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**Karen Miller** - August 10, 2021 at 01:02 PM

MM

“ Dear Stanis Family.

We am so sorry for your loss.

Ray was my son Eric's basketball coach. He was such a nurturing soul and so dedicated to making the kids good players and good sports. Since that time I have gotten to know Bridgett and, through her, understand what a great father and husband he's been.

You will all remain in our prayers.

Sincerely,

Bob and Maria McCabe

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**Maria McCabe** - August 09, 2021 at 07:21 PM

JM

Our dear friend Nancy and family..... we are shocked and so heartbroken 💔 over the passing of Ray. He was the best, kind, loving, gentle man. We will NEVER forget his smiling face and the sparkle in his beautiful blue eyes. He did live his life the way he wanted to until the last day, biking made him very happy, he is gone way to soon and we will cherish his memory, no tears in heaven, we are the ones left to cry, until we meet again dear Ray, until we meet again.....Love, always and forever..... Jim and Ro 💙🙏💙

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**Jim and Rosanne Monaco** - August 10, 2021 at 02:07 PM

JM

*Our dear friend Nancy and family, we are shocked and heartbroken 💔 over the passing of Ray. We will NEVER forget how kind, loving, and the best man he was. He lived his life the way he wanted to until the last day of his life.... biking! We will never forget his bright smile and the sparkle in his beautiful blue eyes. We will miss him and always remember the good times....no tears in heaven, we are the ones left behind to cry.....until we meet again Ray, until we meet again....🌈 Love, always and forever.... Jim and Ro.....*

**Jim and Rosanne Monaco** - August 10, 2021 at 02:20 PM



*Nancy and family, our thoughts and prayers are with you. Nancy and Ray sparkle together - a beautiful love match. Such a kind man, Ray was surely sent straight to heaven and is still supporting his dearly loved family from above. Prayers that the Lord guides you all through this difficult time. Frank and Donna Bedtke*

**Madre Bedtke** - August 29, 2021 at 07:28 PM



“ *Dear Nancy and Family,*

*We are so sorry to hear of this great loss. Ray was a wonderful man and will be deeply missed.*

*Fondly,*

*Larry & Pam Faulkner, Nate Perkins & the Green Bay Cycles Staff*

**Larry Pam** - August 09, 2021 at 01:17 PM

JL

“ Dear Nancy and Family,

*We were so sorry to hear about your loss and that you are going through this tragedy. There are no other words we can say. Ray and you are in are prayers at this very sad time.*

*Love,  
Dave Lilek and JoAnn (Sannasardo) Lilek*

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**JoAnn Lilek** - August 09, 2021 at 12:25 PM

TG

*Stanis Family, as I sit here thinking about Ray and your family, I remember so many wonderful times shared. We both married young, raised our children together, and spent many happy occasions throughout the years. As couples, we enjoyed long marriages and all the happiness that comes with love and respect. Your father and husband was truly a sincere and devoted family man and it was a joy to have known him.*

*Tom and Nancy De Gustino*

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**Thomas De GUSTINO** - August 10, 2021 at 01:08 PM

GL

*I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. He will always be with you and your family in the wonderful memories you both created. Keeping you and your family in my prayers.*

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**Georgia Lamonica** - August 10, 2021 at 01:55 PM