



Peggy Louise Russ

September 25, 1927 - October 23, 2025

Peggy Louise Russ (Ellis) age 98 of Chipley, FL, passed away peacefully on Thursday October 23, 2025.

Born in Joliet, Illinois on September 25, 1927, she married our father, Stephen W. Russ, on June 22, 1946.

She was a beautiful and wonderful mother, grandma, great-grandma, and great-great-grandma. A woman that anyone could hope to call their own. She was greatly loved by all who knew her.

Her passion was the church. She was a member of St. Joseph the Worker in Chipley, FL for more than 40 years.

The list of responsibilities she took on were being a Member of the Ladies Guild, a Member of the Choir, a Lector, and was building administrator, to name a few. She also served on the Parish Council, presided over Communion Services, and served as Sacristan.

Her second passion was fun and games. Specifically, bingo and the casino with friends and family. Fiercely independent, as soon as the casino doors opened and we all would enter, Peg was off to the races and nowhere to be seen. Only later to find her lighting up on her own, just like the slot machines in front of her. Biloxi, MS and the bingo hall were a second home for her. A place where she could relax and have a good time.

She was preceded in death by her husband Stephen W. Russ Sr., her daughter Nancy Schmidt, her sons-in-law's James Schmidt, Leonard Lipinski, Charles Anderson, and Steven DeLuca, her grandson's RJ Williams, Charlie

Anderson, and great-great grand baby Sophie Lee Askey (Lipinski).

Left to mourn her passing are her daughters Janice (Leonard) Lipinski, Patricia (Charles) Anderson, Kathleen Brant, Barbara (Steven) DeLuca, and son Stephen (Marion) Russ, Jr., and also her 18 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren, and 8 great-great-grandchildren (soon to be 1 more).

Also left to mourn her passing included numerous friends. Especially Deidre, David, and the Cass girls, and Kathy McDonald and MaryJane Benson, who had a special place in their hearts for her.

The funeral service will be held at St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church in Chipley, FL on November 8, 2025 at 10:00am with a reception in the church hall, following a burial at Wachob-Forest Lawn Memorial Cemetery at 912 Brickyard Rd., Chipley, Fl.

Family being assisted by Skip, Trey and Heather with Family FHC.

Cemetery Details

Wachob-Forest Lawn Memorial Cemetery

912 Brickyard Rd
Chipley , FL 32428

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

NOV 8. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church
1664 Main St
Chipley, FL 32428

Reception in church hall following burial at Wachob-Forest Lawn Memorial Cemetery.

Burial

NOV 8. 11:00 AM (CT)

Wachob-Forest Lawn Memorial Cemetery
912 Brickyard Rd
Chipley, FL 32428

Reception to follow at St. Josephs the Worker Catholic Church.

Tribute Wall

KD

“ Ken & Joan Deluca purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Peggy Louise Russ.



Ken & Joan Deluca - November 06, 2025 at 10:39 AM

FF

“ From the Schmidt family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Peggy Louise Russ.



From the Schmidt family - November 05, 2025 at 05:15 PM

ME

“ Much Love, Laura and Ron Edwards purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Peggy Louise Russ.



Much Love, Laura and Ron Edwards - November 03, 2025 at 12:44 PM

TF

“ The Austvold Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Peggy Louise Russ.

The Austvold Family - November 01, 2025 at 11:29 AM

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“ The Austvold Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Peggy Louise Russ.



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“ The Lipinski Family purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Peggy Louise Russ.



The Lipinski Family - October 31, 2025 at 06:59 AM

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The Lipinski Family - October 31, 2025 at 06:59 AM

JO

“ *Barb and family, I am so sorry you have lost a true gem for a mother and friend. I was very happy to meet her a couple of times when she was with you. She had the friendliest nature and a wonderful smile and laugh. How fortunate for you all that you got to have her with you for such a long time. My sincere sympathy, but I know the many good times you all shared together will be the laughs you continue to have when you think about her.*



Johanna O'Brien, Palm Beach Gardens, FL

Johanna OBrien - October 30, 2025 at 08:14 PM

LB

Aunt Peggy also had a sister and a brother, 2 nieces and 2 nephews who loved her and will miss her.

Lori Kay Boesch - November 09, 2025 at 06:58 PM