



Robert J. "Zink" Szykowski, Sr.

May 13, 1935 - February 22, 2026

Robert J. "Zink" Szykowski, Sr., 90, of North Tonawanda, NY, passed away peacefully on February 22, 2026, at home surrounded by his family under the care of Niagara Hospice. Born on May 13, 1935, to Walter and Pauline (Woloszyn) Szykowski, Robert was a proud U.S. Army veteran and a retiree of Twin Lakes Chemical Inc.

A lifelong member of the Third Warder's Social Club, Robert loved softball, coaching, and cheering for the Buffalo Bills and New York Yankees. His grandchildren and great-grandchildren were his greatest joy.

Robert was predeceased by his wife Barbara (Kendziora) Szykowski, his parents, and his brother Gerald Szykowski. He is survived by his children Bob (Mary) Szykowski, Jr.; Debbie Novak; and Mark (Kathleen) Szykowski, as well as his brother-in-law Bill (Nancy) Kendziora, six grandchildren Rob Novak, Ali (Jake) Lipowski, Lauren (Jeff) Carvalho, Shannon (Nick) Szykowski, Katy Szykowski, and Alex (Andrea) Hall, and two great-grandchildren Landon Lipowski, and Avery Hall, also surviving are many nieces and nephews.

Family will be present to meet friends Thursday, 3:00 –7:00 P.M., at Wattengel Funeral Home, 533 Meadow Drive, North Tonawanda. A Mass of Christian Burial will take place Friday at 11:30 A.M. at Our Lady of Czestochowa R.C. Church, 626 Oliver Street, North Tonawanda, followed by burial at Mt. Olivet Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made in Robert's memory to Niagara Hospice.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Olivet Cemetery

4000 Elmwood Ave.
Kenmore, NY 14217

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 26. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Wattengel Funeral Home (Meadow Drive)
533 Meadow Drive
North Tonawanda, NY 14120
(716) 693-0440
wattengelfh@gmail.com
<https://www.wattengel.com>

Mass of Christian Burial

FEB 27. 11:30 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Czestochowa Church
626 Oliver Street
North Tonawanda, NY 14120
(716) 693-3822

Tribute Wall

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“ *The Carvalho Family purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Robert J. "Zink" Szykowski, Sr..*



The Carvalho Family - February 26 at 08:49 AM

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“ *The Carvalho Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert J. "Zink" Szykowski, Sr..*

The Carvalho Family - February 26 at 08:49 AM

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“ *We are very sorry for your loss, and he was a kind and thoughtful man (a pleasure to know). You're in our thoughts and prayers. Love, Wayne and Kristin Carvalho*

Wayne and Kristin Carvalho - February 26 at 08:46 AM

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“ *Sandy Cheryl Mike Scott Eric Jacki purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Robert J. "Zink" Szykowski, Sr..*



Sandy Cheryl Mike Scott Eric Jacki - February 25 at 02:33 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Robert J. "Zink" Szykowski, Sr..*



February 24 at 03:24 PM



“ *Always had great conversations and good laughs, RIP Zink. My condolences to your family.*

Dave Bach - February 24 at 09:53 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert J. "Zink" Szykowski, Sr..*



February 23 at 04:10 PM