



Zygmunt "Ziggy" Piadlo Jr.

March 3, 1956 - November 22, 2024

Zygmunt (Ziggy) Piadlo Jr., 68 of North Tonawanda, passed on Friday November 22, 2024. Born on March 3rd, 1956 in Buffalo, NY, where he graduated from Cardinal Dougherty High School. After graduating, he enlisted in the United States Air Force where he excelled and was promoted to Sergeant. He returned home to Buffalo where "Mr. Ziggy" joined the Elmwood Franklin School family. There, he dedicated his career and passion for 40 years.

Ziggy was a strong-willed, self-taught jack of all trades. His knowledge of everything was unending. Family meant everything to him. He would do anything for his family and friends. In his free time, he was an avid outdoorsman. Ziggy especially loved fishing on his boat, being in the woods whether going for a walk or hunting. He was a revered member of the Niagara River Station fishing club. Ziggy spent his Sunday mornings making breakfast for all the members. He was known for his sausage making, everything he created always tasted amazing. If you were lucky enough to get any! To know Ziggy was to know he was the life of the party. He will forever be missed by all that knew him.

Ziggy is survived by his wife, Ruth, his sons Michael (Nichole), and Ziggy III (Bambi); grandchildren, Magenta, Spencer, Sophie and Emma. Also survived by his parents Zygmunt Sr. and Helen, siblings Roseann (Robert) Brunstad and Diane (Paul) Weil. Also survived by many nieces, nephews and many cousins.

Family and friends may call Tuesday November 26, 2024 from 4 to 8 PM at the WATTENGEL Funeral Home, 533 Meadow Drive in North Tonawanda. Funeral Services will be held at the Funeral Home on Wednesday November 27, 2024 at 2 PM.

In lieu of flowers please honor Ziggy's memory in the form of contributions to Elmwood Franklin School: <https://www.elmwoodfranklin.org/giving.html> This gift is: In memory of: Mr. Ziggy. Or Checks can be mailed to Elmwood Franklin School 104 New Amsterdam Ave, Buffalo NY 14216 Memo: In memory of Mr. Ziggy.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **26**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

NOV **27**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ I worked with Ziggy at EFS, including teaching a shop class in Ziggy's basement area. Ziggy was personable, funny and had a photographic memory as a bartender at faculty parties. I am sad I will never share another day with such a fun guy !

Brian Meegan - May 28 at 07:47 PM



“ So sorry to hear of the untimely passing of Ziggy. I met him at his father's home following the death of his uncle Matt. Ron Szypajlo

Ron Szypajlo - December 25, 2024 at 11:24 AM



“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Lucille Prudden - November 29, 2024 at 01:11 PM



Fishing off Boca Grande with Joe

Lucille Prudden - November 29, 2024 at 01:12 PM



Ziggy , Joe, Roseann

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DN

“ *Such wonderful memories of vacations and parties in the basement! A huge loss to everyone who knew him! Our deepest sympathies to Ruth and his family. Thinking of you at this difficult time. Rich and Diane Nicolas*

Diane Nicolas - November 25, 2024 at 07:39 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Zygmunt "Ziggy" Piadlo Jr..*



November 24, 2024 at 03:49 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Zygmunt "Ziggy" Piadlo Jr..*

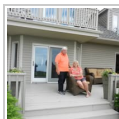
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Lucille Prudden - November 24, 2024 at 09:34 AM



Fishing with Paul and Joe on Lake Michigan

Lucille Prudden - November 24, 2024 at 09:36 AM

KA

“ I first met the Great cousin Ziggy when he “rescued “ us near the Niagara river. Kathy and Ed were on our boat and we ran aground. Somehow Kathy got a hold of Ziggy and he came to tow us back in. He was very gracious with a good amount of teasing! Ziggy always asked about my son Mark in the USMC whenever I saw him. Told me to tell him to stay safe. He also made me my first Mojito, the best I ever had with extra muddled mint! He got me to like sausage and jerky too! Thanks Ziggy for touching my life. I pray you are at peace. Many wishes for strength to Ruth and your family. Sincerely, Kit Anglum

Kathleen Anglum - November 23, 2024 at 11:23 PM

RB

Ziggy, you are imprinted in not only my childhood, but that of every person who walked into the doors at Elmwood Franklin. You not only brought your incredible sense of humor, but the love from your heart truly radiated into every crack and crevice in that school. I receive the news about your passing with a broken heart, but something tells me you are the most magnificent angel. You certainly were the most magnificent man. May you fly with the wind Ziggy. Thank you for touching my life in such a profound way.

Rebecca Bourke - November 24, 2024 at 09:58 AM

JM

“ Our children..,Ryan, Shamus, Leigh often talk about Elmwood Franklin years, Ziggy name comes up frequently with good memories..Prayers be with Ziggy.

Jim / Jane Mulderig... Pittsburgh, Pa

Jim Mulderig - November 23, 2024 at 07:47 PM