



Kurt R. Schmeling

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Kurt R. Schmeling, 70, of Syracuse, passed away on Saturday at St. Joseph's Hospital. He was born in Syracuse, the son of Kurt C. and Annette M. (Dragona) Schmeling. Kurt was employed with Carrier Corporation for 39 years before retiring in 1999. He was an officer of OCCP and CNY Conservatives Inc., an officer and active member of RSES and life member of the Pastime Athletic Club. Kurt was an instructor at BOCES HVAC Department and Local 58. He was chairman of NYS Skills USA, and a member of the Sheet Metal Workers Local 527. Kurt was an avid hunter, fisherman and traveler. He was predeceased by his daughter, Debra and brother, Bruce. Kurt is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Joan I. (Brusso) Schmeling; five children, Kurt D. Schmeling of Hastings, Derek R. (Julia) Schmeling of Liverpool, Sunday M. Darling of Syracuse, Bobbi J. (Mark) Merwin of Liverpool and Chad A. (Brooke) Schmeling of Liverpool; 12 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren; two brothers, Robert (Sandra) Schmeling of Clay, Donald Schmeling of Kirkville and several nieces, nephews and cousins. Funeral services will be held on Thursday at 10:00 AM in the THOMAS J. PIRRO JR. FUNERAL HOME. Burial will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery. Family and friends may call at the THOMAS J. PIRRO JR. FUNERAL HOME, 3401 Vickery Rd. (corner of Buckley Rd.) North Syracuse on Wednesday from 4 to 7 PM. Kurt's two loves were his family and education. In keeping his honor; his family asks that any donation be made to them. This will be created into an HVAC educational scholarship in memory of Kurt R. Schmeling.




Events

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Visitation

 **Wednesday**, December 14, 2011


 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET


 **Thomas J. Pirro Jr. Funeral Home**
3401 Vickery Rd, Syracuse NY 13212

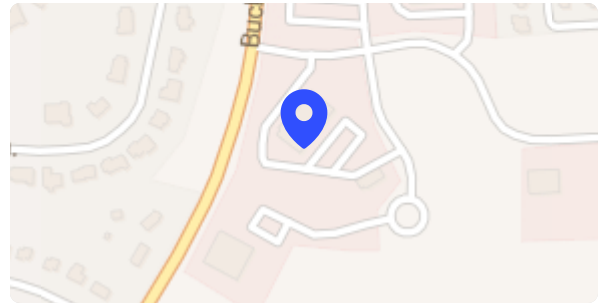


Service

 **Thursday**, December 15, 2011

 10:00 AM ET

 **Thomas J. Pirro Jr. Funeral Home**
3401 Vickery Rd, Syracuse NY 13212





Tribute Wall

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Thomas J. Pirro Jr. Funeral Home shared a **Tribute Video**.



December 9 at 8:00 PM



Bill Parlapiano posted:

First, I just learned this morning about Kurt's passing back in December and wanted to share a few words about him as I reflect on our friendship. My sincere condolences go out to his wife and family. I knew Kurt and met him through industry and RSES. He was a leader and someone who wanted to make a difference in the lives of others in his work and community service. Whether you agreed with Kurt or agreed to disagree from time to time you could always be sure that he would share his passion for what needed to be done and he would take on the challenges life threw his way. Great man that will be missed! Respectfully, Bill Parlapiano III Past International Director Region 2 RSES

March 6 at 2:52 AM



Tami (Pawlewitz) Miller lit a candle in honor of Kurt.



December 20 at 12:11 PM

TM Tami (Pawlewitz) Miller December 20 at 12:14 PM

My deepest sympathy goes out to you all at this time of loss! My thoughts and prayers are being sent to all of you! Love, Tami (Pawlewitz) Miller of Liverpool, NY



Jessica Maxwell posted:

Kurt was a committed member of the Public Power Coalition for many years. His presence will be missed. Our sympathies are with his family. Jessica & friends from the Public Power Coalition

December 19 at 11:16 AM



Amanda Paparo posted:

Your all in my thoughts & prayers during this difficult time.

December 16 at 1:49 PM



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Adrienne (Pawlewitz) Di Molfetta lit a candle in honor of Kurt.



December 16 at 3:45 AM



Adrienne (Pawlewitz) Di Molfetta December 16 at 3:55 AM

My deepest sympathies to all of you. So sorry to hear of your loss. Adrienne Di Molfetta Naples, Florida



Mike Ohare posted:

Dear Joan and Family, On behalf of the Lehigh Valley RSES chapter we offer our sincere sympathy on the loss of Kurt. He was an avid supporter of everything educational and especially RSES. It was an inspiration to know him. His love of learning was evident in the way he lived his life. We enjoyed our time together last September at the EKA seminar and I don't think I ever saw Kurt and Joan laugh more than at the dinner that Saturday evening. God bless you and your family during this difficult time.

December 15 at 4:24 PM



Merrill Floyd Delamater posted:

Joan, so sorry for you and your family, your loss Kurt will be missed by so many of his friends and myself as well!!! If you need to talk, please feel free to call me, 668-8297 anytime. I know what this time is for your loss my mom past, back in May and I pretty much been sick since. Had I known I would have stopped in to see him at St. Joseph's last week, I was in for some tests also. Who knows what God's plan are for any of us, but he is with him now. With our love for you and the family from our house Sall and Merrill D..

December 15 at 10:39 AM



Janet Allen (Cousin) lit a candle in honor of Kurt.



December 15 at 6:44 AM



Janet Allen (Cousin) December 15 at 6:47 AM

Joan and family, our deepest sympathies to you at this time, we are so sorry for your loss. Will contact you in the near future. Janet and Larry Allen Manheim PA



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Cathy And Denny Cunningham posted:

Joan so sorry for your loss. Dennis and I met Kurt almost 30 yrs. ago through his brother Max. The Lord is holding you strongly through your test of time. May God Bless you and your family. Denny and Cathy Cunningham

December 14 at 4:31 PM



Siegfried Snyder posted:

Why you had to leave us, Kurt, God only knows - You were a beacon in a world of confusion.Sig Snyder, Professor Emeritus, Syracuse University School of Architcture and my wife, Renee

December 14 at 2:08 PM



Raymond Phair posted:

Joan and family, Kurt and you were my neighbors and my friends . I am sorry for your loss and I have many wonderful memories of the both of you . Ray Phair

December 14 at 1:46 PM



Frederick J.(Jim) Blanchard December 15 at 10:41 PM

Although I never meant Joan and the kids I grew up with Kirt, Bob and Donny in Lyncourt. I knew Mother and Dad also. We all went to school together, we played together on the coal piles behind Syracuse China and many other adventures as children.Memories keep the spirit alive. Best to all his family and friends. LIAJim Blanchard



Debbie Morris lit a candle in honor of Kurt.



December 14 at 10:19 AM



Mark Stanczyk posted:

Kurt was a gentleman, committed to his values, open, sincere and always straightforward. He will be missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him ! To Joan and family, very sorry for your (and our) loss, Mark Stanczyk

December 14 at 8:52 AM



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BM

Bernadette Mroz posted:

Perhaps they are not the stars, but rather openings in Heaven where the love of our lost ones pours through and shines down upon us to let us know they are happy. ~Author Unknown
May Kurt's family take solace in this quote. Kurt will be missed by all of us.
Mark Washburn and Bernadette Mroz

December 14 at 3:13 AM

ST

Susan Tanner December 15 at 12:44 AM

Joan, I was shocked and saddened to hear of your (our) loss. What a great guy you were married to. If you need anything I hope you will count me among friends who are happy to help.
Sue Tanner

BG

Bob Gardino posted:

I met Kurt a few years ago when our lives intersected with politics. I was Chair of the City Republicans and Kurt was seeking our endorsement to run for Common Council at Large. We always had good conversations both political and personal. He was endorsed and we became political allies working to help Syracuse become a better place. I was always impressed with Kurt's passion and fervor to do some good for his community. He always had a laugh, he always had a story to tell. He was of the people and told things bluntly but was always a gentleman. I am truly saddened by his passing. An organization I belong to held a candidates' forum in October and there was Kurt pushing his points of view asking for support and holding his own with the other candidates. Plain spoken from the heart--that was his trademark. He was politeness personified even when he was in disagreement with someone. We can learn a lot from Kurt. I will miss him. My thoughts are with Joan and family.
Bob Gardino

December 13 at 4:24 PM

CK

Chastity Kinahan posted:

Chad and family, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time. Chastity (former neighbor of Chad's in eastwood)

December 13 at 3:54 PM

KC

Kevin Corbishley posted:

Kurt will be so missed. Evertime I saw Kurt he always had a smile and a kind work to say. Kurt was a wonderful person. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family

December 13 at 2:45 PM



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RE

Richard I. Ellis posted:

It is a sad day for me to read of the passing of a good friend and worker at Carrier. We had many good times working together at Carrier. He was always very helpfull with his knowledge in Air Condition no mater what he was asked to do or instruct. I always enjoyed conversations and laughter with Kurt. He will certainly be missed by many.Dick Ellis, Sun Lakes, Arizona.

December 13 at 2:17 PM

MN

Marty Nave posted:

i was shocked to read that my friend kurt has passed away.we had many conversations at neighborhood watch meetings ,t.n.t. and took a tour of the 911 center. he was a voice for the north side of syracuse and will be deeply missed.my sympathies to his family

December 13 at 12:28 PM

KW

Kelly Womack posted:

I will miss seeing Kurt's smiling face at the RSES conference. He always had a good story and a smile. He will be missed.Kelly WomackRSES Headquarters staff

December 13 at 11:42 AM

EA

Elizabeth Angiolilo lit a candle in honor of Kurt.



December 13 at 10:41 AM

CH

Cherylforth posted:

Sorry to read about Uncle Kurt best to the family thoughts and prayers with you all.Cheryl Brusso Forth

December 13 at 9:22 AM



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BM

Bernard Ment posted:

Kurt, as your colleague and friend in the Onondaga County Conservative Party, I will miss your discourse and your opinions. You were always willing to share your opinions with those around you with a passion and fervor that was refreshing and rare in the political world. I shall miss your bluntness and integrity, even if your favorite thing to criticize was the length of my hair or my beard. (Just don't try that with the lord almighty, though, Kurt - he'll probably be less tolerant of it than I have been...) Now a new champion for the revamping of the educational system and public power will have to be found, but I doubt anyone will be able to tackle those issues with the zeal and fortitude you have given to them. Men of integrity are rare indeed, my friend. The world and this community lost a leader...your family lost a husband, father and grandfather...and I have lost a friend. God bless you, Kurt and your family..

December 13 at 8:39 AM

EC

Ellen T. Coughlin posted:

Kurt will truly not be forgotten by his friends and colleagues in SkillsUSA New York. His expertise in chairing the HVAC competition for the students included the level of industrial standards that we always try to have the contestants aspire to achieve. We will greatly miss his presents this April at the conference. Our condolences to the family. Ellen T. Coughlin, State Leadership and Skills Coordinator, SkillsUSA New York

December 13 at 5:28 AM

AB

Angie Macrit Bradley posted:

Words can not express how heavy my heart is. I had the honor of being part of Kurts's family. He was not only a brother to my father, but an Uncle to my sibliings and myself. Kurt was always there for each of us. If it was not coming up with a plan to save the the porch at camp, or fixing a car, or an air conditioner for one us, he would just be there with a smile. I can still see him and Dad standing in the water at camp for hours talking. I remember driving through the Ozark mountains with him and the rest of the family, and Kurt saying, I smell a bakery, of course I thought he was nuts, but sure enough, there was a bakery and Kurt got his bear claws. There are so many memories that will be in my heart forever. Kurt, thank you for everything that you taught each one of us. You are in a better place watching over all of us. Joanie and family, know that we are here for you all of you. Love, Angie Macri Bradley

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MM

Mark Merwin posted:

Right from the very beginning, this family has made me feel welcome and loved. Dad has always treated me as a son and made it very easy to fit in. Both myself and my daughters are blessed to have had Kurt as a Dad and Grandfather. I have learned alot from him, everything from parenting to hunting. I am proud of the time we spent together enjoying the thing's both dad and I loved to do. I truly believe the Lord put him and this family in my life to learn from and make me a better person. I will continue to honor him by applying the thing's I have learned to my life and my children's each and every day!Love always your son Mark

December 13 at 4:27 AM

BS

Brooke Schmeling lit a candle in honor of Kurt.

Kurt was a great man who had a true passion for "our" family. He always treated me like a daughter not a daughter in law. He was a father and teacher to me. Kurt will always be in my heart forever. Rest in Peace Kurt till we meet again. I Love You!Love Always,"Sunshine"



December 13 at 3:59 AM

BS

Brooke Schmeling sent a virtual gift in honor of Kurt.



December 13 at 3:33 AM

MG

Mary Lou Guindon posted:

Our prayers of peace and strength are with you all. May yor memories give you comfort. May God lift you in the palm of his hand and know that all is ok! Our sincere sympathies are with you during this difficult time. Bernie and Mary Lou Guindon and family

December 13 at 2:58 AM

RC

Robin Caruana posted:

I am so sad to say goodbye to a man who had the greatest love and support for all of his friends and family. He always treated me like a part of his family and for that I am so thankful. I feel blessed and honored to have known Kurt and will miss him greatly.

December 13 at 1:11 AM



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SF

Stacey Fitzgerald posted:

I am so sorry for your loss. He was truly one of a kind. Our thoughts and prayers are with your entire family at this difficult time. Stacey Fitzgerald

December 12 at 6:13 PM

JR

Jimmy Reed posted:

I am sorry for your loss. I admired Kurt for his passion to help others. He was a teacher, mentor, and coworker. I am and always will be proud to call him my friend. I especially admired Kurt for the love and commitment he had to his family. I feel honored that I had the pleasure to work with him and grateful for all the knowledge I gained over the years from him. He has helped me in my career in many ways. I will miss him. Jim Reed, Camillus

December 12 at 6:05 PM

AS

Al Smith Cms posted:

May your strength prevail to help you through this difficult time. His RSES family will NOT forget Kurt. His leadership and dedication to RSES was extraordinary. Al Smith CMSPast
President Refrigeration Service Engineers Society

December 12 at 12:52 PM

LK

Lori Kasallis posted:

Condolences to you and your family during this difficult time! Kurt was quite an asset to RSES and the HVACR industry and he will be missed. Warm Regards, Lori Kasallis RSES Journal Publisher/Editor

December 12 at 9:18 AM



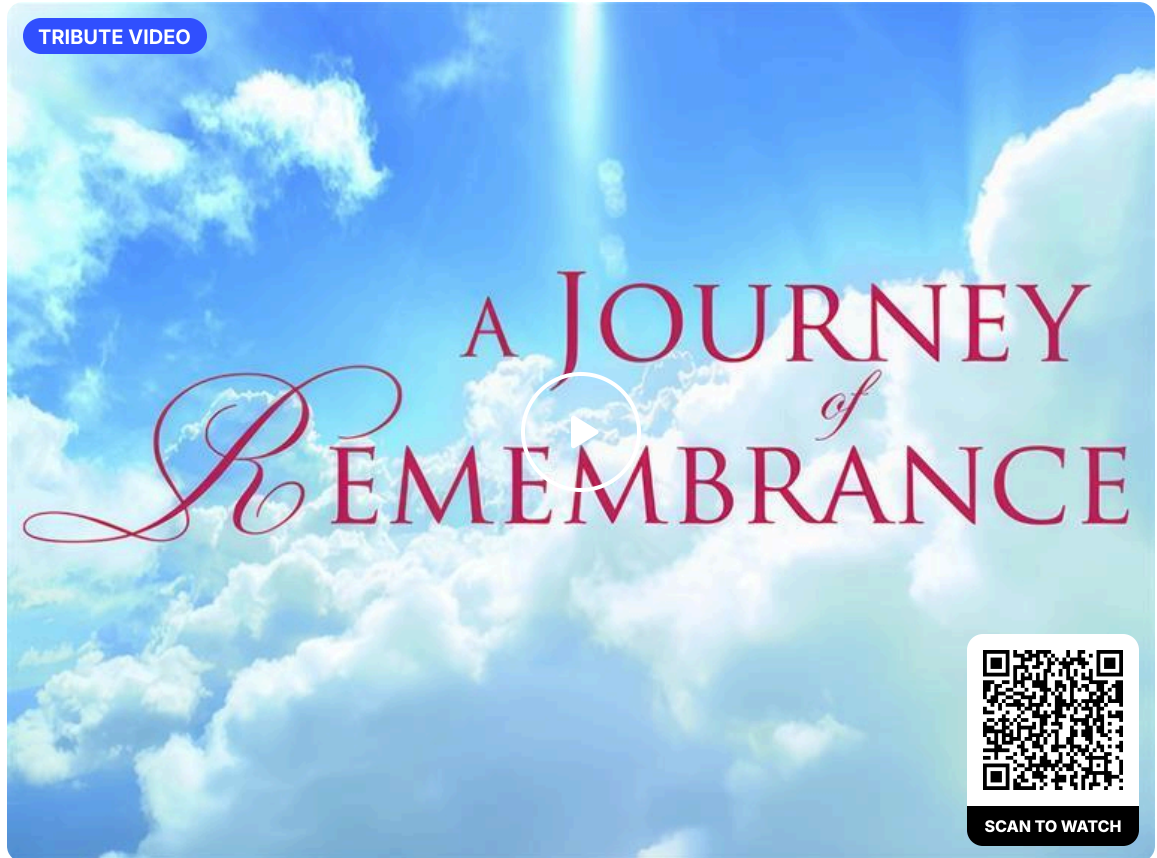
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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Kurt by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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