



Roman D Schlabach

October 3, 1926 - January 25, 2021

Roman D. Schlabach, 94, of Sarasota, FL went to his eternal home on January 25, 2021 with his loving wife & family at his side. He was formally of Seney, Michigan. Roman was born to the late Daniel & Mary (Beachy) Schlabach on October 3, 1926 in Ohio. On March 5, 1960, he was married to Fannie Sommers, the daughter of the late Wallace & Ada Sommers.

Roman was ordained a deacon in 1965 at Bethany Conservative Mennonite Church in Holmesville, Ohio. In 1968 they moved to Seney, MI to help with Seney Mennonite Church. Seney was home until 2018 when they became fulltime residents in Sarasota, FL and became members of Sarasota Mennonite Church.

Roman was very diversified in his occupations. As a youth he worked on the farm and repaired small engines. In Ohio he owned Fryburg Builders. In Seney, MI he Owned and operated "Seney IGA and the Golden Grill Restaurant."

He will be greatly missed by his wife, Fannie, and their 7 children, Elijah (Marcella) Schlabach of Seney, MI, Matthew (Loretta) Schlabach of Wakarusa, IN, Christy Schlabach of Sarasota, FL, Mark Schlabach, of Sarasota FL, Luke (Martina) Schlabach of Columbus, NC, Ruth (Dale) Russell, of Sarasota FL, John (Sharon) Schlabach of Myakka City, FL, 19 grandchildren and 21 great grandchildren, one brother, Manelius (Katie) Schlabach of Millersburg, OH.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by a daughter-in-law,

Regina R Schlabach, and 6 siblings, Aaron, Eli, John, Sarah, Fannie, Daniel. Funeral Services will be held on Saturday, January 30, 2021 at 10:00 AM, at Sarasota Mennonite Church. Burial following at Sunnyside Mennonite Cemetery.

Attire: Feel free to wear colors of celebration.

In lieu of flowers Roman has requested that donations be made to Mennonite Air Missions, c/o Amos Hurst Jr., 140 Rothsville Station Rd., Lititz, PA 17543. This mission has always been close to his heart. Memories and condolences may be left online at www.MaloneyFuneralHomeCares.com.

Cemetery Details

Sunnyside Mennonite Church Cemetery

901 Honore Avenue
Sarasota, FL 34232

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 29. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Sarasota Mennonite Church
1010 Coburn Road
Sarasota, FL 34240

Visitation

JAN 29. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Visitation

JAN 30. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

JAN 30. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

TF

“ Roman, Fannie and all their children were such a wonderful part of my childhood in Seney. Roman was always ready to pick us up for Vacation Bible School when my sister Lisa and I were little. As a teenager, I made many wonderful memories working at the Golden Grill and Seney IGA. Roman was always very kind and gentle in spirit. He and Fannie planted a seed for my Christian walk. I am forever thankful. :)



Love,
Tera (Rutherford) Fields

Tera Fields - January 30, 2021 at 08:31 PM

MA

A valiant warrior,
Mr. Roman, has been called to his Heavenly eternal home. He was a man of prayer, and an encouragement to all.

Our love and sympathies,
Marek and Sarah Alimowski family
North Port, FL

Marek and Sarah (Overholt) Alimowski - January 30, 2021 at 10:00 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Roman D Schlabach.



January 29, 2021 at 10:41 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Roman D Schlabach.*



January 29, 2021 at 11:34 AM



“ *We will miss seeing/visiting with Roman across the street. He was always accommodating and friendly. Recall him coming over and offering a beautiful prayer for Perry and our family just prior to Perry's death. Roman was a great neighbor. Offering our sympathy. The Yoder Family*

Mary Yoder - January 28, 2021 at 08:24 PM



“ *When I moved to Seney in 2001 I didn't really know anyone. I met Roman and he treated me like family. He offered me a job at the Golden Grill and he was a wonderful, caring and accepting man. Roman and his family helped me feel welcome in a town that was so new to me. I'll never forget you Roman! God bless you and your family.*

Kevin Potter - January 28, 2021 at 12:35 PM



“ *Roman was an integral part of the Seney family. The easily offered friendship, the smile and hug to light up anyones day, the singing at Christmas and the support through business and church were invaluable to our small town. Our prayers are with the family. We will miss seeing him.*

Candy and George Davis - January 28, 2021 at 11:41 AM

JS

“ Our condolences to the Schlabach's. Many memories from the Seney days.

Joe Seccia - January 28, 2021 at 09:17 AM

JN

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Fannie and all of the family. In the short time I knew Roman it was always a pleasure talking with him.

Jerry Nejedlo

Jerry Nejedlo - January 28, 2021 at 08:59 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Roman D Schlabach.



January 28, 2021 at 08:41 AM

TP

“ We will miss seeing Roman and Fanne at the potlucks in the Seney wildlife refuge. They will always be in our hearts and prayers.

Tom and Kathy Petitpren

Thomas Petitpren - January 28, 2021 at 05:43 AM

KP

“ *Our thoughts are with Fannie and their family.
Mike, Kelley and Nicholas Painter*

Kelley Painter - January 27, 2021 at 08:41 PM

MH

“ *Merv and Iva Hostetler purchased the Tranquil Seas for the family of Roman D Schlabach.*



Merv and Iva Hostetler - January 27, 2021 at 07:34 PM

LS

“ *My prayers go up for his wife and family. I worked for Roman and lived with the family for 3 summers in MI. Roman always wanted to do things rightly, and above board, and always went the second and third mile for people. What a blessing he was to me and so many! May God give comfort to all.*

Linda Sommers - January 27, 2021 at 03:00 PM



“ *Our condolences to the family. God bless. Takoda and Marlene spears*

Marlene Spears - January 27, 2021 at 02:39 PM

CP

“ We loved his zest for life. He was a great example of Christianity. We loved visiting with him at the restaurant, years back. May God bless his family with comfort in this time. It’s great you can rejoice, with assurance you will see him again, so will we.
Rick and Cindy Pawley

Cindy Pawley - January 27, 2021 at 02:19 PM

MH

“ We will miss him but so glad for him. I will miss golf cart ubering. When we go on a ride we got to stop at places visit from house to house . He was so sincere and always made you feel so welcome and also funny. He was a true friend to me and Iva and our family. My mom and dad loved to be with them. God bless you all till we meet again. *Merv and Iva and family*

Mervin D. Hostetler - January 27, 2021 at 01:35 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Roman D Schlabach.*



January 27, 2021 at 11:47 AM