



Tadeusz 'Ted' Czerkies

August 6, 1946 - June 1, 2020

Tadeusz 'Ted' Czerkies, age 73, of Lake Villa, IL, passed away on Monday, June 1, 2020.

Ted was born August 6, 1946 in Germany, the son of the late Jozef and Helena Czerkies. He was an avid fisherman and enjoyed gardening and exploring. He was also a dedicated and active member of Prince of Peace Church where he served as a eucharistic minister. Ted was a talented painter. His paintings have won several awards and are on display in many locations around Lake County. He mostly painted landscapes, but in recent years began painting icons, one of which is on display at Prince of Peace Church.

He is survived by his wife Jutta; children Diane (Gary) Link, Chrissy (PJ) Ronayne, Heidi (Fred) Stephan, and Ron (Carol) Siedler; grandchildren Ryan (Jackie Phelps) O'Malley, Colin (Casey) O'Malley, Maddie Link, Molly Hanrahan, Monika Siedler, Alex (Drew) Stephan, Natalie Stephan, and Christian (Dominique) Stephan; great granddaughters Blakely and Penelope; and his brother Jan (Linda) Czerkies.

He was preceded in death by his wife Patti.

A funeral service will be live streamed at 10 a.m. on Thursday, June 4, 2020. A graveside service with military honors will be live streamed about 45 - 60

minutes after the end of the funeral service. To attend the livestream, visit [facebook.com/RingaFH](https://www.facebook.com/RingaFH).

In lieu of flowers, please consider a contribution in Ted's memory to Prince of Peace Church, 135 S. Milwaukee Ave. Lake Villa, IL 60046

Previous Events

Service

JUN 4. 10:00 AM (CT)

Live Stream

Tribute Wall



“ *Tadeusz 'Ted' Czerkies*

October 04, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ *Tadeusz 'Ted' Czerkies*

December 31, 2022 at 11:36 AM



“ *Dear Diane and Jutta,*

This note comes to you very late. I deeply apologize for that. Just found out about Ted's passing, and wanted to express my prayers for you and your family. Just before I left Prince of Peace, Ted presented me with a beautiful icon of Jesus. It hangs in my office, as Ted readily comes to mind whenever I view his amazing art work. He was a thoughtful, creative, interesting, inspiring, talented, loving, and faith filled man. Ted was always positive and supportive. He lives on in you, the people he loved and cherished the most. Ted also lives in eternity with God. May you continue to be comforted and encouraged in your faith.

*Peace In Christ,
Fr. Dave*

Fr. Dave Straub - April 06, 2021 at 03:36 PM

JG

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



John P Grace - June 20, 2020 at 06:23 PM

DL

This is a great picture of my Dad! Thank you.

Diane Link - July 08, 2020 at 02:29 PM

JG

You're welcome, I enjoyed fishing with Ted and he always seemed to enjoy himself and make himself comfortable. "Breakfast of champions!" he would say...

John P Grace - August 09, 2020 at 12:07 AM

DL

“ Some of Dad's Icons



Diane Link - June 05, 2020 at 09:19 AM

DL

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Diane Link - June 05, 2020 at 09:18 AM

GR

“ Dear Ted,

I will miss you. I will miss your smile, your Polish greetings with me. You were indeed a man of faith. I never failed to see you at church at masses and other church events.

Thanks for strengthening my faith. I remember coming to your house when you were moving and asked me to pick any painting I liked. Today that painting adorns our living room. You were indeed very talented.

May you be with the angels in heaven.

Geethan

Geethan Rayan - June 04, 2020 at 06:37 PM



“ *Blakley says, Peace Papa. I love you. And thanks for continuing to be our Papa looking over me and my mommy from above.*



Kevin Hanrahan - June 04, 2020 at 11:55 AM

BK

“ Dear Jutta and Family: Ted will be remembered by us in many ways! His quick wit, special Cucumber Salad, talent as a painter (POP is filled with many of Ted’s beautiful paintings and the most special Icon), his energy to inspire and share his many talents with so many other people and most especially to us, we consider it a blessing to have shared a wonderful friendship with Ted! Please accept our sincere sympathy for his loss. We pray that you, Jutta, and all in your family find peace and comfort knowing he is in our Lord’s care. Love, Barb and John Kossel ❤️

Barb and John Kossel - June 04, 2020 at 10:29 AM

FR

“ Dear Jutta and Family, My thoughts and prayers are with you. Ted was a man of deep faith who loved God and his neighbor. He had many gifts and talents which he eagerly shared with others. I will always cherish the Icon of St. Patrick that he painted for me. I will deeply miss his compassion, sense of humor and friendship. He always made me feel better about myself. He was one of a kind. I will offer Mass for Ted and for all of you. REST IN PEACE dear friend---You earned it! Father Jack Ryan

Father Jack Ryan - June 04, 2020 at 08:39 AM

BT

Ted was a true Christian man. A role model and a bit of a wise mentor to me. Bruce Teipel

Bruce Teipel - June 04, 2020 at 12:42 PM

HS

“ *The three amigos!! Ted lived life. He wanted to be different. Traveling, cooking, painting. He wanted to share his experiences with others. Never a dull moment with Ted. We all love you and will truly miss you. (my second Dad) Heidi*



heidi stephan - June 04, 2020 at 08:23 AM

FR

“ *Dear Jutta and Family, My heart skipped a few beats when I heard the news. Ted was a man who took Our Lord's words to heart "Love God and love your neighbor" He was a friend to all. I always felt better after talking to Ted. He was a man of many talents which he eagerly shared with others. I will always cherish the Icon of St. Patrick that he painted for me. I will miss him dearly. He was one of a kind. I will offer Mass for Ted and for all of you. REST IN PEACE DEAR FRIEND!!! Father Jack Ryan*

Fr. Jack Ryan - June 03, 2020 at 06:18 PM

DL

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Diane Link - June 03, 2020 at 04:13 PM

DL

“ *Diane Link lit a candle in memory of Tadeusz 'Ted' Czerkies*



Diane Link - June 03, 2020 at 04:12 PM

CS

“ *Ted loved the Lord. He helped us be better people. He enriched our lives in every way. It has been an honor to know him. I will cherish the in-depth conversations over good food and good company. He stepped in as a Papa and father figure. We will miss his humor and the way he looked at life and his words and love that helped us thru. Ron, Carol, Monika Siedler*

Carol Siedler - June 03, 2020 at 11:02 AM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Tadeusz 'Ted' Czerkies.*



June 02, 2020 at 11:32 PM

TB

“ *Hw was such a great person, so very sorry.
“May the road rise up to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face;
the rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again,
may God hold you in the palm of His hand.”*

*traditional gaelic blessing
Pat, & Tracy Benyak*

Tracy Benyak - June 02, 2020 at 07:29 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of
Tadeusz 'Ted' Czerkies.*



June 02, 2020 at 04:52 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for
the family of Tadeusz 'Ted' Czerkies.*



June 02, 2020 at 04:06 PM

GL

“ *Rest in peace Papa. Thank you for being a second father to me. I
will love you forever.*

Gary J Link - June 02, 2020 at 02:37 PM