



## Russell F. Thatch Sr

January 7, 1945 - October 25, 2015

Russell F. Thatch Sr., 70, of Manteno, passed away Sunday (Oct. 25, 2015) at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee.

He was born Jan. 7, 1945, the son of Robert A. and Alice Marquess Thatch. Russell was married to Joyce Matthews.

Mr. Thatch was retired as the operations manager at Federal Signal.

He served our country in the U.S. Army during Vietnam.

Surviving are his wife, of Manteno; sons and daughters-in-law, Russell Jr. and Sarah Thatch, of Indianapolis, Steven Thatch and Tomi Blogg, of Bourbonnais, and John Perez, of Manteno; daughter and son-in-law, Mellissa Thatch and Matt Mort, of Manteno; 10 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his parents; brothers, Robert Ray Thatch and Robert Ashley Thatch Jr.; and a sister, Margaret Jean Kurzawski.

Visitation will be from 3 p.m. Wednesday until the 7 p.m. funeral services at Brown Funeral Home in Manteno. Cremation rites will be accorded.

Memorials may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project.

# Cemetery Details

**Cremation rites will be accorded**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

OCT **28**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Brown Funeral Home

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### Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Brown Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Russell F. Thatch Sr*



**Brown Funeral Home** - October 27, 2015 at 01:20 PM

LP

*Melissa, now that I have seen your father when he was young I can see how you do look like him. This is a very nice video. I'm glad I took the time to watch it. My prayers are with you, you are such a sweet person.*

**Lorna Prince** - October 27, 2015 at 06:10 PM

DL

*What a touching tribute. Condolences and prayers to the family of Russ Thatch.....you will be missed.*

**Debbie Long** - October 28, 2015 at 05:37 PM

PM

*Beautiful tribute. So sorry for your family's lost. My condolences.*

**paula matthias** - October 28, 2015 at 08:20 PM



*Good man.*

**Felix George** - October 30, 2015 at 07:47 PM



“ *Russell F. Thatch Sr*

October 06, 2023 at 01:14 PM



“ *What a great guy! He will be missed by many. RIP, Russ. We had a lot of fun times.*

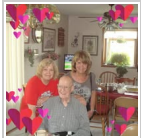
**Tammy Jinkensen** - October 29, 2015 at 11:48 PM



“ *Russ was a wonderful boss to all who worked for him. May his memories bring all his family much comfort.*

*Judy Lynn*

**Judy Lynn** - October 29, 2015 at 03:53 PM



“ *I worked with Russ for over 30 years and he was one of the nicest people I ever worked with and for, he always had a way of being were he should be when I needed a life line. when ever he stopped to chat he made the day better. So sorry for your loss, prayers and hugs. Anne Stedman*

**Anne Stedman** - October 29, 2015 at 12:20 PM



“ *To the Family of Russ, It was a great pleasure working with Russ for ,many many Years. There are not many people like him, that make life enjoyable. !!!*

**Jerry Koster** - October 29, 2015 at 10:16 AM

DL

“ Dear Russ,  
My boss and mentor for many years.....thank  
you for all I learned from you. It's something  
that no one can ever take away. We butted  
heads many times but you always told me it  
was because we were so much a like. I am happy to have known  
you and worked for you.



You will be missed,  
Debbie Long

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Debbie Long - October 28, 2015 at 04:47 PM

JF

“ Jan Matthews, Nick, Jessica, Kylie, Richie &  
Danny Francis purchased the Beautiful in Blue  
for the family of Russell F. Thatch Sr.



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Jan Matthews, Nick, Jessica, Kylie, Richie & Danny Francis -  
October 28, 2015 at 10:52 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the  
family of Russell F. Thatch Sr.



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October 27, 2015 at 10:56 PM

ST

“ my favorite memory of my father in law, was a trip to Illinois where we set and talked for what seemed like hours and he talked about his children and his love for them and he talked about each of them and he told me the story of how he fought to get back home to make it to his first sons, my husband, first birthday party how he wasn't going to stop until he was home for the birthday for his son.



*The love he showed for his children was incredible I'll never forget that in all the years that I live. You are truly missed and loved I love you, Sarah Thatch*

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**Sarah Thatch** - October 27, 2015 at 01:32 PM

CC

“ I am so sorry to hear of Russell's passing. He was such a sweet man. He was one of my tenants in Bourbonnais. He was always so pleasant when I saw him. I was so sorry to see him move to Manteno, but I understood. He certainly will be missed. My deepest sympathy to the family.

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**Celia Calbert** - October 27, 2015 at 09:42 AM

JG

“ My sympathies to the family. I remember Russ when we worked together at Federal Signal in both Blue Island and University Park.

*Jerry Gersch*

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**Jerry Gersch** - October 27, 2015 at 09:20 AM

RJ

“ I remember how happy he looked when his grand daughter Rebecca was born, one of the most beautiful moments I remember of him.



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**Russell Thatch Jr** - October 26, 2015 at 07:28 PM

SR

“ Sons of Silence, Eastern Region purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Russell F. Thatch Sr.



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**Sons of Silence, Eastern Region** - October 26, 2015 at 04:41 PM