



# Dr. Stanley Harold Szemer

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**S**zemer, Dr. Stanley H.

Dr. Stanley H. Szemer, 91, of St. Petersburg, FL, went peacefully to heaven to be with Our Lord on Sunday, July 23.

Stan was born on April 27, 1932 in Cleveland, Ohio to Joseph and Anna, who emigrated to the United States from Poland. They had seven children, Stan being the sixth. He attended Catholic schools through high school, then attended Western Reserve University School of Dentistry in Cleveland, Ohio, where he graduated in 1964. After graduation, Stan married Ruth Ann Forgas on June 13 in St. Wendelin's Catholic church.

Once married, Stan and Ruth moved to Laughlin AFB in Del Rio, Texas while Stan was in the Air Force, then moved back to Cleveland three years later. In November 1975, Stan and Ruth moved their family to St. Petersburg, FL, where Stan practiced dentistry at Bay Pines VA Medical Center then retired in 1993 as well as retiring as a Lt. Col in the military.

Stan was a member of the Masonic Lodge, where he was one of only a handful who held a gold card for lectures. He was also a Shriner.

Stan was a pilot and enjoyed flying his 1964 Mooney with his father-in-law, then later his 1966 Mooney with his son.

Stan loved having a close-knit family who were always around for he and Ruth to carry on their Polish traditions with. He was most proud of his two grandsons who lovingly called him Papa. Stan was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth. He is survived by their children Joseph (Donna), Michael (Nada) and Susan (Tom Jones); two grandsons Nicholas and Andrew, and one brother, Tadzu, who is also a retired dentist. Services will be private.



# Events

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## Cemetery Details



**Memorial Park Cemetery**

5750 49th Street North, St. Petersburg FL 33709



**(727) 369-8228**





# Tribute Wall

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**Sheila Sienenahler - Holland** posted:

My sympathy to the Szemer family - Suzi, Mike & Joe & your families. Prayers & hugs to you all during this difficult time!!

July 30 at 1:16 PM



**Wayne Wyrzes** posted:

Uncle Archie (Stan) is responsible for the love I have today for the games of ping pong and chess. Not only did he teach me to play, but was available so many times for me to practice with him. There could not have been a better Uncle. I will miss him. Wayne Wyrzes

July 27 at 4:26 PM



**Leslie W.** planted a grove of 5 Memorial Trees in honor of Stanley.



July 27 at 3:19 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Szemer family.



July 26 at 5:48 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Szemer family.



July 26 at 4:41 AM



**Thomas Lewis Jones** sent a virtual gift in honor of Stanley.

Thomas Jones sent a virtual gift in memory of Stanley Szemer



July 26 at 4:19 AM



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**Anonymous** sent a Joyful Memory to the Szemer family.

July 25 at 2:58 PM



**Anonymous** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Stanley.

July 25 at 2:58 PM



**Kelly A.** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Stanley.

July 25 at 2:37 PM



**Suzi Szemer** posted:

You and Mom were the BEST parents a daughter could ever dream of. Thank you for giving me everything and MORE.... a wonderful family life, a top notch education, memorable family vacations and more than a girl could ever ask for. Even though you weren't vocal, you showed me your love in the look only a proud dad could give to his "favorite daughter".I was blessed to have the opportunity to live with and care for you in your final years here on earth. Now, I am at peace knowing you are up in heaven with mom polka dancing in the clouds.I will miss you and love you forever and look forward to seeing you and Mom in heaven.As we would always say to each other "It's you and me against the world" and now I know you will keep your promise to watch over me till we see each other again.  
Your Favorite Daughter, Suzi

July 25 at 12:56 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

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



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