



## Ronald J. DeCaro

September 13, 1944 - February 22, 2021

Ronald J. DeCaro, age 76 of Mentor, passed away February 22, 2021, at Hillcrest Hospital in Mayfield Heights. He was born on September 13, 1944.

Ron taught at St. Joseph High School and most recently at Mentor High School as a Social Studies teacher for 36 years, retiring in 2004. He was a longtime member of St. Gabriel Church and was a member of the church choir. He also volunteered for the Lake County Board of Elections for 16 years. Above all else, Ron enjoyed being with family. Through them Ron's light will continue to shine.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Maureen (Heyman); sons, John (Gina) DeCaro, Michael (Charla) DeCaro, and Robert (Rebecca) DeCaro; grandchildren, Leah, Drew, Lucas, Olivia, Alexandria, and Emilia; sisters, Gina (Carl) Johnson and Lisa (Robert) Eckhoff and many other loving family. He was preceded in death by his parents, Anthony Jr. and Gemma (Trabucchi) DeCaro.

A funeral mass will be held at 9:30 am Monday, March 1, 2021, at St. Gabriel Church, 9925 Johnnycake Ridge Rd., Concord Twp., OH 44060. Please meet at the church.

The family will receive friends from 1-5 pm Sunday, February 28, 2021, at the

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

Interment will be in Mentor Cemetery.

Masks are required and social distancing is encouraged during all publicly attended events.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the St. Gabriel Food Bank, 9925 Johnnycake Ridge Rd., Concord Twp., OH 44060; or online at [www.st-gabriel.org/food-pantry.html](http://www.st-gabriel.org/food-pantry.html).

Offer condolences at [www.brunners.com](http://www.brunners.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Mentor Cemetery

6881 Hopkins Rd.  
Mentor, OH 44060  
(440) 974-5733

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**FEB 28.** 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center  
8466 Mentor Avenue  
Mentor, OH 44060  
(440) 255-3401  
ajs@brunners.com  
<https://www.brunners.com/>

## Funeral Mass

**MAR 1.** 9:30 AM (ET)

St. Gabriel Catholic Church  
9925 Johnnycake Ridge Rd.  
Concord Twp., OH 44060  
(440) 352-8282

# Tribute Wall

JR

“ I can't remember a time in my 10 years at MHS that, whenever he passed me in the halls, Ron never failed to have a smile on his face, or look directly at me and ask how I was. He did this with everyone! Ron always showed kindness, concern, and compassion.  
How fortunate were those students who were in his classes. We who knew him will miss him, and I pray that your family will take comfort knowing how highly regarded Ron was in so many eyes! In sympathy, Jane Richmond

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**Jane Richmond** - March 06, 2021 at 10:04 PM

JF

“ A great man and fellow teacher. Ron never expressed a negative thought about anyone  
It was my pleasure to know Ron  
My thoughts and prayers are with his family

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**John Fulmer** - February 28, 2021 at 01:12 PM

SH

“ He was an inspirational teacher that I had more than 30 years ago, but still fondly remember his passion and dedication. He taught me much.

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**Susan H** - February 26, 2021 at 06:54 PM

SH

“ I am so very sorry to hear of Ron's passing! Ron and Maureen were two of my star students in the Silver Sneakers' class that I taught! They attended regularly and I adore both of them! Ron will be missed! Sharyn

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**sharyn** - February 24, 2021 at 05:53 PM

RH

“ *Ron was such a gentleman and caring man.  
We always enjoyed getting together with Ron and his wonderful  
Wife Maureen!  
Ron will forever be missed and in our hearts forever!* ❤️🙏

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**Ruth Howard** - February 24, 2021 at 12:04 PM