



Frank Copeland

September 17, 1954 - June 18, 2025

Frank T. Copeland, 70, a long-time resident of The Run section of Greenfield died on June 18, 2025.

Frank was a proud graduate of Central Catholic High School and Duquesne University where he was captain of the ice hockey team. For many years he worked as a CPA and he also led a successful business in the financial sector.

Frank was preceded in death by his devoted parents, Dolores J. "Dolly" (Gavel) Copeland and Thomas F. Copeland and his beloved Uncle Frank J. "Butch" Gavel and many other aunts, uncles and cousins.

Frank is survived by his dedicated long-time friend Thomas Barnes and his Aunt and Godmother Janice L. Gavel as well as numerous cousins.

There will be no services and a private interment will happen at a future date.

Professional services entrusted to Thomas M. Smith Funeral Home & Crematory Ltd; 930 Center Avenue Blawnox, PA, 15238; www.thomasmsmithfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall

MS

“ My heart is heavy at his loss, it is crushing to lose such a thoughtful, brilliant, and truly special man. He was always doing his daily walks and always on the go except when he was playing his poker games which was many times/wk. He knew everyone in the Greenfield/Squirrel Hill area. He had a truly kind and gracious aura about him. You couldn't help but like him. 1 week before he died, my car had to be towed and I was stranded, I called everyone. He was the only one that kindly gave me a ride. His texts were his own little language that you had to decode. Frank was dedicated to his friends, neighbors, and family. He knew everyone wherever he went in the run, Greenfield/Squirrel Hill area. My heartfelt ❤️ condolences to Frank's family and friends and very best friend Tom B. May God bless him always. You are truly missed my special friend. Marilyn Seifert

Marilyn T Seifert - July 03, 2025 at 11:00 PM



“ Whenever Frankie walked into a room, everyone smiled. He was always there with a kind word, shoulder to lean on or thoughtful act. The Run lost some of it's special feeling without Frankie. Rest well, my sweet friend ☹️💔☹️

Sally Mander - June 28, 2025 at 05:16 PM

AY

“ What a guy, I loved his smile, always singing beach boy songs. Haven't seen him for some time but his passing brought back so many memories. Can't stop thinking of him. Rest in peace my old friend 🙏🙏🙏

Al Yobbi - June 27, 2025 at 01:40 AM



Al, it's Joann Blehi. We were just talking about you and wondering how you are yesterday at the bar down the run, where Tommy Barnes had a get together to honor Frankie. We were even mentioning you and the love of Beach Boys songs you and Frankie had. He and Brian Wilson are singing them in heaven!!

Sally Mander - June 28, 2025 at 05:04 PM

CR

“*Born down on Saline Street, raised with our friends from the run, my heart is saddened by the loss of an old friend as a teenager. Great guy. Prayers and condolences for his family. Caroline (Tarasovic) Ramsey*

Caroline Ramsey - June 26, 2025 at 09:07 AM

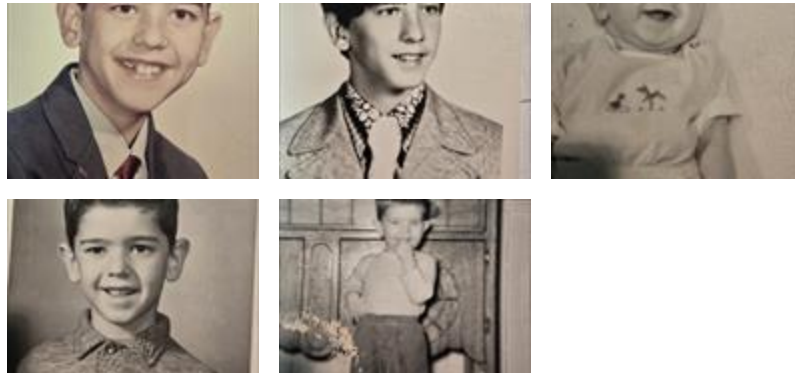


“*As one of the new members of “The Run” , I was welcomed by Frank immediately. Every time my partner and I were unloading our car with more things as we moved in, Frank showed up out of nowhere offering to help carry things in. He regaled us with stories of his childhood in Greenfield, which were all fascinating and rich with detail. His care for his parents and his love for his community shined through the way he spoke of everyone and showed up as a fixture and smiling presence in everyone’s day. I loved my brief beeps and waves and hellos with Frank which were nearly daily. We only discovered in the past couple months, since my Dad died, that we share the last name Copeland. We didn’t even get to talk about it! I so wish we had more time to learn and hear from Frank. May his memory be a blessing.*

Renée Copeland - June 25, 2025 at 08:40 AM

JG

“ 31 files added to the tribute wall



James J Gavel - June 24, 2025 at 10:45 AM

JG

Great pics!!!

John M Gavel - June 26, 2025 at 08:16 PM

PL

The Copelands lived next door to us for many years. They were part of our family

Phyllis Labishak - September 11, 2025 at 07:06 PM

SV

“ Frankie was a great guy and he made the day a better one whenever I ran into him. He will be missed by many. Rest easy, Frankie.

Sandy Vilsack - June 24, 2025 at 01:52 AM

DS

“ Frank was a great kid and a good buddy growing up. I'm very sorry to hear that he passed. Condolences to the family.

Debbie Kranik Smith - June 23, 2025 at 03:49 PM

JG

“ Frankie was a forever neighbor. I babysat him. His mom and Dad were so good to me and I loved Uncle Butch.
Eternal Memory Frank and peaceful repose.

judy Gula - June 23, 2025 at 12:10 PM

DG

Prayers for Frank and the family RIP Francis & Darlene Geier

Darlene Geier - June 23, 2025 at 02:05 PM

DN

May you be greeted by your Mom n Dad. R.I.P.

Dolores Gavel Noell - June 24, 2025 at 01:57 PM