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**Stuart Locklin(1928 - 2016)**

Locklin , Stuart Carlton

Stuart (Stu) Carlton Locklin, age 88, passed away peacefully in his sleep on Sunday, December 4, 2016. Stu was born on July 22, 1928 in Appleton, WI, to parents Howard and Elsie (Wickeham) Locklin. Stu was the oldest of three children, with brothers Mory and Ronald. In his youth, Stu excelled in athletics, academics, and developed a strong foundation in spirituality. A local nun in his hometown inspired him at a young age to live a life of devotion to Mary and the Catholic Faith.

Stu graduated with bachelors and master's degrees from the University of Wisconsin, and earned three athletic letters as a three-sport athlete. He signed a professional baseball contract with the Cleveland Indians organization in 1949, and played with the team in Cleveland in 1955-56. He enlisted in the Air Force in 1952 and served through 1954 where met his wife Judy Loomer. They were married in Boston in 1955 and went on to have seven children, Sharon, Stuart Edward, foster son Charles Huycke, Leanne, Stephen, Brian Christopher and Karen.

After a career in baseball, they returned home to Appleton. There he served as a teacher, coach, and guidance counselor, as well as a coordinator of the City's youth baseball program. Stu had deep roots of service and charity in Appleton. He and Judy were proud and active members of various church and charitable organizations. He moved to Albuquerque in 2005 where he resided until the Lord took him home. His kind, compassionate, and generous spirit were a light and a role model to many. At the end, he shared his gratefulness to God for the blessing of a life graced by faith, family, and friends by stating "it's beautiful!"

Stu was preceded in death by his parents, Howard and Elsie, his brother Ronald and Mory, his wife Judy, and children Matthew and Chuck. He is survived by children Sharon Locklin (Ken Heer) of Green Bay, WI; Stuart E. Locklin of Albuquerque; Leanne Locklin (Lisa Gomez) of Albuquerque; Stephen Locklin (Lisa Hanson) of Green Bay, WI; Brian Locklin (Diane Wisor) of Albuquerque; Karen Cantoja (Al) of Albuquerque; grandchildren Shandra Shears, Lorenzo Cantoja, Jazmarie Wisor, Leonard Garcia, and Brian VanDenzen (Liz), along with great-granddaughter Lucia.

A Rosary beginning at 8:30AM and Mass of the Resurrection at 9:00AM will be held Tuesday, December 13 at Holy Family Church, 562 Atrisco Drive SW, Albuquerque, NM. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Holy Family St. Vincent de Paul, Albuquerque, NM or the [charity of your choice](#) .

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