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John Russell (1939 - 2019)

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"I always felt Jack was a good friend. I will miss him. ..."

- **John Barton**

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Service Information

Memorial service

Wednesday, Aug. 14, 2019

12:00 PM

St. Thomas of Canterbury Church
425 University Blvd NE

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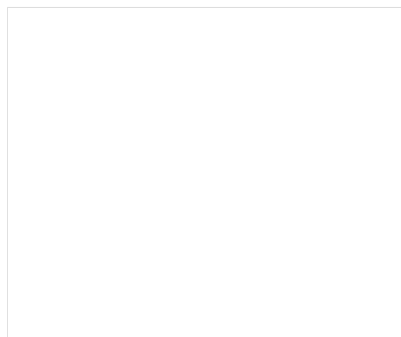


John "Jack" Russell

John Richard Russell passed away peacefully on July 28, 2019 in Albuquerque. He was born in Springfield, Mass. on May 12, 1939, the son of immigrants from the west of Dingle in County Kerry, Ireland. He served in the Diocese of Springfield and for many years in the Episcopal Diocese of the Rio Grande. An accomplished musician, he played the Irish button accordion and the piano. Irish music was a lifelong love for John and one of his greatest joys was playing with the legendary Chieftains in concert at UNM. John was a loyal friend of the Armenian community of New Mexico for many decades. Living his credo of helping the less fortunate, he regularly distributed food to the homeless. He is survived by his goddaughter Johanna. A memorial service will be held at noon on Wednesday August 14 at St. Thomas of Canterbury Church, 425 University Blvd NE.

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