

Media Release

The Hon Ben Carroll MP
Acting Premier



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STATE FUNERAL SERVICE FOR STEFAN ROMANIW OAM

A State Funeral Service to honour the extraordinary life of Stefan Romaniw OAM will be held at 10:00am on Friday, 12 July at Sts Peter and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral in North Melbourne.

Stefan was a fierce champion of multiculturalism and diversity in Victoria, and he firmly believed that our differences can only enrich us all for the better.

He was a tireless advocate who used the power of his revered voice to fight for others, a voice he often used to speak out against the war in Ukraine. He made it his life's work to preserve Ukrainian culture and identity, both in Australia and abroad.

The State Funeral will be open to the public, and for those unable to attend, the Service will be live streamed online.

At the request of Stefan's family and in lieu of flowers, tributes may be made in the form of a contribution to the Ukraine Crisis Appeal and the preservation of Sts Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral. To donate, please visit ukrainecrisisappeal.org or preservationproject.com.au.

Further details about how to attend or how to view the live stream will be shared in due course, with the most up to date information available at vic.gov.au/StefanRomaniw.

Quotes attributable to Acting Premier Ben Carroll

"Stefan was a leading light of our proud multicultural state and nation."

"His legacy will live on through the Victorians he reached, and the future generations he inspired."