

## Arthur J. Cole, Sr.

April 22, 1933 - March 12, 2026

Arthur J. Cole Sr., a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and friend, passed away peacefully on Thursday, March 12, 2026, at the age of 92. He was a cherished resident of New Baltimore, Michigan, and was born on a beautiful spring day in Roseville, Michigan, on April 22, 1933.

Art, as he was affectionately known, was the loving husband of Joan for an inspiring 67 years. Together, they built a family full of love and warmth. He was the devoted father to Wendy (Peter) Mikula, Arthur J. Cole Jr., and Heidi (Charlie) Glaub, and a proud grandfather to Christopher, Olivia, Isabelle, and Nicholas. Art is also survived by his brother, Stuart (Suzanne) DeFauw, Sister; Mary (Peter) Merrifield, many nieces, nephews, and other dear family members. He was preceded in death by his parents; Arthur and Clara Cole, beloved sister, Irene (John) Burlon, and his siblings-in-law, Frank (Geri) Peltier Jr., Donald (Millie) Peltier, Duane Peltier, Doris (Robert) Arnold, Margaret (Frank) Barnett, and Joseph (Jean) Peltier.

A dedicated and hardworking man, Art devoted much of his adult life to Chrysler Automotive at the Lynch Road Assembly Plant in Detroit. His career spanned roles in property management as a Fire Marshall and Security Personnel, a testament to his varied talents and commitment. Art carried his skills home, where he spent over 50 years tirelessly improving and expanding his home to accommodate his growing family.

A true sports fanatic, Art had a deep passion for all things related to the University of Michigan, and he shared this love with those around him. Despite his many talents and passions, Art remained a humble and simple man, always supportive of the endeavors of his wife, children, and family.

Art proudly served his country as a veteran of the U.S. Army, an experience that instilled in him values of dedication and service which he carried throughout his life.

He will be deeply missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him.

Visitation for Art will be held on Tuesday, March 17, 2026, from 10:00 am until 12:00 pm at the Wasik Funeral Home - Gendernalik Chapel, located at 35259 23 Mile Rd, New Baltimore, MI. A funeral service will follow on the same day at 11:30 am at the same location.

Arrangements have been graciously provided by Wasik Funeral Home. Art's legacy of love, dedication, and humility will forever remain in the hearts of his family and friends.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 17. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home - Gendernalik Chapel  
35259 23 Mile Road  
New Baltimore, MI 48047

## Funeral Service

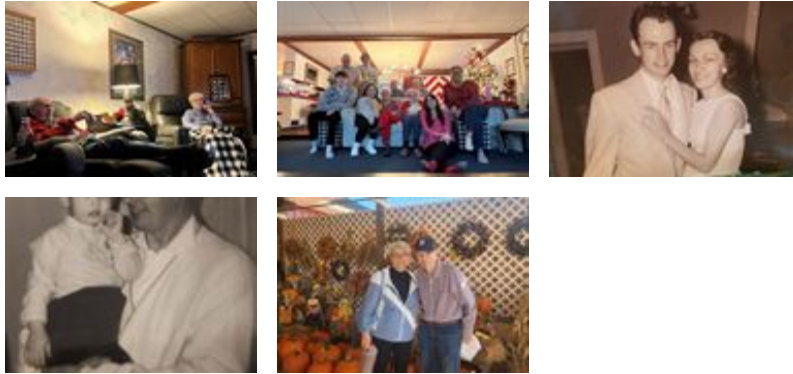
MAR 17. 11:30 AM (ET)

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35259 23 Mile Road  
New Baltimore, MI 48047

# Tribute Wall



“ 129 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Wasik Funeral Home, Inc. - March 16 at 01:34 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray* was purchased for the family of Arthur J. Cole, Sr..



March 16 at 10:53 AM



“ Jeanna Sheldon & the *BOLD Family* purchased the *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet* for the family of Arthur J. Cole, Sr..



Jeanna Sheldon & the *BOLD Family* - March 15 at 01:17 PM

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“ Randy and Karen Peltier purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Arthur J. Cole, Sr..



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**Randy and Karen Peltier** - March 15 at 12:55 PM

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“ The Yates & The Sluchak purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Arthur J. Cole, Sr..



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**The Yates & The Sluchak** - March 14 at 05:59 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Arthur J. Cole, Sr..



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March 14 at 11:57 AM

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“ Melinda & Mike, Steve, Victoria, & Maddy purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Arthur J. Cole, Sr..



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**Melinda & Mike, Steve, Victoria, & Maddy** - March 13 at 09:36 PM

MM

“ Melinda & Mike, Steve, Victoria, & Maddy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Arthur J. Cole, Sr..

Melinda & Mike, Steve, Victoria, & Maddy - March 13 at 09:36 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Arthur J. Cole, Sr..



March 13 at 08:51 PM

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“ Mary Merrifield purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Arthur J. Cole, Sr..



Mary Merrifield - March 13 at 08:10 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Arthur J. Cole, Sr..



March 13 at 07:01 PM



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