



Bernadine June Mikulski

June 17, 1931 - May 20, 2026

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Bernadine June Mikulski, who left us on May 20, 2026, at the age of 94 in Fraser, Michigan. Bernadine was born on June 17, 1931, in Detroit, Michigan, to her loving parents, Michael and Sophie (Fischer) Nawrocki. She spent her formative years in Detroit, leaving school after completing the 10th grade to embrace the workforce with dedication.

Bernadine was a devoted custodian throughout her life, known for her hard work and commitment. Above all, she cherished her family and was the beloved wife of the late Richard S. Mikulski, her partner in life whom she dearly missed.

As a mother, Bernadine was loving and devoted and is survived by her children: Paul (Christine), Perry (Christine), Dave (Kathleen), Kathy (Jim) Reynolds, and Mark (Jeanie) Mikulski. Although preceded in death by her children Dale and Duane Mikulski, and her granddaughter Janelle, her legacy continues through her twelve grandchildren: Jason, Nathan, Rachel, Ryan, Justin, Zach, Marissa, Sara, Mark, Derek, Lindsay, and Lauren, and her great-grandchildren: Parker, Aubrey, Grayson, Cora, Landon, Hunter, Lola, Daxton, Grady, Grace, David, Dane, and Evelyn, all of whom brought immense joy to her life.

Bernadine will also be remembered lovingly by her brother Leroy (Bernie) Mikulski, her dear daughter-in-law Sandy Mikulski, and many cherished nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. She is predeceased by her siblings Leonard (Virginia), Art (Jean), Jack (Jean), Irvin, Norm (Emily), Richard (Deloris), Eleanor (Steve), Irene (Gilbert), Dolly (Tom), and Marie Nawrocki.

Visitation to honor Bernadine's life will be held on Wednesday from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Wasik Funeral Home, located at 35259 23 Mile Rd., New Baltimore. A rosary service will take place at 4:00 p.m. that evening.

The celebration of her life will continue with a funeral mass on Thursday at 10:30 a.m., with Bernadine lying in state starting at 10:00 a.m., at St. Mary Queen of Creation Catholic Church, 50931 Maria St., New Baltimore. Internment will follow at St. Mary Cemetery in New Baltimore.

Bernadine June Mikulski's memory will live on in the hearts of all who knew and loved her. May she rest in peace.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary Cemetery

24 Mile Road
New Baltimore, 48047

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 27. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Rosary

MAY 27. 4:00 PM (ET)

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

Instate in church

MAY 28. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Mary Queen of Creation Church
50931 Maria Street
New Baltimore, MI 48047

Funeral Mass

MAY **28**. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Mary Queen of Creation Church
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New Baltimore, MI 48047

Tribute Wall

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“ *My grandma was the kind that everyone wishes they had. There was nothing better than the tradition of a Mikulski holiday with grandma's cooking from scratch...a feat that takes an assembly line at my house, but she would accomplish it solo to feed our small-army-sized family. Everyone was welcome, and everyone received the loveliest, most thoughtful gifts - regardless if they were family or not. Grandma's house was a reflection of her, too; beautiful, tidy and welcoming. She always made everything feel so special. I am so grateful for all of the wonderful memories. Grandma never wavered in her faith as a Catholic, and I know she is at peace in Heaven. Grandma, you are loved and missed more than you could ever imagine.*



Lindsay Esslin - June 05 at 10:36 PM

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“ If I had to choose one word to describe my mother's life, it would be devotion because of her commitment to our family was the absolute cornerstone of everything she did. Weeks or even months could pass where our family didn't see each other, but when that holiday or special event came around and we all gathered at her house, it was like no time at all passed, and there she was making everyone feel right at home while she slaved in the kitchen to ensure a great meal for all. Those were special times and will be greatly missed. Fortunately, those memories will be etched in the minds of my kids and grandchildren forever.

Later in life when she could no longer live alone, we made the decision to move in with my sister Kathy, where she had the best care anyone could ask for during the last few years of her life. And there is no doubt in my mind that this decision kept her around for that much longer, which allowed the family to visit and enjoy her company.

So now as we move on in life, it's hard to imagine my mother not being a part of it, but the love and great memories won't be forgotten.

Mom, thank you for the endless devotion, and the great life you have given us all. Rest in peace.....

David Mikulski - June 02 at 10:09 PM

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“ Brenda farrow (Moore) purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Bernadine June Mikulski.



Brenda farrow (Moore) - June 02 at 01:38 PM

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“ *Brenda farrow (Moore) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bernadine June Mikulski.*

Brenda farrow (Moore) - June 02 at 01:38 PM

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“ My mother deserves to be mentioned because her life was truly a blessing to others.

My memories of my mother are many, the one that stands out the most is how she always gave and gave and never expected anything in return. With my son's growing up without a dad , she was always concerned for their well being and was always asking me if I needed anything. She never turned any family members down when we needed her help picking up our kids from school or even wanting to get away on a short vacation, she would come and stay with everyone's kids. She just wanted to make everyone else happy & never gave enough time for herself. When she had the chance to run off on a nice remarkable vacation or treat herself to a nice gift, she didn't, she was always looking out for others and what they might need. Her ability to make every holiday the most magnificent one, was very memorable. She cooked and baked to no end, making the best tasting pierogis, kielbasa & golabki , that no one else could even compare to. She was a little perfectionist in every way, and it showed in everything she did. That gift of cooking and baking were all passed down to all her children, along with all her excellent recipes. She was always known to be fair and stick up for others if she saw any kind of injustice going on. Her ability to excel at everything she did was truly remarkable, from interior decorating to crocheting beautiful afghans to keeping an impeccable house , even though she cleaned schools for a living all her life. All us family members were coaxing her to always slow down and enjoy life a little more but she loved staying busy and being productive. Her beauty, warmth, generosity, & kindness will always be reflected in our memories of her! What saddens me is she never took a once in a lifetime vacation or treated herself to a remarkable gift that she so much deserved, but I know heaven is her permanent vacation destination that no other place would compare to, & that makes my heart full. You'll be so sorely missed Mom and always remembered!!

Kathleen Mikulski - June 02 at 07:48 AM