



David Joseph Reneski

August 25, 1939 - May 7, 2026

David Joseph Reneski, 86, of Detroit, finally took a day off on 05.07.2026, surrounded by the family he spent his life supporting.

Born and raised in Detroit, Dave spent 33 years on the assembly line at the Dodge truck plant. His philosophy was simple: "You don't get nothing for nothing. You have to earn it."

He married his sweetheart and remained devoted for 66 years. They raised 8 children together, and proved that love isn't a feeling you fall into — it's something you show up for every single day.

Dave taught his kids what respect looks like. Not the kind you demand, but the kind you give — to your elders, your spouse, the person bagging your groceries, and yourself. He believed respect meant keeping your word, doing your job right, whether anyone was watching or not, and treating everyone as if their time mattered as much as your own. He didn't lecture about it. He just lived it every day.

When he wasn't working, Dave knew how to enjoy himself. He loved a night at the casino, a good hand of cards, a well-thrown horseshoe, softball with the boys, and running the table at pool. He bowled, enjoyed live music, and knew how to cut a rug.

Beloved husband of Carol. Loving father of Chris (Rachel) Reneski, David (Debbie) Reneski, Randy (Carol) Reneski, Brian (Holland) Reneski, Rodney Reneski (Sherri Lambrechts), Dina (Edward) Downey, Kevin Reneski and Christina (Tony) Fraske. Proud grandfather of Melissa Reneski (Ken Lindke), Cody Reneski (Jenna Skehan), Brandon (Sarah) Reneski, Taylor Downey, Makenzie Reneski, Cara Reneski and Dylan Reneski. Dear great grandfather of Leia Reneski, Elliot Reneski and Lucy Werkman. Loving brother of Mary Ann (the late Al) Turke and the late Charles (Sylvia) Reneski, the late Carl (Barbara) Reneski and the late Conrad (Delores) Reneski.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, May 12, 2026 from 2:00-8:00 pm with a 7:00 pm scripture service at the Wasik Funeral Home 49150 Schoenherr Rd. (n. of 22 Mile Rd.), Shelby Twp. Instate Wednesday from 9:30 am until a 10:00 am funeral mass at St. Therese of Lisieux 48115 Schoenherr Rd., Shelby Twp., 48315.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 12. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home, Shelby Township
49150 Schoenherr Rd.
Shelby Township, MI 48315
(586) 532-8600
shelby@wasikfuneralhome.com

Scripture Service

MAY 12. 7:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home, Shelby Township
49150 Schoenherr Rd.
Shelby Township, MI 48315
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Instate in church

MAY 13. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Therese of Lisieux Catholic Church
48115 Schoenherr Rd.
Shelby Township, MI 48315

Funeral Mass

MAY 13. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Therese of Lisieux Catholic Church
48115 Schoenherr Rd.
Shelby Township, MI 48315

Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David Joseph Reneski.*



May 13 at 07:22 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of David Joseph Reneski.

May 13 at 07:22 PM



“ *Sarah & Isaac Beste purchased the Circle of Love Tear Bottle with Mini Dome for the family of David Joseph Reneski.*



Sarah & Isaac Beste - May 13 at 05:49 AM



“ *Brooke, Katie and Kassie purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of David Joseph Reneski.*



Brooke, Katie and Kassie - May 11 at 06:59 PM

PT

“ Poplar Farms Team purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of David Joseph Reneski.



Poplar Farms Team - May 11 at 06:21 PM

PT

“ Poplar Farms Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Joseph Reneski.

Poplar Farms Team - May 11 at 06:21 PM

AM

“ Anthony & Michaela purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of David Joseph Reneski.



Anthony & Michaela - May 11 at 06:01 PM

TL

“ Taylor and Lucy purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of David Joseph Reneski.



Taylor and Lucy - May 11 at 04:58 PM

PF

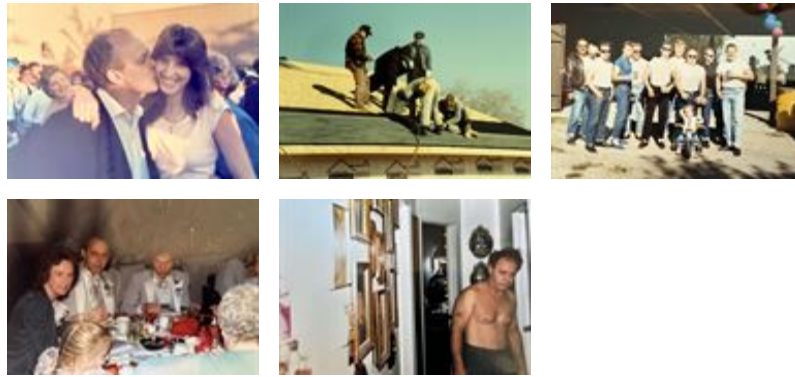
“ PMR Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of David Joseph Reneski.



PMR Family - May 11 at 04:01 PM



“ 522 files added to the album LifeTributes



Wasik Funeral Home, Inc. - May 11 at 02:55 PM

YF

“ Your #55 Family purchased the Country Basket B looms for the family of David Joseph Reneski.



Your #55 Family - May 11 at 02:07 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of David Joseph Reneski.*



May 11 at 01:30 PM



“ *Ron and Claudia Misiakowski purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of David Joseph Reneski.*



Ron and Claudia Misiakowski - May 11 at 11:35 AM



“ *Ron and Claudia Misiakowski planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Joseph Reneski.*

Ron and Claudia Misiakowski - May 11 at 11:35 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of David Joseph Reneski.*



May 10 at 09:16 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of David Joseph Reneski.



May 10 at 09:00 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of David Joseph Reneski.

May 10 at 09:00 PM



“ A Full Life was purchased for the family of David Joseph Reneski.



May 10 at 07:00 PM



“ Dave was not only my brother-in-law he was my best friend my buddy. I am really gonna miss you. I'm really gonna miss you buddy !! Leon

Leon Cynowa - May 10 at 01:23 PM

LO

“ Dave was our brother-in-law, but we always thought of him as our brother. We had the best time with Dave and Carol through the years, raising our kids together, going to Vegas, playing horseshoes in Dave’s backyard and always going somewhere together. Our hearts are breaking and we will miss him forever.

Lorenna - May 10 at 01:11 PM

JH

“ You couldn’t ask for a better Guy than Dave. A lot of good times and so much fun to be around. We will see you again. Love Jim and Margie Hardy

Jim and Margie Hardy - May 10 at 10:55 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of David Joseph Reneski.



May 10 at 09:27 AM