



## Joan Mary Gdowski

August 19, 1931 - April 24, 2026

Joan Mary Gdowski, a beloved member of the Davisburg, Michigan community, passed away peacefully on Friday, April 24th, 2026, at the age of 94. Born on Wednesday, August 19th, 1931, in Detroit, Michigan, Joan lived a life marked by love, devotion, and service to her family, friends, and community.

Joan was a dedicated bookkeeper throughout her career, and her keen attention to detail and steadfast dedication made her a trusted colleague and friend. Beyond her professional life, Joan was a devout member of the Altar Society at St. Isidore Catholic Church, actively participating in various church activities and lending her helping hands wherever they were needed.

Joan's life will be celebrated with a Funeral Mass at St. Isidore Catholic Church in Macomb, Michigan, on Saturday, May 2nd, 2026. Prior to the service, family and friends are invited to gather for the Rosary and visitation at Wasik Funeral Home in Shelby Township, Michigan. The Rosary will be held on Friday, May 1st, 2026, at 7:00 pm alongside visitation hours from 2:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

She is survived by her loving family, daughter Mariann (James) Young and son John (Theresa) Mylenek, alongside her cherished grandchildren Louis Mylenek, Emily (Peter) Warren, Adrienne (Jeff Bozell) Young, and Annabelle

Young. Joan was also a proud great-grandmother to Jacob, Thaddeus, Ruthie, and Sloane. She leaves behind many loving nieces and nephews, and her dear friend, Karista Job, all of whom will miss her warmth, laughter, and guidance.

Joan was preceded in death by her loving parents, Jan W. Szwapa and Mary Ann Szwapa, and her beloved spouse, Richard Gdowski, who now welcome her into eternal rest.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that donations be made in Joan's memory to the Capuchin Province of St. Joseph or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, continuing her legacy of compassion and generosity to causes close to her heart.

Joan Mary Gdowski will always be remembered for her gentle spirit, her unwavering faith, and the unconditional love she gave to those around her. She will be deeply missed by all who were fortunate enough to know her.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 1. 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

## Rosary

MAY 1. 7:00 PM (ET)

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

## Instate in church

MAY 2. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Isidore Catholic Church  
18201 23 Mile Rd.  
Macomb, MI 48042

## Funeral Mass

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MAY 2. 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Isidore Catholic Church  
18201 23 Mile Rd.  
Macomb, MI 48042

# Tribute Wall

NH

“ *Nada & Al Habbal purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Joan Mary Gdowski.*



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**Nada & Al Habbal** - May 01 at 07:47 AM

NH

“ *Nada & Al Habbal planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joan Mary Gdowski.*

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**Nada & Al Habbal** - May 01 at 07:47 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joan Mary Gdowski.*



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April 30 at 06:41 PM

PW

“ *I was fortunate to have known Joan and will miss our wonderful conversations. She was truly grounded in her Faith and she often spoke of it, even during our last 'good bye'. I will miss her.*

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**Pat Wurster** - April 30 at 01:17 PM

FB

“ Franco Borg purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Joan Mary Gdowski.



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**Franco Borg** - April 28 at 04:26 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Joan Mary Gdowski.



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April 28 at 11:31 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Joan Mary Gdowski.

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April 28 at 11:31 AM

LG

“ Love, Connie and Hungarian Kitchen gang purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Joan Mary Gdowski.



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**Love, Connie and Hungarian Kitchen gang** - April 27 at 04:37 PM

BC

“ *On behalf of the Capuchin friars, I offer condolences to the family and friends of Joan Gdowski. I pray for the repose of her soul, and that God's mercy will console all those who mourn her death. The Capuchins are truly humbled by memorial donations made in her memory.*



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**Br. Brenton Ertel OFM, Capuchin** - April 27 at 02:40 PM