



## Joseph A. Provenzano

December 26, 1923 - July 22, 2023

Joseph A. Provenzano, Beloved husband of the late Rina Provenzano, made the final journey home peacefully on the evening of July 22nd. Joe was born in Grand Rapids Michigan to Nunzio and Maria Antonia and grew up with Jimmy and Mary. Right out of high school Joe joined the U.S. Army and proudly defended his country. While overseas' s he met the love of his life in a quaint ice cream parlor in Parma, Italy. His love for Rina prompted him to reenlist to marry her and bring her to the United States. Together they made a home on Detroit's eastside and were parishioners of St. Philip Neri. Joe worked very hard in the newspaper industry at the Detroit Times and then the Detroit Free Press.

He always worked multiple jobs to provide for Rina and their four children who he is survived by: Nunzio "Nick" (Virginia), Joseph (Patricia), Patricia (late Barney) Mulrenin and Elena (Joe) Wiegand. From those children came twelve grandchildren, Jeffery, Lisa, Melissa, Patty Ann, Joseph, Sara, Christopher, Kristina, Tim, Nicole, Jenny and Larry. From these grandchildren came 26 great grandchildren: Abby, Seraphina, Zoey, Cameron, Nicholas, Hannah, Gary, William, Ryan, Samantha, Madeline, Eugene, Joseph, Kevin, Anthony, Christopher, Nicolas, Alexandra, Louis, Stella, Rina, Emma, Emilia, John, Joey and Kian. From these great grandchildren came 2 great great grandchildren Eloise and Charlotte.

Joe supported anyone that needed it, he was a dedicated family man and contributed to his community in many ways. He always had room in his home for anyone and was dedicated to the neighborhood birds on Cottage Lane. His unconditional love was repaid by the devotion of his children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and great great grandchildren from the eldest Nunzio "Nick" 76 years old to 2 month old baby Charlotte. His was a life of Faith, Hope and Love.

Visitation will be Friday 5-8 p.m. at the Wasik Funeral Home, Inc., 11470 Thirteen Mile Road (west of Hoover) Warren. Instate Saturday 9:30 a.m. until time of Funeral Mass 10 a.m. at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, 22412 Over Lake (corner of Mack Ave.) St. Clair Shores. Entombment Resurrection Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions In Memory of Joseph may be addressed to The Capuchins.

# Cemetery Details

## Resurrection Cemetery

18201 Clinton River Road  
Clinton Township, MI 48035

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 28. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home - Warren  
11470 Thirteen Mile Road  
Warren, MI 48093  
(586) 751-3131  
warren@wasikfuneralhome.com

## Instate in church

JUL 29. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church  
22412 Overlake Drive  
St. Clair Shores, MI 48080

## Funeral Mass

JUL 29. 10:00 AM (ET)

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22412 Overlake Drive  
St. Clair Shores, MI 48080



# Tribute Wall

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“ *To Kristina and Family,  
May God comfort you at this difficult time and  
wrap you in his loving arms and may his  
grace shine upon you, we will continue to  
pray for your family's strength in the coming  
days.  
With deepest sympathy,  
Nathan and Nerissa Reister*



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**Nathan Reister** - July 28, 2023 at 12:55 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of  
Joseph A. Provenzano.*



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July 27, 2023 at 03:51 PM

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“ *John LaQue lit a candle in memory of Joseph  
A. Provenzano*



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**John LaQue** - July 26, 2023 at 11:29 AM

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*Joe was my favorite resident at Cranberry Park and I will miss him dearly. He was the reason the that I went to work. Just knowing I would see his smile made my day. Just wanted the family to know Joe will always be my family to me.*

**Margaret Caldwell** - July 27, 2023 at 07:45 AM



“ 78 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Wasik Funeral Home, Inc.** - July 25, 2023 at 12:00 PM

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“ *On behalf of the Capuchin brothers I offer my deepest sympathies on the passing of Joseph. It is truly humbling to receive memorial donations in honor of his life. Please be assured of the brother's prayers for the entire Provenzano family during this great time of grief. May perpetual light shine upon Joseph.*

**Br Nick Blattner Ofm Capuchin** - July 25, 2023 at 09:46 AM