



## Joseph J. Wasik

April 7, 1942 - July 27, 2014

Joseph J. Wasik, Born on April 7, 1942 in Detroit, passed away on July 27, 2014, Shelby Township, Michigan, surrounded by his loving family, at the age of 72.

Joe was a resident of Shelby Township and Presque Isle Harbor, Michigan, and formerly of Warren and Detroit. He was a peaceful man and loved a simple existence with Camille in Presque Isle Harbor, Michigan. Joe cherished spending time with his family and was a very positive and optimistic person. He liked people to know he was "Just Ducky" and feeling great in life. He was the co-owner of Wasik Funeral Homes, a member of the Michigan Funeral Directors Association, where he recently received recognition for being a Funeral Director for 50 years. He was a passionate man who had a great love for his profession and managing the Funeral Home in Warren. Joe was very devoted to his faith, he was a member of St. Martin de Porres Parish and formerly of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church.

Loving and devoted husband of Camille for over 49 years; loving and proud father of Betsy (Len) Jenaway, Joseph P. (Lee Ann) Wasik, and Audrey (Keith) Jeffrey, and dear friend of Monsignor Gary T. Smetanka. Loving Papa of Adam, Noah, Caitlin, Jacob, Julia and Matthew. Dear Brother of Olga (the late John) Lewinski, Jerry (Mary Ann) Wasik, Henrietta (Bob) Steiner, and the late Mary Ann Wasik. Dear brother-in-law of Mary Ann (the late Bill) Votruba and

Bernie (Gary) Golbesky. Joe was also survived by his nieces and nephews; Mary Ellen, Michael, Scott, Rob, Jeff, Mark, Cookie and Dolly.

Visitation will be Wednesday from 4-9 pm, and on Thursday from 3-9 pm, with a vigil service at 7 pm Thursday at the Wasik Funeral Home located at 11470 Thirteen Mile Rd. (w. of Hoover Road) Warren. Joe will lay in state Friday 9:00 am until time of Funeral Mass at 9:30 am at St. Martin de Porres Church, 31555 Hoover Rd. (Warren). Interment will be at Resurrection Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to The Discalced Carmelites Sisters on Moravian Road (Clinton Twp.) or St. Aloysius Church (Franciscan Friars) located on Washington Blvd in Detroit. Expressions of sympathy may be directed to the family at [www.wasikfuneralhome.com](http://www.wasikfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Resurrection Cemetery

18201 Clinton River Rd  
Clinton Township, MI 48038  
(586) 286-9020

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 30. 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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

## Visitation

JUL 31. 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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

## Scripture Service

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JUL 31. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Warren, MI 48093  
(586) 751-3131  
warren@wasikfuneralhome.com

## Instate at Church

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AUG 1. 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM (ET)

St. Martin de Porres  
31555 Hoover  
Warren, Mi

## Funeral Mass

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AUG 1. 9:30 AM (ET)

St. Martin de Porres  
31555 Hoover  
Warren, Mi

# Tribute Wall

SB

“ *Our Deepest Sympathy and so very sorry as we were not able to make it to the viewing or service. We go back a very long time from Barlow to when the service you gave for my Mom, Millie Horeski was simple yet filled with such wonderful memories. As everyone grew the area on Barlow changed and we went so many different ways. I recall mostly when Joe walked home from work during the summer and Betsy, Joey and Audrey knew it was time to get out of "auntie Millie's pool and go home for dinner. May Our Dear Lord keep you all safe and secure in the palm of his hands and his Loving Angels wrap their wings around you and bring some comfort. Our love and prayers are with you always. God Bless, Thomas and Susan (Horeski) Boguslawski and family. ( I was in the hospital at the time of his passing but my continued prayers will remain with all of you).*

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**Susan Horeski- Boguslawski** - August 06, 2014 at 09:47 PM

SB

“ *Over the years, I have had the opportunity to serve God's people in various ministries. Working with the Wasik has been a true blessing for me for which I will always be grateful. Mr. Wasik was an example of a man who lived his faith. I am always happy to suggest the Wasik Funeral Home where you will be served with kindness and comforted in true sincerity. I have know courtesy and goodness in working with the Wasiks. It was Joe Wasik that I met back around 1990. He has influenced my life for the better. It is my prayer that his loved ones that predeceased him will welcome him home and all the families and people he ministered to will surround him and applaud his Homecoming!*

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**Sr. Ronnie Brune,csj** - August 03, 2014 at 11:21 PM

GS

“ *Gina Damiani Skiver lit a candle in memory of Joseph J. Wasik*



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**Gina Damiani Skiver** - August 03, 2014 at 08:58 AM

TH

“ *Our deepest sympathy for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Wasik family.  
Rick and Theresa Harris (from the Hempel family)*

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**Theresa Harris** - August 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GC

“ *My deepest symphony to the family of Joe. He will always be remembered by the Suminski family, and the Casselman family. My Dad Howard Simmons worked for him. we had excellent service when we lost both my mom and dad(simmons), my sister and brother in law( suminsk)my niece (suinski)and late husband (casselman) He was a great man and he was very helpful in our times of sorrow.  
Gerry Casselman St Clair Shores, Mi.*

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**Gerry Casselman** - August 02, 2014 at 10:01 PM

EB

“ Sorry for your loss. Joe Wasik was a great funeral director who always had a kind word for everyone. When he was still working I would chat and talk to him at various cemeteries a few times every year. He was never in a hurry and always had time for a few kind words. A tribute to funeral service. May He rest in peace.

*Ed Bruinsma*

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**Ed Bruinsma** - August 02, 2014 at 08:45 PM

JW

“ So Sorry for your loss.... He was wonderful person and a professional funeral director.

*John Wilk  
Wessels & Wilk*

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**john wilk** - August 02, 2014 at 10:29 AM

JH

“ Sorry for your loss... Joan Harri /Twin Flower Shop.



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**joan harri** - August 01, 2014 at 10:36 PM

DA

“ dear Camille and children so sorry to hear about joe I will never forget my music machine friends from olgc and the nights spent watghing jerry lewis telethons I just found out Friday afternoon of your loss dale ares

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**dale ares** - August 01, 2014 at 07:43 PM

KP

“ *The Wasik Family,*

*We are so sorry to hear about the loss of Joe. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. I will never forget the stories my Father, Bob Kolb shared with Joe.*

*Treasure the wonderful memories you shared with him. He will be truly missed.....*

*Love,*

*Kathy (Kolb) and Joseph Pietrzak*



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**Kathy (Kolb) and Joseph Pietrzak** - August 01, 2014 at 04:55 PM

AP

“ *The Piec family woud like to extend their deepest sympathies to the Wasik family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. I will always remeber the humor and wit of Mr. Wasik. His kind and gentle heart will always be remebered.*

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**Alex Piec** - August 01, 2014 at 03:05 PM

DE

“ *I was truly sadden by hearing of the loss of Mr. Wasik. It was clearly seen how loved and respected he was with everyone he came across. My memories of Mr. Wasik takes me back to living next door on Goulburn in Detroit.It was a different time.. You all are in my thoughts and prayers..*

*And you will see him again, of this I am sure... It's why its called a Passing..*

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**Dennis** - August 01, 2014 at 12:53 PM

RJ

“ Our deepest sympathy to the Wasik family. Joe on many occasions helped my family with the arrangements for almost all of my extended relatives including my parents and grandparents. Joe was very supportive of The Catholic Order of Foresters always donating for fund raisers, etc. Joe was a kind and fair man but most of all a Saint for all the lives he touched. Our sincerest condolences to the Wasik family.

*Raymond and Lea Krause Jr.*

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**Raymond E. Krause Jr.** - July 31, 2014 at 10:38 PM



“ Our deepest sympathy to the Wasik family. We really missed Joe & Camile when you moved to Shelby. You'll always be the best neighbors we've ever had. Bryan & Joann De Plancke

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**Bryan DePlancke** - July 31, 2014 at 09:41 PM

SC

“ I am so sorry to hear of Mr. Wasik's passing. Have known him since his dad had the funeral home across the street from St. Stanies church in Detroit. He was very helpful when I had to come to the funeral home to make arrangements for my many family members. Joe you will be surely missed.

*Susan Rock and family. Keeping you and your family in my prayers.*

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**Susan Rock Catenacci** - July 31, 2014 at 09:25 PM

GW

“ Dear Camille, Audrey, Betsey, Joe and the entire Wasik family. At this time of loss, please know that we're thinking of you and holding you close to our hearts. Joe will always be remembered as a kind, caring and loving neighbor who touched our lives in a very special way each and every day. May Joe always be beside you as you go along life's way.

*Our Deepest Sympathy,*

*Gary and Michele Wallman and family.*

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**Gary and Michele Wallman** - July 31, 2014 at 08:54 PM

NB

“ Our sincerest sympathy to the Wasik Family, you are in our thoughts and prayers at this sorrowful time.

*Our deepest condolences,*

*The Blocki, Bretz and Baumgartner Families*

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**Nancy Baumgartner** - July 31, 2014 at 07:16 PM

GB

“ Dear Mrs. Camille Wasik, Audrey, Joe,  
And Family,

*May God's open arms embrace*

*~ Joseph ~*

*Your Beloved Husband, Father and Papa,*

*May all the fondest of loving memories*

*Wipe away your tears, as joyous times shared embrace you with his  
love.*

*Our Deepest Condolences,*

*Love,*

*Gaspare & Mary*

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**Gaspare Bommarito** - July 31, 2014 at 02:04 PM

JB

“ *My sincere sympathy to the entire Wasik family. I have fond  
memories of my times at your home on Medbury and at your  
cottage. Even though Joe locked me in the morgue with a body as a  
joke when I was a kid, I still always liked him. Camille, may your  
family, faith and friends help you through this difficult time. God  
bless all of you!*

*Fondly,*

*JoAnn Jed Bianchette*

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**JoAnn Jed Bianchette** - July 31, 2014 at 01:19 PM

FK

“ *Henrietta Wasik: Fr. Joe Kuczborski from Palm Beach Florida. How well I remember the days at St. Stanislaus High School and the funeral home opposite the church. Your dad and brothers made up that beautiful neighborhood. My how things change and especially Detroit! Return often to St. Hyacinth's where memories live on!! Your brother and family will be remembered in a Mass intention. My sincerest condolences in this time of loss.*

*Fr. Joe Kuczborski  
Diocese of Palm Beach*

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**Fr. Joe Kuczborski** - July 31, 2014 at 01:01 PM

AW

“ *The memories of Joe will always live on in your heart. My thoughts and prayers are with all of the Wasik's through this very sorrowful time. He was a wonderful spirited man and one of a kind.*

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**Abigail Welby** - July 31, 2014 at 11:27 AM

LR

“ *So sorry for your loss. I remember him from OLGC, the good old days. My prayers & thoughts are with you & the Wasik Family.*

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**Linda Ryntz Ragland** - July 31, 2014 at 07:38 AM

GG

“ My sincerest sympathy to the entire Wasik family. I shall never forget how kind and fair Joe and Jerry were to my family when my parents and grandparents passed away. Going above and beyond expectations was just the norm. May the family find comfort in knowing the many lives that Joe touched and the families that he helped through difficult times with his caring, professionalism and kindness.

*Geralyn Garstka George*

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**Geralyn Garstka George** - July 31, 2014 at 05:04 AM

SB

“ My deepest sympathies to the entire Wasik family for their loss. I have known Joe for many, many years going back to the original funeral home on Medbury back in the old neighborhood. He was a very good friend that I will miss. Rest in peace, my friend.

*Stephen Bukowski*

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**Stephen Bukowski** - July 30, 2014 at 11:30 PM

RK

“ Our condolences from Ron and Diane Krakowski of Edmond, Oklahoma. We will always remember the fun times during the holidays at the Wasik family home. We will pray for Joe and the members of the Wasik family.

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**Ronald Krakowski** - July 30, 2014 at 10:27 PM

SB

“ Sue Berlin lit a candle in memory of Joseph J. Wasik



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Sue Berlin - July 30, 2014 at 09:40 PM

TF

“ To the Wasik family...Know that your family is in our thoughts and prayers. Cherish all the good memories. The Tonak family

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Tonak family - July 30, 2014 at 09:02 PM

AL

“ My sincerest sympathies to the entire family. I remember Joe very well, by his assistance thru several deaths in our family. My prayers are with you.

Anna Lyczak

For families: Lyczak, Grafinski, Dubiel

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Anna Lyczak - July 30, 2014 at 08:52 PM

MP

“ Our sincere condolences to the entire Wasik family. Your family has been a true friend of ours for many years We will keep all of you especially Joe in our prayers. He will be missed by many.. Love, Paul and Margaret Palka

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margaret palka - July 30, 2014 at 07:56 PM

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“ We are so very sorry to hear about Joe, our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time. he will be deeply missed.

*John, Mary, Tim and Evan Peterson  
(Konopaski)*



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**Mary Peterson (Konopaski)** - July 30, 2014 at 05:03 PM

JA

“ The Augustyn Family would like to express our sincere condolences to Camille and the whole Wasik family for your loss. We want to express our sympathy and let you know that our thoughts and prayers are with all of you in these difficult times. Joe always had a smile on his face, even in difficult times, he will be remembered always.



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**Jim Augustyn** - July 30, 2014 at 04:04 PM

RS

“ Richard Smolarz lit a candle in memory of Joseph J. Wasik



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**Richard Smolarz** - July 30, 2014 at 01:46 PM

MH

“ To the entire Wasik family, our deepest condolences on your loss, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Sincerely,  
The Corio & Hoenscheid family

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**Mary Corio Hoenscheid** - July 30, 2014 at 12:54 PM

CL

“ Dear Camille and the whole family.. I have memories of Joe, always a smiling, comforting face I saw visiting the funeral home at difficult times. Such a professional man I remember with a sense of humor! All of our family is thinking and sending prayers to all of you.  
God Bless,

*Claudia (Shada) & Rob Lamb, Carrie, Jill, Tara and Ashley*



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**Claudia (Shada) Lamb** - July 30, 2014 at 12:02 PM

CB

“ To the entire Wasik family.. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time. May Joe rest in peace.

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**Carol Bissa** - July 30, 2014 at 11:39 AM

FE

“ To the entire Wasik family, most especially to Joe and Audrey at the 22 mile funeral home,  
I extend my deep sympathy at your husband's and dad's passing. I am remembering him at my Masses here at St. Paul of Tarsus. May he rest in God's embrace from him many earthly labors. May God give you comfort.

*Fr. Ron Essman*

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**Fr. Ron Essman** - July 30, 2014 at 11:12 AM

G John  
Chawa

“ 1 Thessalonians 4:13-14

*But I would not have you to be ignorant , brethren, concerning them which are asleep , that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again , even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.*

*Mr Wasik was very compassionate and understanding funeral director during the loss of our parents. He truly is a servant of God! My God comfort your family during this difficult time. Garry Chawa and family.*



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**G John Chawa** - July 30, 2014 at 10:56 AM

CB

“ *Deepest sympathy to the entire Wasik family. I met Joe and Camille while in high school when Wasik Funeral Home sponsored our softball team. And we were runner-up City Champions that year! That started a friendship of over 48 years. Let your faith give you strength and courage in these difficult days ahead. Know that I am thinking and praying for Joe and the entire family. Rest in peace my friend.*

*Cheryl Barkovich*

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**Cheryl Barkovich** - July 30, 2014 at 10:53 AM

BT

“ Please accept our sympathy on behalf of the family of the late Stanley Turowski. Like Joe, my husband/father was so proud of his service as a Funeral Director. May they both rest in God's loving peace for the comfort they gave others during a difficult time.  
Dorothy Turowski and family.

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**Beverly Turowski** - July 30, 2014 at 09:49 AM

 Brian  
Carl  
Moler

“ To the Entire Wasik Family, My deepest sympathy to you. I have had the pleasure to meet Joe a few times at the Funeral Home. My Joe Rest In peace.



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**Brian Carl Moler** - July 30, 2014 at 09:25 AM

TD

“ Betty and I send our most sincere sympathy to the Wasik family. Joe was devoted to his family, his Church and his profession. An outstanding, funeral director, he brought comfort to thousands of families during his distinguished career.  
He will be missed by his family, the community and those of us in funeral service who respected him so much. May he rest in peace  
**TERRY DESMOND**

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**Terry Desmond** - July 30, 2014 at 06:58 AM

DJ

“ To Camille and the entire Wasik family; i am deeply saddened at the passing of a TRUE SERVANT OF GOD'S PEOPLE. I treasured his friendship and was very honored to work with Joseph. He always showed great CARE, COMPASSION AND RESPECT for the families he helped in their loss. We will always remember Joseph in our prayers.



Deacon Marion & Yvonne Jurewicz  
St. Martin de Porres

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Deacon Marion Jurewicz - July 29, 2014 at 01:15 PM

MM

“ To the beloved Wasik family: all of the Meades send their love and condolences to you. We all loved Joe too and mourn with you. See you soon at the funeral home and Mass. Love, Megan

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Megan Meade-Higgins - July 29, 2014 at 12:31 PM

SS

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you all. May the memories you have be a constant comfort and consolation.

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Spencer Skorupski - July 28, 2014 at 09:41 PM

 Diane  
Budzyn

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I think back on the good times we had at Our Lady of Good Counsel. What a sense of humor! He always made me laugh. Joe was a wonderful person and will be sorely missed.

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Diane Budzyn - July 28, 2014 at 09:10 PM

CS

“ *The Gornicki Family sends their condolences. Thoughts & prayers are with you and your family at this time...*



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**Christine Shefferly** - July 28, 2014 at 07:48 PM

RY

“ *Our deepest sympathy to your family during this time of loss. Joe was a special man of honor, especially in his dedication to the funeral profession. He was always a fellow director that we knew our firm could call when needing entrusted assistance in the Detroit area. We could count on Joe to be fair and give us quality performance. We always enjoyed renewing greetings each year and he will be missed at future conventions.*

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**Richard and Susan Young** - July 28, 2014 at 04:30 PM

SJ

“ *Susan Jacobs lit a candle in memory of Joseph J. Wasik*



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**Susan Jacobs** - July 28, 2014 at 12:57 PM