



## Kathleen J Kowiak

July 16, 1943 - December 23, 2024

Kathleen Kowiak, born July 16, 1943, in Detroit, Michigan, passed away on Dec. 23, 2024 in Clinton Towp at the age of 81.

Kathy will be remembered as an extremely creative, hard-working woman with a deep love for her family. Her grandchildren called her “Cookie,” and her sweetness certainly complimented her name. She had an infectious giggle, a playful nature, and a knack for brightening the mood with her silly songs or her sly smile when you left the room and she said “be a good girl/boy”.

Kathy loved all types of crafts. She had an immense creative talent, that could turn the simplest of objects into a masterpiece. She had a unique ability to make anything more beautiful.

A traditionalist at heart, Kathy took care of her children and husband, ensuring there was always food on the table and freshly ironed clothes ready each morning. She took great pride in taking wonderful care of her house and anything she touched around it. She was dedicated to those values until her health began to decline many years ago. Even through the toughest of challenges, she never stopped smiling and never complained about her circumstances. She was a true inspiration in living for today and not worrying about tomorrow.

Loving wife of the late Larry for 51 years. Dear mother of Christopher (Pamela) Franzoni and Traci (Brian) Thrush. Loving and proud grandmother of David, Nicole, Travis, Haley and Makenna. Proud great grandmother of Grayson, Moxie, Isabella and Kylee. Dear sister of Marianne (Joe) Tosto and Theodora "Darlene" (Dick) Schumaker. Visitation for Kathleen will be on Friday from 10:30 am until 12:30 pm at the Wasik funeral Home, Inc. 49150 Schoenherr Rd. (Shelby Twp.) Kathleen will be interred at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly, Michigan.

# Cemetery Details

## Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Road  
Holly, MI 48442

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 3. 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ 124 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Wasik Funeral Home, Inc. - January 03, 2025 at 10:06 AM



“ A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kathleen J Kowiak.

January 02, 2025 at 07:44 PM



“ *Tender Tribute* was purchased for the family of Kathleen J Kowiak.



January 02, 2025 at 03:00 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kathleen J Kowiak.

January 02, 2025 at 03:00 PM

FC

“ Fiske Brothers Refining Company purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Kathleen J Kowiak.



Fiske Brothers Refining Company - January 01, 2025 at 04:11 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Kathleen J Kowiak.



January 01, 2025 at 09:51 AM

KF

“ Kathy Schultheis & Family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Kathleen J Kowiak.



Kathy Schultheis & Family - December 31, 2024 at 11:38 PM

LT

“ Love, Jonathan and Kim Thrush purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Kathleen J Kowiak.



Love, Jonathan and Kim Thrush - December 31, 2024 at 11:08 AM



“ Love, Jonathan and Kim Thrush planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kathleen J Kowiak.

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**Love, Jonathan and Kim Thrush** - December 31, 2024 at 11:08 AM