



## Margaret Theresa Sander

March 24, 1929 - May 13, 2022

Margaret Theresa (Farro) Sander, born on March 24, 1929, died at the age of 93 years on May 13th, 2022. Margaret was preceded in death by her loving husband of 55 years, David Sander. She was the caring mother to son, Thomas Sander of Atlanta, GA, and daughter, Jean (Sander) Votruba of Oakland Township, MI. She adored her son-in-law, Jeffrey Votruba and two grandchildren Alanna Votruba and Evan Votruba. She is also survived by a sister-in-law, Brenda (Powell) Sander. Margaret was blessed to have an extended family of dear cousins, nieces and nephews. Margaret is preceded in death by her parents, Stephen Jack Farro and Theresa (Kotrba) Farro; sister, Irene (Farro) Makranyi, and brother, Frank Farro. Also preceding her were brother-in-laws and sister-in-laws, two nieces and nephews.

Born in Gaines, MI, Margaret grew up on a family farm tending to crops and cherished animals. She attended Yerkey School, a one room schoolhouse through 8th grade, then graduated from Mary Crapo High School in Swartz Creek, MI. Margaret attended Mercy School of Nursing at St. Lawrence Hospital in Lansing, MI. She earned her degree as a Registered Nurse. She pursued a career at Ingham Medical, where she worked in the emergency medicine specialty for years and transitioned to the position of Assistant Director of Nursing. Caring for others was her calling and it brought her great pride. During this time, Margaret met Dave through mutual friends and they married in 1965. She dedicated her attention to raising a family and was involved in the local schools and community volunteer organizations. She was

a joyful person, full of energy and loved traveling. Her and Dave were devoted parishioners at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church. They both enjoyed living in East Lansing and attended many activities at MSU over the years.

Together, Margaret and Dave spent summers at Elk Lake where they enjoyed boating, gardening, reading and exploring so many special places. A funeral mass will be held on June 17th, 2022, at 11:00am. The family will receive visitors at 10:00am. Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church, 143 Charles Street, Elk Rapids, MI 49629. The burial will take place following the mass at Milton Township Cemetery, Hickin Rd NW on west side of Cherry Ave.

# Cemetery Details

## Milton Township Cemetery

13121 Hickin Road Northwest  
Rapid City, MI 49676

# Previous Events

## Funeral Mass

JUN 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church  
143 Charles Street  
Elk Rapids, MI 49629

# Tribute Wall

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“ Aunt Margaret was always genuinely interested in what was going on in your life and very encouraging in any situation. She had a pragmatic but positive outlook on life. She and Uncle Dave were a great role model to other couples on how to go through life gracefully. Rest In Peace Aunt Margaret.

Frank

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Frank Sander - June 14, 2022 at 11:55 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Margaret Theresa Sander.



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June 12, 2022 at 03:57 PM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Margaret Theresa Sander.



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June 09, 2022 at 08:51 PM

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“ Margaret and I along with our husband's David and Steve spent many years together on Elk Lake. We have some wonderful memories. I will miss our phone calls and cherish the visits we had. Margaret was not only a sister-in-law but a good friend also.

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**Brenda** - June 07, 2022 at 11:56 AM

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“ Margaret's passing is bittersweet. Relief from her physical pain and being reunited with loved ones who passed before her soften the grief of not being able to talk and visit with her anymore. She was always so upbeat and cheerful. I'm sure she got her bustle back in heaven. I will absolutely miss her.

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**Fawn** - June 07, 2022 at 08:41 AM