



## Mary Margaret (nee Hafeli) Pylar

December 16, 1943 - August 10, 2015

Mary Margaret Hafeli Pylar, 71, of St. Clair Shores, MI peacefully passed away during her battle with acute myeloid leukemia on Monday August 10th, 2015 at the Karmanos Cancer Center in Detroit in the presence of her family. She was born on December 16, 1943 to Walter and Rose Hafeli in Detroit and attended Holy Name of Jesus Elementary School and St. Anthony High School in Detroit. She left her career as a beautician shortly following her marriage to Robert J. Pylar of Detroit and raised three children - Robert Mark, Donna Marie (Ray) Hollingsworth and Laura Maureen (Brian) Myers. Her passions included spending time with her family, especially her granddaughter, Willow, and friends, music, cooking, crafts, bowling and donating her time to various causes including the St. Margaret Sodality Club, of which she was a past treasurer and the St. Margaret Art & Craft Fair, which she co-founded and co-chaired with her dear friend, Justine Pouttu. Later in life she returned to work at the Assumption Nursery School & Toddler Center in St. Clair Shores, where she specialized with the "Young-5's" Program and created a culinary class and program designed to introduce children to the world of cooking.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her brothers, James (Betty) Hafeli and Gerald (Mary) Hafeli, her sister, Barbara Hafeli and nephew, John Hafeli.

She is survived by her husband and children as well as her granddaughter,

Willow, nephew, Dean (Tammy) Billbury and nieces, Jerilyn Hafeli, Sandy (John) Heiza, Sheri Hafeli, Karen (Jeff) Breza, Kathy (Steve) Randlett and Julie (Carl) Garbarino. She also leaves behind a great number of beautiful friends and magnificent memories.

Visitation will be held Saturday 10:30 AM until time of Funeral Mass 12 Noon with Reverend Ronald DeHondt officiating at St. Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church, 21201 E. 13 Mile Rd. in St. Clair Shores.

Memorial Donations may be made in Mary's name to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Pl, Memphis, TN 38105 or [www.stjude.org](http://www.stjude.org)

# Previous Events

## Instate at Church

AUG **15**. 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Margaret of Scotland  
21201 Thirteen Mile Rd  
St. Clair Shores, Mi

## Funeral Mass

AUG **15**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

LB

“ *Lisa Burry sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Margaret (nee Hafeli) Pylar*



**Lisa Burry** - August 15, 2015 at 01:03 PM

KK

“ *Karen Kaiser lit a candle in memory of Mary Margaret (nee Hafeli) Pylar*



**karen kaiser** - August 14, 2015 at 11:32 PM

KK

*yellow roses ,represent friendship, i hope this candle does to,i will miss you.my friend of many years.god bless your family.*

**karen kaiser** - August 14, 2015 at 11:36 PM

LC

“ *Rob,*

*We are saddened to hear of your mom's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family as you reflect on the joy and happiness your mom brought to all those that she touched in her life.*

*May God Bless your family,*

*Steve & Loretta*

**Loretta Czarnomski** - August 14, 2015 at 08:14 PM

RC

“ We sure are going to miss Mary. She was a wonderful neighbor in every way.

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**Rebecca Calappi** - August 14, 2015 at 06:41 PM

PO

“ Bob,

*Although we didn't know Mary well we learned of her struggles with cancer through our conversations with you. She was obviously a loving, generous person and she will be missed by all of your family and friends greatly. Words just don't seem to be enough to convey our heartfelt sympathy. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Sincerely,*

*Chris and Phyllis O'Brien*

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**Phyllis O'Brien** - August 14, 2015 at 11:29 AM

KK

“ Bob and family, you are in our thoughts and prayers. May you find comfort in the loving memories and support of friends and family.

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**Kristie and Fran Kabacinski** - August 12, 2015 at 01:03 PM

MK

“ For over 50+ years Mary was a good and steadfast friend and it was always a joy to be around her. Faith, family and friends guided Mary's life and her passing will be felt by us all.

*Matt Korbeck*

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**Matt Korbeck** - August 12, 2015 at 11:40 AM

JL

“ When you meet someone in life who is at peace with their place in this world it shows. That was Mary Pylar. What a beautiful woman and what a loss for this world.....Jim Lewis

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**Jim Lewis** - August 11, 2015 at 09:27 PM

JG

“ Over twenty years ago,my mother-in-law, Alice Grauzer told me she had a friend in St. Margaret Sodality Club who was looking for a job at a pre-school. I was teaching at Assumption Nursery School at the time and I talked to our director,who hired Mary. She was a joy to have at our school and she quickly made many friends that she kept for the rest of her life. I had many a fun evening singing karaoke and enjoying the delicious appetizers that Mary shared at our friend Janet's house.

*Mary was a beautiful person inside and out.*

*You are in my prayers,  
Jill Grauzer*

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**Jill Grauzer** - August 11, 2015 at 08:37 PM

YS

“ So very sorry for the loss of your beloved wife, mother and grandmother.

*I worked with Mary at Assumption Nursery School, where we became friends. She was always so sweet and kind and very helpful to me. I wrote a poem for her at her retirement party at Assumption. I so admired her faith and courage as she struggled with breast cancer.*

*May the Lord wrap His loving arms around each of you and bring you comfort at this very sad time.*

*My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*Very Sincerely.*

*Yvonne Schwandt  
Kentwood Michigan*

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**yvonne Schwandt** - August 11, 2015 at 08:29 PM