



Mary Ann Wasik

November 10, 1931 - March 17, 2024

Mary Ann Wasik passed away on March 17, 2024 at the age of 92. Mary Ann was born in Rock Valley, Iowa the 7th of eight children born to Michael and Mary Doherty.

Growing up on the family farm in Iowa was difficult but her childhood was filled with love from her parents and siblings. Mary Ann was educated in a one room school house and she legitimately did walk 2 miles to school in blinding Iowa snowstorms although her children and grandchildren refuse to believe that it actually was up hill both ways.

Mary Ann continued her education by attending nursing school at Presentation College in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. After attaining her RN, Mary Ann set off on an adventure by driving to California seeking employment. Their best and least expensive fare was to drive a couple of dealer trade cars from Iowa to Los Angeles so that's exactly what they did.

Mary Ann settled in for life on the west coast but soon her career advancement led her to a short stint in New York. After spending some time on the Continental bookends of our country, Mary Ann once again sought employment, landing in the Metro Detroit area. She started working as a Nurse at a local oral surgeon's office and started to grow roots in the area. She eventually landed a spot teaching at Mercy School of Nursing in Detroit.

When Mercy closed for the construction of the GM Assembly plant Mary Ann found work at Saratoga Hospital in Detroit eventually retiring in the early 2000's from St. John North East Hospital.

After landing in Detroit, Mary Ann joined the Skiwi Ski Club of Detroit. She met many lifelong friends through this social group and soon met a tall undertaker from Detroit who would soon become her husband. Jerry and Mary Ann started their life adventure together August 2, 1968 and 4 years later welcomed their daughter Mary Ellen into their little family. In 1973 their family of three became their family of four when they opened their home to their son Michael. Jerry and Mary Ann were married for 52 loving years before his death in October of 2020.

Mary Ann declined over the last number of years as Alzheimer's Disease set in. This wretched and insidious disease took most of what was important to her but through the disgusting grasp of this horrible condition Mary Ann maintained her friendly attitude often talking to complete strangers as if they were life long friends and maintained her sarcastic edge right to the very end.

She is the beloved wife of 52 years of the late Jerome F Wasik, Jr. Loving mother of Mary Ellen (Ross) Corio and Michael (Alissa) Wasik. Very proud grandma of Alaina and Lauren Wasik and Ashley (Cullen) Hall, Katrina (Ryan) McCarron and Anthony (fiancée Dr. Holland Korbitz) Corio and great grandma of Maverick McCarron. Dearest sister of the late Kathleen (the late Elmer) Oetken, the late Donald 'Bud' (the late Lucille) Doherty, the late Rose (the late Bernard) Kippley, the late Gerald Doherty, the late Monica (the late Mark) Carmon, the late Robert (Alice) Doherty, and the late Jack Doherty. Dear sister in law of Henrietta 'Babe' (Bob) Steiner, the late Joseph (Camille) Wasik, the late Mary Ann Wasik and the late Olga (the late John) Lewinski. Mary Ann is further survived by many, many loving nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

Visitation Sunday 1-8 pm with a Nurse Honor Guard Ceremony at 6:45 pm and Rosary at 7:00 pm at the Wasik Funeral Home, Inc., 49150 Schoenherr Rd (n. of 22 Mile Rd.) Shelby Twp. Instate Monday 9:30 am until 10:00 am funeral mass at St. Therese of Lisieux Catholic Church, 48115 Schoenherr Rd. (N of 21 Mile Rd) Shelby Twp.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the Capuchins or the St Jude Children's research Hospital.

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

18201 Clinton River Road
Clinton Township, MI 48035

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 24. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Rosary

MAR 24. 7:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home, Shelby Township
49150 Schoenherr Rd.
Shelby Township, MI 48315
(586) 532-8600
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Instate in church

MAR 25. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Therese of Lisieux Catholic Church
48115 Schoenherr Rd.
Shelby Township, MI 48315

Funeral Mass

MAR 25. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Therese of Lisieux Catholic Church
48115 Schoenherr Rd.
Shelby Township, MI 48315

Tribute Wall



“ *Wasik Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mary Ann Wasik*



Wasik Funeral Home, Inc. - March 25, 2024 at 09:36 AM



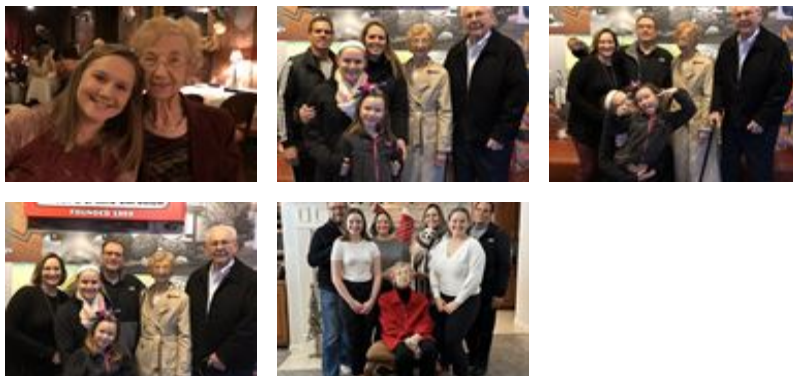
“ *Mary Ellen, Mike and entire Wasik Family our Sincere Condolences to all of you. Your Mom was very special to many people along with your Dad. God Bless Your Family always, and we extend our sympathy to you especially during this Easter Season.*



Darryl P. Onderik - March 24, 2024 at 04:00 PM



“ *48 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Wasik Funeral Home, Inc. - March 23, 2024 at 02:53 PM

SD

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Sue Doherty - March 23, 2024 at 12:59 PM

SD

What a wonderful trip to Ireland and Spain. Aunt MaryAnn kept us on our toes.

Sue Doherty - March 23, 2024 at 01:00 PM

RW

“ Mary and Family, please accept our sincerest sympathy at the loss of your Mom. I know you have many memories to cherish. May she rest in peace. Sincerely, Mr. & Mrs. Warrick

Renee Warrick - March 22, 2024 at 06:04 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Ann Wasik.



March 22, 2024 at 03:53 PM

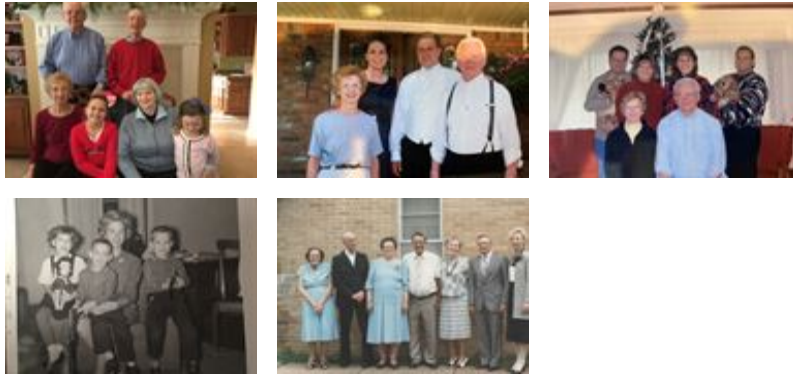
KK

“ Mary Ann worked for my father, Dr Lawrence Kroha. I have many great memories of her...one special memory...our family drove to Colorado every summer for a vacation. One year we went to visit Mary Ann's family farm in Iowa. Her parents were so very kind...and I remember the chicken dinner that was prepared for our family and as youngsters do we ran all over that farm ...we probably scared those chickens to death!! Mary Ann was kind and gentle and I believe she was the reason I wanted to be a nurse❤️❤️

Kristine Kroha-Piana - March 22, 2024 at 02:15 PM



“ 210 files added to the album LifeTributes



Wasik Funeral Home, Inc. - March 22, 2024 at 11:39 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Ann Wasik.



March 22, 2024 at 11:24 AM

HN

“ Harold and Susan Nowak purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Mary Ann Wasik.



Harold and Susan Nowak - March 22, 2024 at 11:12 AM

CC

“ A message to Mary Ellen and family: My family and I pray for you and the entire Wasik family during these difficult times. Please know that I will always remember the special care you took the day my mother passed. You and your family are special care givers for so many. I'm certain that gift comes from your mom and dad. May they both rest in peace together. 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

Claude Caponi - March 22, 2024 at 09:18 AM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Mary Ann Wasik.



March 21, 2024 at 05:07 PM

TF

“ From: The Dittrich Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Ann Wasik.

The Dittrich Family - March 21, 2024 at 05:07 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Ann Wasik.*



March 21, 2024 at 09:28 AM



“ *Bob and Alice Doherty Family planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Mary Ann Wasik.*

Bob and Alice Doherty Family - March 21, 2024 at 09:28 AM

GB

“ Dear Mike and Mary and Families,

Your Mother would always cheer the hearts of everyone with her kindness and Her sweet personality!

She was very thoughtful when thinking of others as she gifted lovely Baby Dresses to our new born Granddaughter, how very nice and thoughtful of her thinking of our precious Granddaughter when she was born.

Her kindness touched our hearts.

We know how your Mom and Dad had always shared their life so sweetly together and now their lives with God in heaven will unite them once again.

May all the wonderful memories of your Mom continue to be grand and lasting

As you reminisce and think of her in your loving way. She truly was a Lady!

May God Bless all of you now and as time passes.

Affectionately,

Gaspare & Mary Bommarito Family



Gap & Mary Bommarito - March 19, 2024 at 10:07 PM

MW

Thanks Gap and Mary...know you meant a lot to my folks too

Michael Waisk - March 20, 2024 at 09:13 PM

JB

“ So blessed to have known Ms Wasik she was wonderful women so many talents. Beautiful wife, amazing mom, giving nurse and friend so many. Glad I got be part many family fun times. we will miss you
Love Julia and Mark

Julia barowicz - March 19, 2024 at 09:17 PM

LS

“ Planting a memorial tree is our way of paying tribute to a friend that has been a part if our lives for for so many years and so many good times. A life well lived will be memorialized in the memorial tree .
God bless the whole family. Al and Liz Sponholz

Liz and Al Sponholz - March 19, 2024 at 01:25 PM

EC

“ Elizabeth C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Ann Wasik.

Elizabeth C. - March 19, 2024 at 01:15 PM

PH

“ Mary Ellen & Michael
Sympathies to you and family at this time of loss of your Mother.
God bless
Phil and Mylene

philip - March 19, 2024 at 12:46 PM

OK

“ Our deepest condolences to the Wasik family. May she rest in peace.
Gary and Olivia Kott

olivia Kott - March 19, 2024 at 07:00 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mary Ann Wasik.*



March 18, 2024 at 01:05 PM



“ *Dear Mary Ellen, Michael and family my deepest sympathies for the loss of your mother. I remember seeing her and your father at all the activities at St Lawrence while you were attending school there and while our children were also there. They always had a welcoming smile when they would see us. God bless her and all of your family.*
Tony Cavaliere

Tony Cavaliere - March 18, 2024 at 12:46 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mary Ann Wasik.*



March 17, 2024 at 11:07 PM



“ *Ashley, Katrina and Anthony planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Ann Wasik.*

Ashley, Katrina and Anthony - March 17, 2024 at 11:07 PM

SS

“ I have so many great, cherished memories of Aunt Mary Ann. She dearly loved her family and was dedicated to the nursing profession. Rest in peace, dear Aunt Mary Ann ... you'll always be in our hearts!

Scott Steiner - March 17, 2024 at 04:30 PM

PK

My mother absolutely loved and cared about Jerry and Mary Ann. She was for a lack of a better term, the Nanny for both Michael and Mary Ellen. Every Christmas they make sure they stopped by to wish my mother and our family Merry Christmas, no matter whose house we were celebrating at. They made their drive Farming Hills or Rochester Hills or city of Macomb. They were there. All the Kozicki's will dearly miss our family member, Mary Ann. She was a respectful, gentle lady and I always admired her thoughtfulness. May God Bless you Mary Ann you will always be in our hearts.
Paul & Karen Kozicki

Paul Kozicki - March 18, 2024 at 11:27 AM

SS

We are so sorry for your loss. May your happy memories of her always be in your heart.

Sharon Skorupski and Rodney Lucas

Sharon Skorupski - March 19, 2024 at 11:45 PM

JW

*Mary Ellen, Michael and family,
The Woods family send our thoughts and prayers to your family during this sad time. Your family, going back to your grandparents, dad and mom have always been there for our family when we needed them. May our Almighty God bless your mom as she joins her loved ones in the eternal family.*
Jeffrey Marsha Woods and family

Jeffrey Woods - March 22, 2024 at 07:13 AM

PL

My mother was at the same memory care facility as Mary Ann. Mary Ann was always smiling and talkative. Always said hello to us. She loved talking about her nursing days. Great lady, may her soul rest in peace

Paul Lindstrom - October 09, 2025 at 07:16 PM