



## Rosalina Kanan

May 27, 1936 - April 30, 2025

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Rosalina "Lena" Kanan, who departed this life on April 30, 2025, in Clinton Township, Michigan. At the age of 88, Lena leaves behind a legacy of love, laughter, and cherished memories.

Born on May 27, 1936, in Detroit, Michigan, Lena was the cherished daughter of an expansive Italian family, known for its vibrant traditions and close-knit bonds. In 1953, she met the love of her life Paul "Bugsy" Kanan. Together they shared an extraordinary 70 years of marriage and the joy of raising five children.

In addition to her beloved husband Paul, Lena is survived by her children; PJ, Michael (Sharon), Kathy Gudenau, Lee Ann (Joseph) Wasik. Her nurturing spirit extended to her role as a caring grandmother to Paul III, Dominic, Michael Jr., Brittney, Elizabeth, Alexandra, Peter Jr., Ryan, Darrell, Noah, Jacob, and Matthew, as well as 16 great-grandchildren, all of whom will carry forward her enduring legacy. She will also be missed dearly by her loving and patient caregiver, Kanita.

Lena was predeceased by her son, Peter, son-in-law, Darrell Gudenau, and her siblings: Maria Saad, Peter Filiccia, Rose Filiccia, Dolly Thomas, Grace Morreale, Salvatore Filiccia, and Jimmy Filiccia, who now welcome her with

open arms.

Throughout her well-lived life, Lena was surrounded by love, laughter, and family gatherings that were always plentiful with food. Her joy was evident during every holiday and special occasion. A remarkable golfer and bowler, Lena's friends and family will fondly remember her jubilant stories of her hole-in-one at Hillcrest Country Club.

Earlier in her life, Lena was an accomplished musician who brought life to the accordion and piano with her exceptional talent.

Family and friends are invited to celebrate Lena's life during a visitation at Wasik Funeral Home, Inc., 49150 Schoenherr Road (north of 22 Mile) Shelby Township on Sunday, May 4, 2025 from 2:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Additional visitation will be held at St. Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church, 43888 Hayes Road (north of 19 Mile) Clinton Township on Monday, May 5, 2025 from 10:30 am to 11:00 am followed by a Funeral Mass at 11:00 am at the same location.

# Cemetery Details

## Resurrection Cemetery

18201 Clinton River Road  
Clinton Township, MI 48035

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 4. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Scripture Service

MAY 4. 7:00 PM (ET)

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

## Visitation

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MAY 5. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Sharbel Church  
43888 Hayes Road  
Clinton Township, MI 48038-3516

## Funeral Mass

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MAY 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Sharbel Church  
43888 Hayes Road  
Clinton Township, MI 48038-3516

# Tribute Wall

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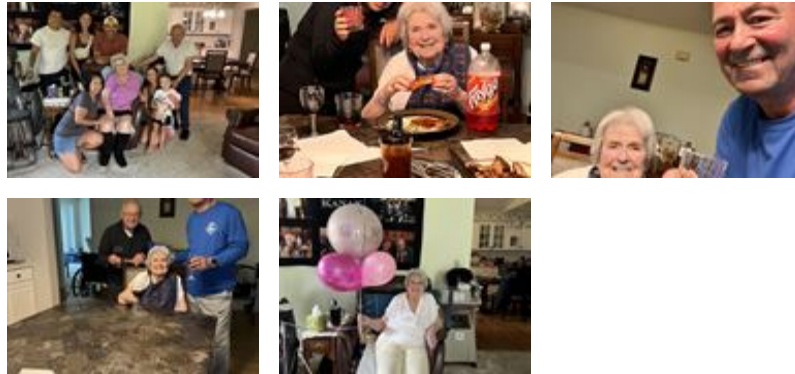
“ Your Joe Muers Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Rosalina Kanan.



Your Joe Muers Family - May 03, 2025 at 04:57 PM



“ 187 files added to the album Life Tributes



Wasik Funeral Home, Inc. - May 03, 2025 at 03:05 PM

YP

“ Your Goddaughter, Gracie, & Palimino's planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rosalina Kanan.

Your Goddaughter, Gracie, & Palimino's - May 03, 2025 at 02:58 PM

YP

“ Your Goddaughter, Gracie, & Palimino's purchased the "Sending You an Angel" Statue Candle Holder with LED Candle to Express Sympathy for the family of Rosalina Kanan.



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**Your Goddaughter, Gracie, & Palimino's** - May 03, 2025 at 02:58 PM

GP

“ Aunt Lena was my Godmother and was always excited when she saw my family come in. She always said "Here comes Gracie and all her ducklings"! When I was only about 8 years old, we had one of our weekly get togethers, I was holding someone's baby and Aunt Lena told mom (Mary) she's going to have a whole house full of kids someday! I love you Aunt Lena. May you be in the presence of our Lord and Savior and have the Mantle of our Blessed Mother's protection. Say hi to My John for me.

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**Grace Palimino** - May 03, 2025 at 02:54 PM

BC

“ Brett & Elmira Cecchini purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Rosalina Kanan.



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**Brett & Elmira Cecchini** - May 03, 2025 at 01:13 PM

DO

“ Lena was a sweet and caring friend and neighbor. We enjoyed our walks and talks together. She will be missed so much. Our hearts go out to the family. We love you Lena and Paul. God's speed. Dotie and Tom Ochenski



Dorothy and Tom Ochenski - May 02, 2025 at 04:49 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rosalina Kanan.



May 02, 2025 at 04:31 PM



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

May 02, 2025 at 04:31 PM

TS

“ TD SYNEX planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rosalina Kanan.

TD SYNEX - May 02, 2025 at 04:21 PM

TS

“ TD SYNEX purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Rosalina Kanan.



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**TD SYNEX** - May 02, 2025 at 04:21 PM

BS

“ Our Deepest Sympathy for your loss. She will always be missed .Sending our Prayers .  
We are having a Tree planted to grow towards the heavens above in Memory of Dear Aunt Lena.

*Love Bill and Cathy*

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**Bill and Cathy saad** - May 02, 2025 at 03:49 PM



“ Ever Upward Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rosalina Kanan.



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May 02, 2025 at 03:43 PM



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

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May 02, 2025 at 03:39 PM

MB

“ Marty and Tracy Brady planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rosalina Kanan.

Marty and Tracy Brady - May 02, 2025 at 01:50 PM

MB

“ Marty and Tracy Brady purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Rosalina Kanan.



Marty and Tracy Brady - May 02, 2025 at 01:50 PM

TT

“ The InaCOMP team purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Rosalina Kanan.



The InaCOMP team - May 02, 2025 at 01:44 PM

TT

“ The InaCOMP team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rosalina Kanan.

The InaCOMP team - May 02, 2025 at 01:44 PM

RB

“ Robbie and Sue Burke purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Rosalina Kanan.



Robbie and Sue Burke - May 02, 2025 at 11:40 AM

TL

“ Terri Lee-Frederick lit a candle in memory of Rosalina Kanan



Terri Lee-Frederick - May 02, 2025 at 11:11 AM

JJ

“ Jimmy Sr., Shelley & Jimmy Saad Jr. purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Rosalina Kanan.



Jimmy Sr., Shelley & Jimmy Saad Jr. - May 01, 2025 at 10:19 PM

JJ

“ Jimmy Sr., Shelley & Jimmy Saad Jr. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rosalina Kanan.

Jimmy Sr., Shelley & Jimmy Saad Jr. - May 01, 2025 at 10:19 PM

MD

“ Margaret DalPra lit a candle in memory of Rosalina Kanan



Margaret DalPra - May 01, 2025 at 06:55 PM

BF

“ Brodie & Denise Burton & family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rosalina Kanan.

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**Brodie & Denise Burton & family** - May 01, 2025 at 06:17 PM

BF

“ Brodie & Denise Burton & family purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Rosalina Kanan.



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**Brodie & Denise Burton & family** - May 01, 2025 at 06:17 PM