



Thaddeus J. Kotula

August 27, 1943 - May 7, 2019

Thaddeus J. Kotula passed away on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at St. John Ascension Hospital in Detroit, Michigan. Ted was born on August 27, 1943 in Detroit to Thomas P. and Julia Kotula. Ted is the beloved husband of Katherine. Loving father of Paul (Jennifer) Kotula, Veronica (David) Reardon, and Kevin (Christine) DuFoor. Proud grandfather of Hannah Reardon, Paul Kotula, Jr., Mallory Reardon, Matthew Kotula, and Emily and Alexander Defoor. Dear brother of Thomas (Connie) Kotula. Ted was a proud member of the Detroit Fire Department, retiring in 1996 after 29 years of service and after receiving many commendations for bravery and other efforts to the department. He loved fishing and driving his classic cars. Ted was known for his quick wit and his love of crossword puzzles. He will be dearly missed by his many family members and friends. Visitation Sunday 2-8 PM with a 6:30 PM Firefighter's tribute and a 7:00 PM Scripture service at the Wasik Funeral Home, Inc. 49150 Schoenherr Rd. (n. of 22 Mile Rd.), Shelby Twp. Instate Monday 10:30 AM until 11:00 AM Funeral Mass at St. Ambrose Catholic Church 15020 Hampton St. (n. of Alter Rd.), Grosse Pointe Park. Expressions of sympathy may be shared with the family at www.wasikfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 12. 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

Scripture Service

MAY 12. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Shelby Township, MI 48315
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Instate at Church

MAY 13. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Ambrose
15020 Hampton St
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
(313) 822-2814
<http://stambrosechurch.net>

Funeral Mass

MAY 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

GB

“ *Tadziu as we called him and the rest of the gang (Olszewski boys, Bob Zielinski, etc.) played ball mostly at Ferry Park. He lived on McDougall and I lived at 3141 East Palmer. One year we played for Tech TV (corner of Ferry and Mcdougall). Lots of fun times.....RIP brother. Thank you for your service with the fire department.*

George Berlinski

GEORGE BERLINSKI - February 22, 2023 at 03:01 PM

AN

“ *RIP Ted! You were always a nice guy.. Glad we went to high school together. I remember you being really good at Bowling. God bless you Ted...*

Your old friend Andrew H.

Andrew - May 12, 2019 at 04:29 PM

LH

“ *Our deepest sympathy to Katherine and family . Ted was my very good friend and will be truely missed. It was always a good day when Ted was around.*

*RIP
Lon and Nancy Hischke*

lon hischke - May 11, 2019 at 11:38 AM

RB

“ *"Toxic Twins" " Botulism Bok" "Ptomaine Ted". Names given to us while cooks in the D.F.D. We shopped together and sometimes got back late. I wonder why?*

We always went to Happy Hour at Pub Froggy, but for the last year and a half it was not the same without Ted.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to the Kotula Family from myself and Karen. R.I.P Pal.

Botulism Bok (Rick)


Richard Bokuniewicz - May 10, 2019 at 07:04 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Thaddeus J. Kotula.*



May 09, 2019 at 11:34 PM

 Lori
Hayes-
Rowe

“ *Prayers for the family
Missed him since Lois sold Froggys
Heaven has gained an angel*

Lori Hayes-Rowe - May 09, 2019 at 11:14 PM

NR

“ *Ted helped my Grandpa Don save a mans life when they worked together at Engine co 18s. It was a pleasure to meet ted. I know he will be missed. you were a great man Ted.*

Nicholas Relich - May 09, 2019 at 06:17 PM

PS

“ *May God Bless the Entire Kotula Family and Friends (ret. DFD, Paul Sevald)*

Paul Sevald - May 09, 2019 at 06:35 AM

JJ

“ *Ted will be missed here at the pharmacy. Just to hear his voice asking us to fill his prescriptions Kathy will be there to get them.*



Jodi De Jaeghere - May 08, 2019 at 07:45 PM

MH

Sorry for your loss Mrs. Kathy and your family. Your in my prayers

Melissa Hader - May 12, 2019 at 06:10 PM