



Tom V. Rudnik

July 21, 1941 - May 15, 2020

Tom V. Rudnik, of Warren, passed away Friday, May 15, 2020, at the age of 78. He was born July 21, 1941 in Detroit, Michigan to the late Vincent and Frances Rudnik. Dearest brother of Barbara (the late Thomas) Jozefowicz, Bill Rudnik, and Fran (Walter) Ahel. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Tom honorably and faithfully served his country as a member of The United States Army. Visitation Wednesday 1-4 p.m. at the Wasik Funeral Home, Inc. 11470 Thirteen Mile Road (West of Hoover) Warren. Please note there may only be 10 people in the building at one time, so you may be asked to wait to enter and a mask or face covering is required. Tom will lie in state Thursday 9:30 a.m. until a 10 a.m. Funeral Mass at Assumption Grotto Church, 13770 Gratiot Avenue (North of McNichols) Detroit. Interment Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Olivet Cemetery

17100 Van Dyke St
Detroit, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 20. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home - Warren
11470 Thirteen Mile Road
Warren, MI 48093
(586) 751-3131
warren@wasikfuneralhome.com

Instate at Church

MAY 21. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Assumption Grotto
13770 Gratiot Ave
Detroit, MI 48205

Funeral Mass

MAY 21. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JB

“ Tom served honorably during approx. 20 year stint in the Legion of Mary w/the Blessed at mother as its Queen & commander. Tom happily served our lady helping her by visiting neighbors going door-to-door and inviting to church around Assumption Grotto church in Detroit.

Joseph Black - May 21, 2020 at 11:08 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Tom V. Rudnik.



May 17, 2020 at 09:57 PM

RB

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Ron Babin - May 17, 2020 at 09:17 PM

FA

“ Tom was a quiet guy. Even more so these last few months. During one of his hospitalizations when he was unable to speak, a nurse asked me about Tom, what was he like. We could tell how he felt by the way he smiled. So let me share what Tom was like.

Tom could fix just about anything. Except the time he went with my husband, Walt, and I to Hawaii... we were totally enjoying ourselves when one of the guys decided to get a fresh coconut out of the tree. Tom found an old coconut laying on the beach and decided to throw it up and knock down the fresh coconut. Well, guess what? Both coconuts stayed right in that tree. He was very disappointed!

Tom was a fantastic carpenter, having built a beautiful bedroom set a few years ago. He was a pretty good cook too! I have his recipe for Pherffernouse! No one made them like Uncle Tom.

Tom's greatest passion was Assumption Grotto Church. He was a devoted member as well as involved in Legion of Mary. He did his best praying for the unborn outside abortion clinics. As mentioned by Donna he made a pilgrimage to Fatima as well as trips to Rome. He has some great pictures.

My best picture is from last summer. He enjoyed going to Metro Beach as well as I enjoyed getting away from Texas heat. Loved his Hawaiian shirts (think it reminded him of an enjoyable vacation!)



Fran Ahel - May 17, 2020 at 06:12 PM

JB

Thank for sharing a side of Tom's character I never knew.

A couple of years ago when I was down on my luck & in between jobs & had a old car that always seemed to need repaired. The brakes went out & Tom with his expertise and willingness to help me change those brakes.

About 10 years ago he and several friends from the Legion of Mary from Grotto helped my wife and I move into our current home. He was always there...he was always a good friend and will be greatly missed by all who had the pleasure to meet him.

Joseph Black - May 25, 2020 at 11:31 AM

DP

*I was his neighbor in Detroit for 7 years . He took care of his mom on hickory st. We would go hunting rabbits with his dog dusty. He would use his Dads browning 12 ga. Never said a word Just looked over at me and smile! I knew that made his day! Would go home have a beer and shoot pool in the basement. Table was huge ! He was a good friend!
R.I.P we will meet again! I'll rack !
David Ponder*

dDavid Ponder - March 01, 2024 at 08:32 AM

DC

*“ I met Tom during a pilgrimage to Fatima , we became friends
We had coffee with our friends after mass on most Sundays Tom and I went several times to Frankenmuth to enjoy our free July birthday dinners Tom was a devout Catholic gentleman
I will pray my Fatima prayers for Tom 🙏*



Donna Champagne - May 17, 2020 at 11:22 AM

FA

Thank you. Donna!

Fran Ahel - May 17, 2020 at 06:16 PM