



## Petre Jaikovski

July 1, 1934 - April 17, 2021

Beloved husband of Vesa for 62 years.

Loving father of Milka "Mimi" (the late Danail) Liptov, Lence "Helen" (Goce) Zarovski.

Cherished grandfather of Jessica Beeman, Gabriela (Chris) Velkovska, Marisa (Joe) Primavera, Andriana (Milan) Topolovic, Spiro Petre Zarovski, and Dylan Liptov.

Treasured great-grandfather Jack, Cruz, Michael, Chloe and Tessa.

Dearest brother of Vancho (Cveta) Jaikovski, Josif Jaikovski, Risto Jaikovski, and the late Nikolina Popovska.

Survived by many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Petre Jaikovski was born in the village of Brajcino, Prespa, Kingdom of Yugoslavia on July 1st, 1934. He was the second-born child to Boris and Cveta Jaikovski. Sharing a happy and carefree childhood with his siblings, sister Nikolina, brothers Josif, Vancho, and Risto, he was the jokester of the family.

In 1958, he married his childhood love Vesa Mackovska and started their married life in Titov Veles where they had their first daughter, Milka. In 1962, they built their first home in Bitola, where their second daughter Lence was born. In 1970, Petre grew restless and decided to make his way to Canada with his family. After a brief time in Toronto, his ambitious personality guided him to America. Petre and his family joined his brother Vancho in Chicago in the late 1970s. In 1977, they moved to Centerline, Michigan, looking to preserve their Macedonian culture and traditions with the large Macedonian community in the Metro Detroit area. Hard work, dedication, perseverance.....all while having a fun and enjoying life....are all attributes that Petre had in abundance.

His life was filled with personal blessing to professional accomplishments, always striving to do more for his family.

In his retirement years he spent his time enjoying his family, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was a master gardener, inventor and storyteller. He was part of the McDonalds retirement club and a savvy shopper at Meijer, Kroger and Vince and Joe's. He will be eternally missed by his wife, his daughters and his entire family! The void his passing left in our hearts can never be filled by anything but we are grateful to God for our precious memories.



# Cemetery

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## Van Hoosen Jones / Stoney Creek

570 E. Tienken Rd E. of  
Rochester Rd  
Rochester, MI, 48307

# Events

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**APR 20 Visitation** 04:00PM - 08:00PM

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Mandziuk and Son Funeral Directors, Inc. -  
Sterling Heights  
3801 18 Mile Rd, Sterling Heights, MI, US, 48314

**APR 20 Prayers** 07:00PM

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Mandziuk and Son Funeral Directors, Inc. -  
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**APR 21 Funeral Service** 10:00AM

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Nativity of the Virgin Mary Macedonian Orthodox  
Cathedral  
43123 Ryan Rd, Sterling Heights, MI, US, 48314

# Comments

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“ Peter Zarovski lit a candle in memory of Petre Jaikovski



Peter Zarovski - September 07 at 10:38 PM

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“ Happy Birthday Dedo!

Peter Zarovski - July 01 at 12:28 PM

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“ Peter lit a candle in memory of Petre Jaikovski



Peter - June 03 at 10:54 PM

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“ Zach Beeman lit a candle in memory of Petre Jaikovski



Zach Beeman - April 22 at 12:11 AM

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“ Jack and Cruz Love You



Zach Beeman - April 22 at 12:10 AM

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“ Peter Zarovski lit a candle in memory of Petre Jaikovski



Peter Zarovski - April 21 at 11:52 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Sharon Beeman - April 20 at 11:45 AM

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“ Best Dedo ever! 😭😭



Marisa - April 19 at 09:56 PM

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“ A loving great grandfather



Marisa - April 19 at 09:55 PM

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“ Lover of music!



Marisa - April 19 at 09:54 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Beliot na Dedo - April 19 at 09:50 PM

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“ Jovica, Kosara Nikolich with family purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Petre Jaikovski.



Jovica, Kosara Nikolich with family - April 19 at 09:41 PM

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“ Jessica B. purchased the Blessed Heart for the family of Petre Jaikovski.



Jessica B. - April 19 at 08:10 PM

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“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Petre Jaikovski.



April 19 at 08:04 PM

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“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Petre Jaikovski.



April 19 at 06:23 PM

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“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Petre Jaikovski.



April 19 at 05:21 PM

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“ Ron, Suzana, Mike and Angie purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Petre Jaikovski.



Ron, Suzana, Mike and Angie - April 19 at 03:50 PM

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“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Petre Jaikovski.



April 19 at 03:43 PM

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“ Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Petre Jaikovski.



April 19 at 03:33 PM

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“ Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Petre Jaikovski.



April 19 at 03:02 PM

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“ Todorka M. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Petre Jaikovski.



**Todorka M.** - April 19 at 01:13 PM

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“ This bond they'll have with no one else. We love you Dedo <3 Chloe and Tessa



**Marisa** - April 19 at 01:12 PM

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“ Marisa Primavera lit a candle in memory of Petre Jaikovski



**Marisa Primavera** - April 19 at 01:03 PM

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“ Oh Dedo...why did you have to leave us so soon. You were truly one of a kind. I don't even know what to say, I don't do well in these types of situations...I have so many thoughts running through my head, I feel this is all a dream! I am trying very hard to stay strong and to celebrate all the good you've brought into our lives. I know that is what you'd want. I know you looking down on all of us, very proud!

One of the things you've always was....always put family first. Family is the most important thing you'll ever have. You've always put us first and I'll forever be grateful.

You were such a kind, welcoming, hard working man. You had some of the best stories.

I loved coming over every weekend to see you sitting in your spot watching Macedonian News. I hated how loud the volume was but I didn't want to say anything because I knew you were happy. You were a man of few words, so when you spoke, everyone listened. You truly were the glue that kept our family together. You worked hard to provide for your family and did whatever you could for your grandchildren and great-grand children.

You welcomed us into your home with open arms. I am so grateful Chloe and Tessa were able to spend so much time with you. Chloe absolutely adored you. We pray for you every night. She wants you to feel better. She wants to give you medicine. She knows you are sleeping at the garden with the angels. She misses you so much.

We went over to your house the other day and she couldn't help but look for you. She looked all over the place. "Where is Dedo?" "He isn't sleeping in his room, mama?" I couldn't help but cry, knowing Chloe and Tessa will never see you again. But, I'm so happy they have nothing but good memories with you. You watched Chloe for hours outside playing with her water table, took her to the garden to show her all your vegetables. She wanted you to push her over and over again in her pink car. You never said no to neither of them. You always wanted them to be happy. They loved you so much Dedo. You were truly an incredible role model to them and all of us.

When we needed something, we could always count on you. Everything Chloe broke, only Dedo could fix... no one else! Your ideas on how to fix things was always hilarious. You did what you could and that's all that matters. Chloe has a few things for you to fix and won't let anyone touch them, but you.

Everyday you went to Kroger or Meijer to get Chloe grapes. <3 She always knew she could count on her Dedo. She will never forget you Dedo. You were her absolute favorite. She's starting school in September, did she tell you that? She said since you can't come with her, she wants a picture of you so she can put it in her backpack. Her knowing these things and wanting these things, makes my heart full. These are just many examples of how much love you've brought into her life.

You've brought love in all of our lives and you'll never be forgotten. We will continue to celebrate you and think of you. Mourning is one of the deepest expressions of pure love. We will forever mourn for you.

We love you so much Dedo...If tears could build a stairway and memories...I know we'd all walk right up to heaven to bring you home again

Rest In Peace Dedo <3

Love, Joe, Marisa, Chloe and Tessa

**Marisa Primavera** - April 19 at 01:02 PM

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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Petre Jaikovski.



April 19 at 12:54 PM

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“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Petre Jaikovski.



April 19 at 12:42 PM

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“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Petre Jaikovski.



April 19 at 10:12 AM

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“Dedo Petre was the sweetest and most humble person I ever met. He spread happiness and joy not only to his family, but to everyone in his presence. Dedo Petre knew I was not “officially” part of the family just yet but always made me feel as if I was one of his own granddaughters. He always started our weekly čaj hangouts by asking Peter and I “kako e robotava” and would somehow one way or another bring up the “tetovsko area” to make me laugh. Even if we had the worst day ever, seeing Dedo Petre peacefully asleep while watching Kanal 5 Vesti instantly made us smile.

Dedo Petre was a mastermind when it came to growing his garden. Last year Dedo took us on a stroll of his house garden on a nice summer day. He explained every single crop he grew to us by pointing at it with a homemade wooden stick. Dedo Petre was one of the few people I ever met that could “kalami” (specially combine) two types of fruit trees into one tree that grew two different fruits. This skill in itself showed Dedo Petre’s patient and unique character.

Dedo was never once unhappy, but always had a profound smile. Dedo enjoyed and lived a beautiful life. Rest in eternal peace Dedo we all love you!

Christina Atanasoska - April 19 at 09:44 AM

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“Dedo was everything to his grandkids, as we were everything to him. To see his face light up every single time he saw us, yelling "o na dedo tie!" was absolute magic. He was our teddy bear, always happy, never one to argue or bicker with anyone. Our patriarch, he brought his family to America in the 1970s. They struggled their way to success so that his grandkids never had a worry growing up. The love and happiness he exuded lives on in everyone he met. It will live on in our family for generations. Dedo lived his life exactly the way he wanted. Now, as his grandkids, we must continue to do what made him so happy - live our lives surrounded by loving family. We each carry an emptiness left by dedo's passing. This emptiness can only be forged by losing such an important person. May we find comfort in the fact that our pain is only so severe because dedo was so great to us. Te sakame zasekogas!

-konzulot tvoj, Pire

Peter Zarovski - April 18 at 11:31 PM

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“Dedo Petre was truly one of a kind. I am so blessed to have shared so many memories with him for such a large part of my life. He taught us to be consistent, he taught us to persevere, he taught us so much about life without saying a single word. I will forever miss seeing his face light up every time one of us kids walked into the room. Never once did I see him angry, never once did he ever speak unkindly of others, he made friends with everyone he met and brought joy into their lives.

Petre never put himself before others. He is one of the truest role models you could ever have. He treated his daughters and wife with the utmost respect and care. He was such a simple man, a man of virtue and strength. Without him, our family would not be what it is today.

Little did he know, his decades of hard work and struggles would give amazing lives to 6 grandchildren, and 5+ great-grandchildren. His life had so much purpose, so much meaning, and beauty. He made it to a new world, gave everyone in his life a new beginning, without ever forgetting where he came from. When I would go to Brajcino, and people would ask who my family was, all I had to say was "Jaikovski". With that name, people knew I came from a great family, and that I was raised right, all because of him. Everyone knew him, everyone loved him. When you brought him up, it would always sound like he was their best friend. He was everyone's best friend.

I am going to miss going over to his house, and seeing what his new contraptions were that he built. He constructed entire irrigation systems for his farms out of pure junk laying around. There was no machine he couldn't fix. If something broke, we brought it to Dedo. He and Baba Vesa grew enough vegetables to feed 10 families, all with their own bare hands. Dedo never took a day off, he never slacked around, even in his final weeks. He cut his own grass, cleaned his own snow, fixed his own cars and appliances. Never once did anything get in his way. He even knew how to combine fruit trees together, so that the next year one tree grew both fruits, the man was a literal genius with no education. Everything he knew, he knew from experience. Anytime he gave you advice, you knew he had been there and done that, with pride.

I will never forget waking up every morning as a child, and seeing him with a face as if I had just been born. Every single day, the same huge smile, never once was it any less. I remember I would sometimes pretend to still be sleeping to see if he'd make an effort to wake me. Never once. He would sit on my bean bag and just simply wait. At the time I never thought anything of it, but that alone just shows how considerate, patient, and loving he was.

Dedo made all of us kids so proud to be where we are from. We wouldn't want to have roots in any other place besides his small village in the mountains. He showed us the beauty of our culture, the values that come with being a Macedonian. Dedo showed us that absolutely anything is possible, to come from such a humble beginning, to creating beautiful lives full of opportunity for all of us. He never asked for anything in return, all he wanted was for us to be happy.

Dedo, I am sorry for not learning the accordion like you wanted me to. I am sorry for not watching more Macedonian news with you, but I will cherish every moment with you, every lesson you taught me, every time you'd climb your ladder to get me the best fruit from your trees. I hope God has an endless garden for you to take care of. I will make sure my children know all about you, and I aspire to be half the person you are someday. They don't make them like you anymore, Dedo.

Rest in eternal peace.

Dylan - April 18 at 11:25 PM

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“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Petre Jaikovski.



April 18 at 10:03 PM

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“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Petre Jaikovski.



April 18 at 05:15 PM