



## Robert James Swalya

August 27, 1965 - September 30, 2018

Robert Swalya, age 53 passed away September 30, 2018

Beloved son of the late Michael and the late Adelheid.

Loving brother Dale (Donna) and Lillian.

Cherished uncle of Danielle, Debra, and David.

Treasured Godson of Joseph Manerik.

A special thank you to Karin Kochanowski and Dr. Harold Sauer for their compassion and for dedicating their time to care for Rob.

Rob was the youngest of three children. He had some medical issues when he was a baby which resulted in him requiring special care. Rob was considered slow, but he was high functioning. Rob loved food, in fact his first word was "deeeeeee-licious". He loved to collect recipes and when he was younger he loved to help his mom out in the kitchen. He loved to eat at Polka, a newer Polish restaurant in the area. He enjoyed traveling.

Frankenmuth was a location he enjoyed visiting often.

Rob was incredibly social and loved to connect with people. He was always on the phone and loved to just have a conversation. He was very charismatic. Rob was very interested in other countries and cultures. His favorite subject was a social studies class that he took in high school. Rob was very talented in mathematics.

Rob had a huge heart and was always a kind man. He was protective of his family and friends. If he thought you slighted them, you would get a talking to. He enjoyed watching TV and he loved to follow celebrities and kept up with current events. He was very observant and had an amazing memory. He always remembered people birthdays and their phone numbers. Rob enjoyed playing Bingo, and he LOVED to win. He was proud of winning the prizes. He would always play with his lucky Bingo card. Family came first for Rob. He will be missed dearly by his family and friends.

# Cemetery

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**Roseland Park  
Cemetery**

Berkley, MI,

# Events

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**OCT 8 Visitation** 06:00PM - 08:00PM

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E. J. Mandziuk & Son Funeral Directors, Inc. - Sterling Heights

3801 18 Mile Road, Sterling Heights, MI, US, 48314

**OCT 9 Instate** 11:00AM

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SS. Cyril and Methodius Slovak Catholic Church

41233 Ryan Rd, Sterling Heights, MI, US

**OCT 9 Mass of the Christian Burial** 12:00PM

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