



## Sam A. Marino

February 15, 1927 - May 11, 2022

Sam Azzolina Marino was born on February 15, 1927 to John and Josephine (Azzolina) Marino in West Virginia. He was the eighth of nine children. Sam married Betty Lou (Fern) on April 1, 1950 and just celebrated 72 years of marriage. Family has always been important to them.

They have three children: Barry (Kathy) Marino, Rodney (Theresa) Marino, and Angela (Randy) Johnson; six grandchildren: Aubree Marino, Elizabeth Marino, Thomasina (Erik) Carlson, Barry (Lindsey) Marino, Clint (Danielle) Johnson, Stephanie (Nick) Capobianco; and eight great-grandchildren: Alyce Johnson, Aria Spencer-Nielson, Gage Carlson, Jaxon Carlson, Erika Carlson, Hannah Marino, Henry Marino, Remy Johnson. We would be remiss to not mention his sidekick JoJo (Maltipoo).

Sam was proud to serve as a Sergeant in the United States Army with Military Police (1600 Air Police Squadron, 1600 AB Group) during World War II.

Sam was a crane worker and assembly manager at several companies including Bendix, Michigan Special Machine, Cross, and Colonial Broach. He was a hard worker and even did siding on the "side."

Sam is probably better known as a farmer. Many families have benefitted from his extensive garden.

Sam was not a fan of water, but loved to ice fish. Some of his closest friends came through these adventures. He will be missed at the monthly fish fry.

Sam and Betty have attended the First Baptist Church of Hazel Park for over 60 years. For many of those years Sam was the Head Usher and greeted everyone at the door. Sam gave his life to the Lord as an adult and now is enjoying the presence of the Lord. In lieu of flowers please consider making a donation to First Baptist Church of Hazel Park in his honor.



# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 15. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Mandziuk and Son - Sterling Heights

3801 18 Mile Rd

Sterling Heights, MI 48314

# Tribute Wall

MY

“ *Sam was the BEST !!!!! He sure loved the Lord . We will miss him that for sure .  
God Bless to his family .*

mike yates - June 09 at 07:10 PM

BD

“ *This family was so sad to hear how Sam Marino left this world, but only to have a perfect, eternal home. He ALWAYS made our children happy with a stick of gum, a hug, a huge smile and they felt so welcomed t First Baptist Church of Hazel Park. His southern accent was iconic! May the family feel the comfort that only we as Christians can experience, a healing balm through the grief that will come for days and years down the road of loss. We all feel blessed to have known him, rest in peace, Mr. Marino, and bask in the glory of Heaven!*

Brenda Elizabeth Dangler - May 17 at 09:10 PM

JG

“ *Hello Merino family,*

*I'm so sad to hear that Sam died. May you all know and feel God's peace as you grieve your loss.*

*He was a special man. I loved his accent. He was always so very friendly!  
May God bless you as you celebrate his life.*

*Janice Crumley Gerber*

Janice Crumley Gerber - May 17 at 07:51 AM



“ *Peace Eternal Wreath was purchased for the family of Sam A. Marino.*



May 13 at 04:42 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sam A. Marino.*



May 13 at 10:02 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Sam A. Marino.*



May 13 at 05:47 AM

HE

“ *Mr. Marino was a gem! He gave the BEST hugs and always had a smile on his face and a kind or encouraging word on his lips. I just loved him and was so sad to hear of his passing. He seemed ageless and a part of me thought he'd always be at FBCHP dolling out bulletins, hugs & smiles! Mrs. Marino & his family will be in my prayers in the days, weeks & months ahead. So grateful we grieve with the hope of Heaven. Until we meet again! Much love, Heather (Chesnutt) Spratt*

Heather - May 12 at 08:28 PM

MB

“ *Love and prayers Betty, Angela, and Randy in your loss. What a great legacy Sam has given this world.*

Melody Benedict - May 12 at 08:52 AM

NS

“ *Sam you were truly Godly man, you will be missed. I loved you.*  
*Nancy Sheffield*

Nancy Sheffield - May 11 at 09:26 PM