



Albert "Al" Brani

April 27, 1934 - January 15, 2024

Albert (Al) Francis Brani, age 89, of Sterling Heights, passed away peacefully on January 15, 2024, surrounded by family. He was born to Albert and Elvera (Perotti) Brani on April 27, 1934. Al married Antoinette "Toni" Pintarich on September 6, 1952. They were married for 57 years, and together they raised six children. He loved spending time with his family and friends by playing baseball, racquetball, and hockey; gathering at the Italian Club; as well as golfing, camping and snowmobiling. Many family and friends also enjoyed his beautiful piano playing. An avid fan of the Detroit Red Wings, Al attended many games with Toni over the years. The two of them enjoyed traveling overseas and on many cruises as well. Before retiring and volunteering at Beaumont Hospital and as a Eucharistic minister at St Jane Frances De Chantal, Al worked as a die designer at General Motors for 34 years then at Craft Line Engineering for another 18 years.

Al is survived by his children Gene (Jill) Brani of Troy; Susan Trottier of Shelby Twp.; Ruth (John) Beier of Ray Twp.; Tony (Kim) Brani of West Olive; Mick (Maryann) Brani of Auburn Hills and Kristin (Kevin) Layman of Sterling Hgts.; 17 grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren (with another on the way), who lovingly referred to him as "Pup"; as well as his sister Louise D'Amato of Chesterfield and Tom (Elaine) Croskey of Grand Rapids . He was preceded in death by his wife Antoinette and his sister Norma Croskey.

Visitation will take place from 3:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Friday, January 19th at Mandziuk Funeral Home at 3801 18 Mile Road in Sterling Heights . Visitation will also be held on Saturday January 20th at the funeral home, starting at 10 a.m. with a funeral mass at 11:30 a.m. Donations can be made to the Parkinson Foundation in Albert's name.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 19. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Mandziuk & Son Funeral Directors, Inc. - Sterling Heights
3801 18 Mile Road
Sterling Heights, MI 48314
(586) 997-3838

Memory Sharing

JAN 19. 6:45 PM (ET)

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Instate

JAN 20. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

JAN 20. 11:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

AJ

“ I remember the that Al changed my name from Alan to Luke.

alan justice - January 23, 2024 at 02:10 PM

AJ

No one could have done that but Al

alan justice - January 23, 2024 at 02:11 PM

AJ

“ What a wonderful coworker and friend he will be missed.

alan justice - January 23, 2024 at 02:01 PM

KL

Thank you for your kind comments

Kristin Layman - January 24, 2024 at 11:41 AM

AK

“ My husband and I only had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Brani on a couple of occasions. We have been blessed with a special friendship with Tony and Kim. Knowing them tells us everything we need to know about this family. Generous, kind, thoughtful and loving. We wish every family member peace in their heart. Mr Brani is with his heavenly Father, that we all celebrate. Missing him where he has been for all of his life, with all of you, is the burden of the heart. God bless you all!
Love you Tony, Kim and family.
Richard and Amy Klein

Amy Klein - January 22, 2024 at 08:34 PM

WM

“ Al and I were very good friends for many years. We rode to work together and had several camping trips with family. Many great memories we will always have. He will be missed by many. Our condolence to his family.

William D & Judith A McGrath - January 20, 2024 at 10:39 AM

R.

Prayers, & Sympathies Extended to AL Brani's Family. Good man. Good Friend from the Fisher Body Days. Rest In Peace. R.M. "Rocko" Heath

R.M. "Rocko" Heath - January 20, 2024 at 01:46 PM

KL

Thank you Bill and Judy for your thoughts and prayers. Such wonderful memories with you and your family.

kristin layman - January 20, 2024 at 10:12 PM

KL

Thank You Rocko for your prayers

kristin layman - January 20, 2024 at 10:12 PM

HL

“ Thoughts and Prayers to the entire Brani family - Tony has been a friend for many years

herbert Langstaff - January 19, 2024 at 11:22 PM



“ I'll never forget the time Mr branny chase me and Dave hampel on snowmobiles out the Red run and he ripped my helmet off and he said if I know when it was you guys I wouldn't have chased you that was back in childhood memories

Daniel Gates - January 19, 2024 at 11:20 AM



Yep. I remember that 🙄

Mick Brani - January 19, 2024 at 08:56 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Albert "Al" Brani.



January 18, 2024 at 07:43 PM



“ Patricia A. purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Albert "Al" Brani.



Patricia A. - January 18, 2024 at 04:52 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Albert "Al" Brani.



January 18, 2024 at 04:27 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Albert "Al" Brani.*



January 18, 2024 at 10:53 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Albert "Al" Brani.*



January 17, 2024 at 09:14 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Albert "Al" Brani.*



January 17, 2024 at 07:19 PM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Albert "Al" Brani.*



January 17, 2024 at 01:38 PM

LP

“ Linda, Judy, Peggy and Angel Perotti planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Albert "Al" Brani.

Linda, Judy, Peggy and Angel Perotti - January 17, 2024 at 12:54 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Albert "Al" Brani.



January 17, 2024 at 12:54 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Albert "Al" Brani.



January 17, 2024 at 12:20 PM

LS

“ God bless all of you, May he rest in peace 🙏🙏🙏

Larry Pete Sr. - January 17, 2024 at 12:13 PM

KL

Thank you Larry

Kristin Layman - January 18, 2024 at 09:03 AM

WG

“ With Love, Nathan, Beth & the girls planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Albert "Al" Brani.

With Love, Nathan, Beth & the girls - January 17, 2024 at 11:19 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Albert "Al" Brani.



January 17, 2024 at 11:19 AM

DM

“ Dawn M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Albert "Al" Brani.

Dawn M. - January 17, 2024 at 10:52 AM