



## David Norman Magiera

November 16, 1957 - November 18, 2018

David Norman Magiera, age 61, passed away peacefully at home, surrounded by family, on Sunday November 18, 2018, after battling cancer for over 20 years. He was born on November 16, 1957 to John and Norma (Reed) Magiera. He is survived by his four children David (Lindsay), Eric (Sarah), Heather D'Angelo (Chris) and Nicole Narkus (Dave); his two granddaughters Lillian and Nora; his ex-wife and close friend Donna Zelecki; and brother John "Jack" Magiera, and sister Rebecca Magiera. David was preceded in death by his parents and sister Mary Kay.

David was born in Dundee, MI, but was a resident of Warren, MI for the majority of his life. He graduated from Centerline High School, where he ran cross-country and played basketball. He was a captain of the basketball team as a senior. David later earned a degree from Baker College.

David married Donna Zelecki on November 20, 1978, and they had four children: David, Eric, Heather and Nicole. Although they would later divorce, the two remained very close friends, and Donna helped with care over the last few months. He was incredibly happy to see all four of his children grow up and get married. He also loved developing a bond with his first granddaughter Lillian and was ecstatic to meet his second granddaughter Nora two days before he passed. He was also excited to learn that he had another granddaughter on the way at Nicole's gender reveal a few weeks ago. David

also loved music and played guitar all the way up to the end.

David was an employee of Greenfield Health within Henry Ford Health System since 2002. He also created two videography companies, Curtain Call Video and Magiera MultiMedia. Through these, he filmed high school sports for over 30 years, specializing in high school football. He filmed for Brother Rice High School, Country Day High School and Chippewa Valley High School. His passion for sports was always on display, and he always noted that the bonds he created with the schools, coaches, players and families were a point of pride in his life.

David was a very loving and generous person, and always wanted to help those in need. He was extremely helpful in caring for both parents as they had prolonged illnesses. Whenever he saw someone in need, especially one of his children's friends, he offered them a place to stay or financial assistance to help them through a rough time.

David was first diagnosed with cancer in 1998, and he fought courageously to beat it three times. He was proud to have witnessed the growth of his family through marriage and grandchildren. As battling cancer became tougher in the last few months, he moved in with Heather and Donna. He noted how happy and lucky he felt to be able to be around family so much, and was grateful for all of his family and friends. He is greatly loved and will be missed.

# Cemetery Details

## Resurrection Cemetery

18201 Clinton River Rd  
Clinton Township, MI

# Previous Events

## Instate

NOV 26. 10:00 AM (ET)

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

## Funeral Service

NOV 26. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *David Norman Magiera*

October 23, 2023 at 04:00 AM



“ *David Norman Magiera*

January 06, 2023 at 05:24 AM



“ *I would like to give my Condolences to Heather and her entire family I did not know Mr. Magiera personal but I share memories with heather that she shared about her loving father when she was growing up and the love she had for him.*

*Denise*

**denise** - November 26, 2018 at 09:54 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David Norman Magiera.*



November 25, 2018 at 07:55 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of David Norman Magiera.*



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November 24, 2018 at 05:00 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of David Norman Magiera.*



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November 23, 2018 at 12:29 PM



“ *Dave was my very first love. I have way too many memories of our marriage, having each of our babies and watching him lovingly care for them and sing them to sleep, our love of going to concerts- especially Todd Rundgren. Todd was the first concert we saw together and also the last concert we saw together. When the kids were little we used to play baseball together on the front lawn regularly all summer. I loved watching him play his guitar. I loved taking the kids to the cottage and I know how much he loved going there. I have loved him, do love him, and will always love him and carry so many memories of him for the rest of my life.*

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**donna Zelecki-Smith** - November 21, 2018 at 07:46 AM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of David Norman Magiera.*



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November 20, 2018 at 07:49 PM



“ *Linda Badger purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of David Norman Magiera.*



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**Linda Badger** - November 20, 2018 at 03:24 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of David Norman Magiera.*



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November 20, 2018 at 01:51 PM



“ *Having known Dave for most of my life, the fond memories i have are too numerous to count. From my first concert in 1974, to being his gopher for the video biz, even when he videotaped my wedding 30 yrs. ago and seeing him on my 55th birthday at the Shantie in Warren. I miss you already bro and you will be fondly in my heart for the rest of my life.... Jeff crumley*

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**jeff crumley** - November 20, 2018 at 01:00 PM