



Joanne C. Kowalczyk

October 7, 1940 - June 1, 2021

It is with heavy hearts that we share the news of the passing of Joanne C. Kowalczyk on Tuesday, June 1st.

Joanne is survived by her loving husband of almost 60 years, Frank, grateful daughters/sons-in-law Carole Kowalczyk and John Knapp and Kathye and William Osip. She is also survived by her eight loving grandchildren Erica, Kristen, John, Morgan, Elysse, Billy, Jacqueline and Michael who adored her and whom she also greatly adored.

Joanne was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Anne Olszowka and beloved sister Janice (Olszowka) Snider.

If you would like to join us in celebrating Joanne Kowalczyk's life, visitation will be held on Friday, June 11th from 3-8 p.m. at the Mandziuk & Son Funeral Home, 3801 18 Mile Rd in

Sterling Heights, MI with a Rosary service at 7 p.m. Joanne will lie in state on Saturday, June 12th at 10:30 a.m. at St. Malachy Catholic Church, 14115 E 14 Mile Rd in Sterling Heights, MI followed by an 11:00 a.m. funeral Mass.

We will always remember her kindness, sweet smile, generous heart, everlasting energy and her amazing gołąbki and chruściki.

Previous Events

Instate

JUN 12. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Malachy Catholic Church
14115 Fourteen Mile Road
Sterling Heights, MI

Mass of the Christian Burial

JUN 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Malachy Catholic Church
14115 Fourteen Mile Road
Sterling Heights, MI

Entombment

JUN 12. 1:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Olivet Cemetery
17100 Van Dyke (at 6 Mile Road)
Detroit, MI 48234

Tribute Wall



“ *Joanne C. Kowalczyk*

October 23, 2023 at 04:00 AM



“ *Joanne C. Kowalczyk*

January 06, 2023 at 05:24 AM



“ *I'am blessed to have worked with JoAnne for nearly 15 years. She was the most gentle "bad girl" work Mom ever. We were never surprised by what she said it how she acted. (Well, maybe once?!) 😭 She gave off an aura of peacefulness and although her passing was unexpected, I'm thankful that she didn't suffer. Love and prayers for all of you, especially Frank. 🙏✝️*



Dawn Kennedy - June 10, 2021 at 07:04 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joanne C. Kowalczyk.*



June 10, 2021 at 02:14 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joanne C. Kowalczyk.*



June 10, 2021 at 01:08 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joanne C. Kowalczyk.*



June 10, 2021 at 09:08 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Joanne C. Kowalczyk.*



June 09, 2021 at 03:50 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Joanne C. Kowalczyk.*



June 09, 2021 at 02:52 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Joanne C. Kowalczyk.*



June 08, 2021 at 05:51 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Joanne C. Kowalczyk.*



June 08, 2021 at 05:08 PM



“ *Diane Pawlowski purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Joanne C. Kowalczyk.*



Diane Pawlowski - June 08, 2021 at 07:46 AM



“ *Karen & Jim Bryant purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Joanne C. Kowalczyk.*



Karen & Jim Bryant - June 08, 2021 at 06:57 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joanne C. Kowalczyk.



June 08, 2021 at 05:13 AM



“ Our heart is heavy at the passing of Aunt Joann. I am so sad for your loss Uncle Frank, Carole and Katheye and families. I will always fondly remember going to her house as a young girl and getting to eat all of her amazing baked goods. She always came to us with a smile on her face. She just seemed like she was enjoying life all of the time. I know she will be sorely missed in the Kowalczyk, Denek and Dreger families. May God richly bless all of you with His comfort during this hard time of loss. Our prayers will be with you all. Wish we could have come but work restraints made it impossible. SO SORRY. OUR love is there with you all! Love, Greg and Laura Grose

Laura Grose - June 07, 2021 at 11:51 AM



“ Love, The Grose Family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Joanne C. Kowalczyk.



Love, The Grose Family - June 07, 2021 at 11:47 AM



“ *Lavender Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joanne C. Kowalczyk.*



June 07, 2021 at 10:51 AM



“ *The Burgetts, Fishers, and Herricks purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Joanne C. Kowalczyk.*



The Burgetts, Fishers, and Herricks - June 07, 2021 at 07:29 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joanne C. Kowalczyk.*



June 06, 2021 at 09:37 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Joanne C. Kowalczyk.*



June 06, 2021 at 03:24 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joanne C. Kowalczyk.*



June 06, 2021 at 02:45 PM



“ *Aunt Joanne was a very loving and caring person. She helped out many people and helped out with different things. My sisters and I called her Aunt since we were little. She was my father's cousin. She will be missed very much.*

Tony Olszowka

Fred - June 05, 2021 at 04:52 PM



“ *Dear Mr. Kowalczyk, Carole, Kathye, and your beautiful families, We were so sad to hear of your loss. Your wife/mom was a dear lady who really loved her family and cared so much about everyone. She always took time to ask how we were all doing and what was new in our lives. She had a ready smile and such a warm disposition. We will truly miss her! May your wonderful memories, especially from the most recent family weekend when you were all together, comfort you in your time of grief. May she rest in peace in God's loving embrace.*

*With our deepest sympathy,
Rudy, Nancy, Alex and Lauren Valentini*

Nancy Valentini - June 05, 2021 at 04:29 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Joanne C. Kowalczyk.*



June 05, 2021 at 04:21 PM



“ *Dearest Carole I am sorry for the loss of your mom. She was a wonderful wife, mother, and grandmother and a dearest friend. She will be missed. Blessings to you and loved ones. Love and prayers to Frank. Dee*

Dee Landmesser - June 05, 2021 at 02:50 PM



“ *A beautiful person who shared her love and kindness to all, she will be missed by everyone she touched. Joanne loved her family and friends with all her heart and they loved her back. She will be missed by all. I was very lucky to know her and her sweet nature she took care of her family and anyone that needed her help. My prayers go out to the family Frank Carole and Kathy and their families .*

Rose Pencak - June 04, 2021 at 08:59 PM

JD

“ I am so very grateful that she came to my husband's funeral in Connecticut last August. We had a lovely visit in spite of the sad circumstances. I am also grateful that I and many of my immediate family will be able to attend her services to pay tribute to her and her wonderful family. She will be missed by us all. I will especially miss her unique ability to stay in touch with extended family. I could always count on her to know what was happening to everyone. She had many other gifts that will be missed as well. My prayers are for the repose of her soul and for healing and peace for my brother Frank. Also, for the rest of her family. Love the photo you chose. Love and God's peace. Joan Dreger

Joan Dreger - June 04, 2021 at 05:01 PM



“ My condolences to Mr Kowalczyk, Carole, Kathye and their families. What a sweet woman Mrs Kowalczyk was. May the angels welcome her to paradise.

Mary Lou (Niedbala) Noble

Mary Noble - June 04, 2021 at 02:40 PM

GR

“ I remember Mrs. Kowalczyk as a dear member of St Bartholomew Church. Prayers for Comfort for the family. May she rest in Peace. Grace (Niedbala) McKeel

Grace - June 04, 2021 at 02:04 PM

KD

“ Dearest Auntie,

I have so many great memories with you. Christmas, Easter, Birthdays and family parties. You always gave great hugs and kisses. You never failed to tell me how much you loved me. I am really going to miss you. Now you are at peace and flying with God and the angels. I will always remember you.

Prayers, hugs and forever Love,

Kimmie

xoxo

Kimberly Denek - June 04, 2021 at 10:03 AM

SD

“ Aunt Joanne was our second Mom growing up. Spending time with our second family gave us a home feeling and is part of the best of our childhood memories. Her warm heart and constant nurturing help shape our souls. I still think of her parties with fried chicken in the basement on Revere in Detroit. I remember the first time I tried peanut butter cookies with the chocolate kiss on top in her kitchen 40 some years ago, I make these every year and think of her during the Christmas holiday. If I could be at least half the amazing woman she was I would be grateful. She lived a beautiful life and will have a beautiful afterlife with Jesus.

Sheryl Durecki - June 04, 2021 at 10:02 AM