



## Jose Sebastian Ventura Jr

May 9, 1944 - January 13, 2017

Jose Sebastian Ventura Jr. was born on May 9, 1944.

At the age of 23, he immigrated from San Miguel, Bulacan Philippines. He left to pursue a better life and ultimately to follow his college sweetheart and life long love of over 49 years. On April 28, 1967 he married Cristina Santos. Detroit, Michigan is where they started to live out a life that focused on family. On July 24, 1980 Joe and Cristina excitedly purchased their lifelong home in Sterling Heights, Michigan. An unexpected hospitalization started on December 7, 2016. With family at his hospital bedside, he quietly entered heavens gates on January 13, 2017. His mind remained "sharp as a tack" until his last breath. Jose is survived by his wife, Cristina; his children, Elaine and Michael; his granddaughter Melina; his grandson Michael his sister Mariquita; and numerous nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by his mother Virginia Sebastian; his father, Jose Ventura Sr.; his brother Romeo Ventura; his sister Miguela Tecson, his sister Aurora Luna; and his sister Gloria Lachica.

Jose was referred to as "Boy or Bo" by his closest Filipino friends, while others easily found a friend in "Joe." His silly sense of humor and "Have a Coke with a smile" attitude easily drew family and friends to him. He spent many of his early years employed by the Chrysler Corporation and enjoyed retiring at an early age. Jose was a devoted husband, father and grandfather.

He stressed the importance of bettering oneself and keeping the Catholic faith prominent. He was very proud of never missing his weekly mass services and always instilled faith in our lives.

Jose's deepest pride and joy were his most beloved grandchildren Melina and Michael. They were ultimately the center of his life as he played an important role in helping to raise each one respectively. Melina and Michael affectionately referred to him as, "Tatang" as they relied on him from birth. He will be deeply missed by his friends, family and all who knew him.

# Previous Events

## Instate

JAN 17. 9:00 AM (ET)

St. Rene Goupil Catholic Church  
35955 Ryan Road  
Sterling Heights, MI 48310

## Mass of the Resurrection

JAN 17. 9:30 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Jose Sebastian Ventura Jr

October 23, 2023 at 04:00 AM



“ Jose Sebastian Ventura Jr

January 06, 2023 at 05:24 AM



“ I vividly remember the beautiful smile of Tito Junior the first time he picked me up at the Detroit airport. I can feel his excitement and pride. Excited to see me and proud like a father that I was able to travel. I was equally excited to see him for the first time at his US home to visit finally seeing first hand all his stories about Sterling Heights, his life and family. He generously shared his time with me during my visit driving ng me to shopping places and treating me to his fave Chinese restaurant after mass and trying out Fudruckers (my dad's fave). Over the next several years, I continued to visit and in those visits Tito Junior shared to me his memories of my dad, his brother Romeo. Tito Junior kept my dad's memory to me through all these years! For that and the many many times he picked me up at the airport, drove me around and all his pasalubongs since I was a child will forever remain in my heart as our loving Tito Junior! We love you and we will miss you! Love, Marixie Ventura

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“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jose Sebastian Ventura Jr.*



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January 16, 2017 at 02:29 PM



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January 16, 2017 at 11:43 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Jose Sebastian Ventura Jr.*



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January 16, 2017 at 08:36 AM



“ *JV and Mary Day Botor purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jose Sebastian Ventura Jr.*



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**JV and Mary Day Botor** - January 15, 2017 at 07:32 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Jose Sebastian Ventura Jr.*



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January 15, 2017 at 12:23 PM



“ *It is difficult to mention any one memory especially with much of them from as far back during my childhood at the Pasadena Apartments in Detroit... I will always remember you as my "Parring Boy" and more importantly my Ninong & God Father I love and miss.*

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**Ryan "Boy" Perez** - January 15, 2017 at 10:42 AM