



## Lillian T. Barno

July 5, 1924 - December 4, 2025

As a young boy I remember Aunt Lil as always being so polite and nice to everyone. She was always so proper and courteous . But, at the same time, she never judged anyone. Aunt Lil never forget her humble upbringing. She would always tell me stories of plans that her and my Dad (Unlce Milan) had to move to Alaska. My Dad would be a Trapper, and Aunt Lil could work in a small town. Exchanging Christmas cards each year was a high point for me. She had exquisite hand writing even well into her nineties.

She would ask for pictures of my family from time to time. I dont know who enjoyed the pics more, Aunt Lil looking at them. Or me taking the pics, getting them printed and putting notes on the back of each one.

Aunt Lil and my Dad were always very close. I believe it was because they were the first two born and close in age. I really enjoyed listening to the stories of their childhood days. They may have not had a lot of money, but they were a very rich family. Rich with family values.

While Aunt Lil and Uncle John would be up north to visit us, I remember how both of them were always so positive and upbeat. Hearing uncle John laugh with a big old grin. They made a wonderful couple. After uncle John passed, Aunt Lil gave me a box of sweaters that were uncle John's. I dont believe I ever had so many meaningful pieces of clothing. Everything I wore one, I thought of Uncle John. Now that I'm old and fat, I only have one sweater left. It

is one my entire family refers to as "The ugly lucky sweater". It is a light brown and dark brown checkered pattern. I wore it every time I would go deer hunting. And from time to time I would be successful. I gave credit to the "ugly lucky sweater". Now my grown kids have worn it while deer hunting. A true family heirloom.

I bet Uncle John gives a wide smile everytime one of us put that sweater on. Even as Aunt Lil was older, she was always sharp a tack. Her memory was remarkable. It was a delight to spend hours listening to her talk. It could be about anything. I just enjoyed her stories and how she told them.

At 101 years old, she still had a very active mind.

I have been blessed to have so many loving and caring people in my life. All my Aunts and Uncles helped me understand where my family came from, but Aunt Lil also seen where your future would lead you. Aunt Lil was one from "The great generation" .

They sure dont make them like her anymore

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 11. 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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

## Funeral Service

DEC 11. 11:30 AM (ET)

Mandziuk & Son Funeral Directors, Inc. - Sterling Heights  
3801 18 Mile Road  
Sterling Heights, MI 48314  
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## Interment

DEC 11. 12:30 PM (ET)

White Chapel Memorial Park Cemetery  
621 W Long Lake Rd  
Troy, MI 48098  
(248) 362-7670

# Tribute Wall

JF

“ We will always remember Aunt Lil as a Loving & Kind Hearted person and her & Uncle John seemed like they were always a match made in Heaven and now they will be united once again.



Jeffrey & Cathy Michaels and Family - December 10, 2025 at 06:05 PM

CM

“ Catherine M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lillian T. Barno.

Catherine M. - December 10, 2025 at 05:59 PM

GH

“ Greta Hurley lit a candle in memory of Lillian T. Barno



Greta Hurley - December 10, 2025 at 04:47 PM

GM

“ Greta M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lillian T. Barno.

Greta M. - December 10, 2025 at 04:46 PM

SB

“ Scott and Pam Bebout purchased the Heavenly Light for the family of Lillian T. Barno.



Scott and Pam Bebout - December 10, 2025 at 12:57 PM

LM

“ Love, Rich Sr, Glenn, Cindy, Melinda planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lillian T. Barno.

Love, Rich Sr, Glenn, Cindy, Melinda - December 10, 2025 at 11:34 AM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lillian T. Barno.



December 10, 2025 at 11:34 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lillian T. Barno.



December 10, 2025 at 10:12 AM