



## Lillian Welk

December 8, 1928 - September 12, 2025

Lillian Welk was born in Hamtramck, Michigan, to her loving parents, Anthony and Katherine Pinuta. She lived a cherished life as a devoted homemaker and mother, and was married to the love of her life, the late Leonard H. Welk, for 70 wonderful years.

Lillian was fortunate to share her long life with her best friend and sister, Jean Gizinski, and filled her days with joy and activity well into her later years. She loved shopping at “Hudson’s”, golfing, bowling, reading, and playing cards with her dear friends. Yet, nothing brought her more happiness and pride than her family.

She was a devoted mother, mother-in-law, grandmother, Babcia, sister, and aunt. Lillian rarely missed an event for her children, grandchildren, and even great-grandchildren, proudly cheering them on throughout their lives. Her greatest achievement was building a close-knit, loving family—a legacy they will carry forward in her honor.

Lillian was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Leonard, and is survived by her adored children Sandra (Tim) Connor, Kevin (Mary) Welk, and Nancy (Kenyon) Spaeth; her cherished grandchildren Michelle (Eric) Earle, Matthew (Toni) Connor, Nicholas (Danielle) Welk, Allison (Michael) Kruse, Katie (Chanell) Welk, and Rebecca (Jacob) Pifer; and her precious great-

grandchildren Caden, Addison, Declan, Nathan, Collins, Tenley, Callan, and Kennedy. She is also survived by her much-loved sister Jean (the late Casimir) Gizinski, along with many dear nieces, nephews, and friends

A memorial gathering will take place on Friday, October 3, at St. Jane Frances de Chantal Catholic Church in Sterling Heights, beginning at 9:30 a.m., followed by Mass at 10:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Residential Hospice at [residentialhospicefoundation.org](http://residentialhospicefoundation.org) or mailed to Residential Hospice Foundation, 5440 Corporate Drive, Suite 300, Troy, MI 48098.

# Previous Events

## Instate

OCT 3. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St Jane Frances De Chantal  
38750 Ryan Rd  
Sterling Heights, MI 48310-2985  
(586) 977-8080

## Mass of the Resurrection

OCT 3. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Jane Frances deChantal Catholic Church  
38750 Ryan Rd  
Sterling Heights, MI

# Tribute Wall

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“*Jeremy, Katie, Sean, Dave & Kathy purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Lillian Welk.*”



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**Jeremy, Katie, Sean, Dave & Kathy** - October 01, 2025 at 08:20 PM

PK

“*Elsie and her daughter Pat from Ambrosia house send condolences to Lillian’s family. All though we didn’t know Llian for a long time we enjoyed her company at the hour*”

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**pat karadinski** - September 30, 2025 at 07:31 PM

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“*With sincere condolences, David and Jan purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Lillian Welk.*”



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**With sincere condolences, David and Jan** - September 21, 2025 at 09:16 AM



“*Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lillian Welk.*”



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September 19, 2025 at 04:33 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lillian Welk.

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September 19, 2025 at 04:33 PM



“ My God Parents, Uncle Leonard and Aunt Lillian. They were truly loving as ever. I am blessed for what they both brought to my life.  
Billy

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**Bill Livesay** - September 17, 2025 at 02:34 PM