



Ratko Kalmeta

November 8, 1944 - January 24, 2023

Beloved husband of Mirela

Loving father of Tomislav (Juliet), Ana (Vladimir) and Linda

Loving Grandfather of Mateus, Marcus, Miro, & Mila.

Ratko was a loving family man, always encouraging, teaching and playing with his kids. He was a loyal and trusted dear friend to many, always ready to lend a hand and help others in need. He was intelligent and skillful at everything he did, truly a master of many trades. Good-natured, energetic, wise and hardworking, Ratko always had a smile on his face and the willingness to help a friend. He loved his homeland of Croatia, especially his birth town Zadar, and always promoted his Croatian heritage.

He was a pillar of strength and positivity both within his family and in his community and he will be missed by family and friends both in the Detroit area and in Croatia. His memory will always live on in us, in the lessons he taught us of what it means to live a happy life based on good values, discipline, kindness, resilience and love. He will always be in our thoughts and prayers and the gifts he gave us will live on in our hearts.

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

18201 Clinton River Rd
Clinton Township, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 27. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Scripture Service

JAN 27. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Instate

JAN 28. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Lucy Croation Catholic Church
200 East Wattles
Troy, MI 48085

Mass of the Christian Burial

JAN **28**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ratko Kalmeta*

October 23, 2023 at 04:00 AM



“ *May Ratko forever bask in the glory of God's light, peace and wonder. A gentleman in many ways; kind-hearted and true to his word. You are missed.... Peace dear friend*



Carolina Andrakovich - January 28, 2023 at 09:30 AM



“ *Our deepest condolences to the entire family. I will never forget how kind Ratko was when we moved to the Detroit area by offering to help us in any way that he can. May he rest in peace and may your memories get you through this difficult time. Kovacevic-Lin family holds you in our thoughts.*

Ana Kovacevic-Lin - January 28, 2023 at 08:01 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.*



January 27, 2023 at 10:41 AM

FT

“ Fred, Irene & Family Talan purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.



Fred, Irene & Family Talan - January 27, 2023 at 09:31 AM

WF

“ Whole Pendelj Family purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.



Whole Pendelj Family - January 27, 2023 at 09:29 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.



January 27, 2023 at 09:00 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.



January 26, 2023 at 09:40 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.*



January 26, 2023 at 09:08 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.*



January 26, 2023 at 01:16 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.*



January 26, 2023 at 12:28 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.*



January 26, 2023 at 12:23 PM

JF

“ *Jagoda Kovacevic and Family purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.*



Jagoda Kovacevic and Family - January 26, 2023 at 11:52 AM

LJ

“ *Love, Maria Ron Jackie Justin & Jessica purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.*



Love, Maria Ron Jackie Justin & Jessica - January 26, 2023 at 11:25 AM



“ *2 files added to the album Ratko Kalmeta - @ Karma*



Charlie Stone - January 26, 2023 at 01:55 AM



“ *Sincere condolences to the family from Ratko's friends and acquaintances from Karma Promenade, Arbanasi, Zadar, Croatia. RIP.*



Charlie Stone - January 26, 2023 at 01:48 AM

MJ

“ Dear Mirela,

My sincere condolences to you and your family on the loss of Ratko. I will never forget his kindness to my dear husband Vlado and myself. He used to visit us at our business but more than that he often invited us to your home for lunch. I can still see his friendly smile. After church he always came to say hello and those are the memories that won't be forgotten. I hope that your fond memories will give you peace during the difficult days ahead.

Mira Jerant

Mira Jerany - January 25, 2023 at 10:17 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.*



January 25, 2023 at 09:08 PM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.*



January 25, 2023 at 07:16 PM

NH

“ Dear Mirela and family,
Our deepest condolences to all of you. We are so sorry that our dear friend Ratko left us so suddenly. We will forever miss his warm smile and his friendship!
Sending you all our prayers and love,
Nada, Davor and family Hrovat

Nada and Davor Hrovat - January 25, 2023 at 06:47 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.



January 25, 2023 at 05:49 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.



January 25, 2023 at 03:53 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.



January 25, 2023 at 01:44 PM

MR

“ Dear Ana and family - your father will be deeply missed by so many!! We will never forget him at all our soccer games cheering us on & watching with pride as you played!! Ratko was one of a kind and my heart is heavy hearing the news of his passing!! Sending prayers and love to you and all your family Ana!! Love, Michelle, Rob, & Alec Rinaldi

Michelle Rinaldi - January 25, 2023 at 01:38 PM

FT

“ Family Tuskan purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.



Family Tuskan - January 25, 2023 at 01:29 PM

DR

“ Kum Ratko wi be missed. Our sincere condolences to you all. With love, Daniella & Ladi Trcak and Family Rundek

Daniella Rundek - January 25, 2023 at 01:22 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.



January 25, 2023 at 01:22 PM



“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.



January 25, 2023 at 01:11 PM



“ Joe, Teresa, and Jon Robert Novosel purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.



Joe, Teresa, and Jon Robert Novosel - January 25, 2023 at 01:07 PM



“ Lily Brajak purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.



Lily Brajak - January 25, 2023 at 12:10 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.



January 25, 2023 at 11:41 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.*



January 25, 2023 at 11:31 AM



“ *Kata Beslic & Family purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.*



Kata Beslic & Family - January 25, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Ratko Kalmeta.*



January 24, 2023 at 04:48 PM