



## V. Jim Bongiorno

May 21, 1928 - September 1, 2024

V. Jim “Pop’s” Bongiorno

Called to Heaven – September 1, 2024

96 Years old

“Pop’s” was born on May 21, 1928 to Italian Immigrant parents Vincenzo and Mary Bongiorno. He was the beloved husband of Joanne. Loving father of Jim (Cheryl), Terese (Tony), Chuck (Judy).

Loving grandfather to Anthony (Natalie), Jenny (Adam), Chris (Megan), Anna (Mac), Michael., Sandy (Greg), Steve (Sarah), Dave (Laura).

Loving great-grandfather to Lucas, Jacob, Audriana, Jesse, Anthony Nathaniel, Nathan, Simon, Giovanni, Finley, Emmy, Leo, Lucy, Matteo, Jesse, Luca.

He was the 6th of 7 children. Preceded in death by Benedict, Grace, Anthony, Charles, Mary Francis and Felix.

Pop’s was the epitome of devotion. His commitment to his family was the cornerstone of his life. From the time he became a husband and then father, grandfather and great-grandfather, he cherished the moments together. In addition to his family, Pop’s was a pillar of support to his friends. He was

always willing to get involved and lend a helping hand. Pop's genuine concern for others created a network of strength and support for many. He served in the army during the Korean War. Pop's worked as a supervisor of the tool and die room at the GM Fisher Body Fleetwood plant for almost 40 years. There he met the love of his life, Joanne, and they married on June 27, 1953. Pop's could do a little bit of everything. He was gifted with his hands. He could design, construct, and do repairs. His famous quote: "You can do anything and the impossible takes a little longer". He loved to serve at his church. He volunteered for various positions, which included ushering, serving communion, designing the baptistry, and assisting the building supervisor. Together with his wife Joanne, they led the Seniors' group called the "Golden Heirs". He loved to read, travel, golf, bowl, play cards and work puzzles, and was an avid fan of the Detroit Tigers. Pop's lived a long life and left a beautiful legacy of faith, loyalty and perseverance to his family and friends.

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith" 2 Timothy 4:7

The family will greet friends at Mandziuk & Son Funeral Directors of Sterling Heights on Thursday, September 5th from 3:00 until 8:00 pm. A Memorial service will be held on Friday September 6th at 11:00 a.m. at Community Christian Church in Sterling Heights. (An hour of visitation will precede the memorial service).

Fond memories and online condolences may be offered to the family at [www.MandziukFuneralHome.com](http://www.MandziukFuneralHome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Christian Memorial Gardens West

521 East Hamlin Road  
Rochester Hills, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 5. 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

## Instate

SEP 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Community Christian Church  
42400 Ryan Road  
Sterling Heights, MI

## Funeral Service

SEP 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

Community Christian Church  
42400 Ryan Road  
Sterling Heights, MI



# Tribute Wall

JB

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Joe Banish - September 06, 2024 at 05:01 PM

KL

“ Our thoughts, love and prayers are with you at this most difficult time. Our deepest sympathies, Dave and Kathy Lauinger  
PS The tree that was planted under Dave L was from us. May “ Pops” legacy live on.

Kathy and Dave Lauinger - September 05, 2024 at 04:35 PM

DL

“ Dave L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of V. Jim Bongiorno.

Dave L. - September 05, 2024 at 04:30 PM

LJ

“ Love Seth, Jen, Natalie, Jerry&Candice purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of V. Jim Bongiorno.



Love Seth, Jen, Natalie, Jerry&Candice - September 05, 2024 at 03:43 PM

DR

“ Thoughts and prayers for the entire Bongiorno family at this difficult time. 🙏 *Dino and Fran Rea*

**Dino and Fran Rea** - September 05, 2024 at 02:59 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of V. Jim Bongiorno.*



September 05, 2024 at 12:06 PM

WF

“ *With Love, The Oakwood Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of V. Jim Bongiorno.*

**With Love, The Oakwood Family** - September 05, 2024 at 12:06 PM

CV

“ *Carolyn V. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of V. Jim Bongiorno.*

**Carolyn V.** - September 05, 2024 at 11:15 AM

MJ

“ *Mike, Carol and Bob John purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of V. Jim Bongiorno.*



**Mike, Carol and Bob John** - September 04, 2024 at 06:21 PM

MJ

“ Mike, Carol and Bob John planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of V. Jim Bongiorno.

Mike, Carol and Bob John - September 04, 2024 at 06:21 PM

MW

“ Mary W. purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of V. Jim Bongiorno.



Mary W. - September 04, 2024 at 02:26 PM

AM

“ Angelo & Michael purchased the Celestial Love for the family of V. Jim Bongiorno.



Angelo & Michael - September 04, 2024 at 09:45 AM

AM

“ Angelo & Michael planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of V. Jim Bongiorno.

Angelo & Michael - September 04, 2024 at 09:45 AM

DR

“ Donna Randell purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of V. Jim Bongiorno.



Donna Randell - September 04, 2024 at 04:24 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of V. Jim Bongiorno.*



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September 03, 2024 at 09:06 PM



“ *Brett and Carol Ray purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of V. Jim Bongiorno.*



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**Brett and Carol Ray** - September 03, 2024 at 08:01 PM