



# Ralph C. Merkel

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## **Ralph C. Merkel**

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**R**alph C. Merkel, age 90 of Madison Heights, Michigan passed away March 29, 2018 at Beaumont Royal Oak. He was born on February 7, 1928 to Egid and Gertrude Merkel in Highland Park, Michigan.

Beloved Husband of Mary Louise. Dear Father of Martha (Don) Hammer, Cynthia Merkel, Fred Merkel, Iretha (Robert) White, Sarah Merkel and Laura (Douglas) Pauley. Grandfather of Kateri, Angela, Christine, Rebecca, Geneva, Felicia, and Douglas. Great Grandfather of Makayla, Lilly, Joaquin, Blake, Bobby, Brooke, Natalie, Mason, Selena and Annylea

Visitation will be held Wednesday April 4, 2018 from 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm with a Rosary at 7:00 pm at Hopcroft Funeral Home, 31145 John R Road, Madison Heights (one block north of 13 Mile Road on the west side of John R Road).




Services on Thursday April 5, 2018, Ralph will be Instate at 9:30 am followed by a Mass at 10:00 am at St. Vincent Ferrer, Madison Heights. Burial will be held at Oakview Cemetery in Royal Oak, Michigan following the Mass.

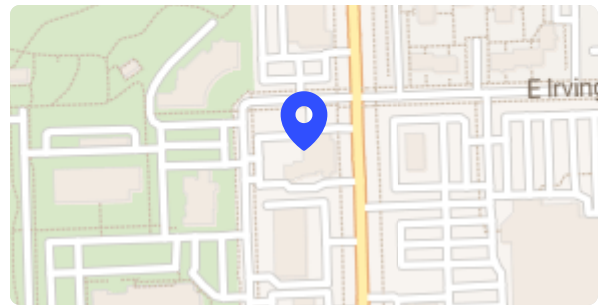


# Events




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## Visitation

-  **Wednesday**, April 4, 2018
-  3:00 PM - 9:00 PM ET
-  **Hopcroft Funeral Home-Madison Heights**  
31145 John R. Road, Madison Heights MI 48071






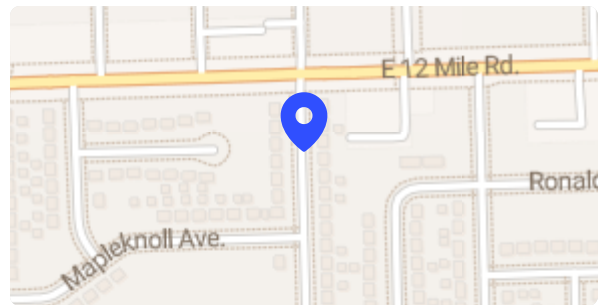
## Rosary

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-  7:00 PM ET
-  **Hopcroft Funeral Home-Madison Heights**  
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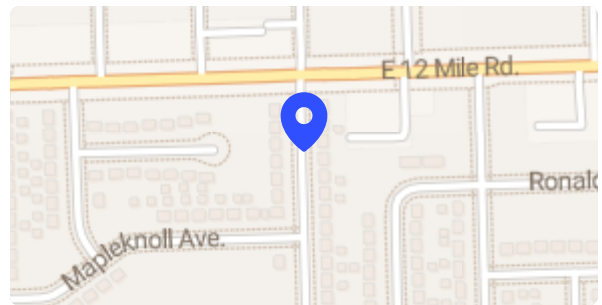
## Instate

-  **Thursday**, April 5, 2018
-  9:30 AM ET
-  **St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Church**  
On Herbert St., South of 12 Mile Road, between John R. and Dequindre, Madison Heights MI



## Funeral Mass

-  **Thursday**, April 5, 2018
-  10:00 AM ET
-  **St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Church**  
On Herbert St., South of 12 Mile Road, between John R. and Dequindre, Madison Heights MI





## Tribute Wall

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**Pamela Joy Fredericks** posted:

I remember Ralph as an avid Standardbred racing fan. He was very kind to a little girl and her pony at the time I recall him. His kindness lives on ... even to this day

April 6 at 11:59 PM



**Martha @Don Hammers** lit a candle in honor of Ralph.



April 4 at 10:35 AM



**Robert Waldrop** lit a candle in honor of Ralph.



April 3 at 6:22 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Ralph by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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