



Stanley Leon Stepowski

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Stanley Leon Stepowski, age 93, of Royal Oak, MI peacefully entered his heavenly home on Friday, February 5, 2021. He is preceded in death by his beloved wife of 49 years, Dolores (Skrzyniarz) Stepowski and beloved daughter Marie (Robert) Cicci. Dear brother of Florence (Edwin) Stockman; Loving father of Norine (Thomas) Fox, Deborah (Steven) Pinto, Jaclyn (Richard) Leidal, Lorraine (Joseph) Daly, James (Margaret) Stepowski and Thomas Stepowski; Proud grandfather of Paul Fox, Anne (Eric) Gray, Jessica (Taylor) Laug, Andrew (Vanessa) Pinto, Ryan Pinto, Michael (Jenny) Dow, Christopher (Ashley) Leidal, Adam Leidal, Alex Leidal, Robert (Jessica) Daly, James (Sydney) Daly; and great-grandfather of Nora and Tess Dow, Griffin and Maverick Leidal, Walker Laug, Violet Gray and Emmett Daly.

Stanley grew up in Detroit, MI and after graduating from Pershing High School in 1946, enlisted in the United States Army. He was a Military Police Officer who served in the United States Army of Occupation stationed in Tokyo, Japan.

In 1951 Stanley married Dolores Skrzyniarz in St. Louis the King Catholic Church and a few years later they moved to Royal Oak, MI where they raised seven children and where Stanley lived for the rest of his life. In 1955 he and Dolores joined the parish of St. Mary Magdalen where his children attended elementary school. Stanley served on the school's bus association and he and Dolores served as Eucharistic Ministers. Stanley had been a member of St. Mary Magdalen for 65 years.

Stanley supported his family by working in the automobile industry. He was a tool and die engineer by trade and was self-taught without a formal degree. Several of his designs were used in production at Ferndale Fastener, a division of Ring Screw Works, the company he retired from in 1993 after many years of hard work.



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Stanley enjoyed DIY home projects, wood crafting, photography, and even paper crafting. He kept his mind sharp by reading and working Sudoku puzzles, collecting quotes, and was a master story teller. Even in his 90s he worked out regularly at his cardiac rehab center. He enjoyed traveling especially by car. He was a fan of the Detroit Tigers and U of M football. But most of all, he loved just hanging out with his family.

Stanley was a loving and fun family man. He was friendly, personable, very witty and had many friends and acquaintances. He was loved by many and will be dearly missed.

Visitation will be held on Friday, February 12th from 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm at Hopcroft Funeral Home, 31145 John R. Road, (1 block North of 13 Mile Road, West side of John R. Road), Madison Heights, Michigan. The Funeral will be held on Saturday, February 13th, 10:30 am Instate followed by the 11:00 am Funeral Mass at St. Mary Magdalen Church, Hazel Park, Michigan. Burial will be at Resurrection Cemetery, Clinton Township, Michigan.

In Lieu of Flowers, please make a donation to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.






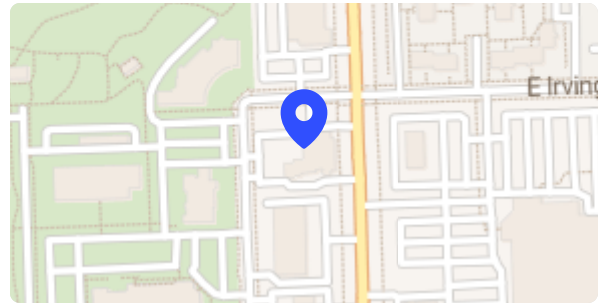
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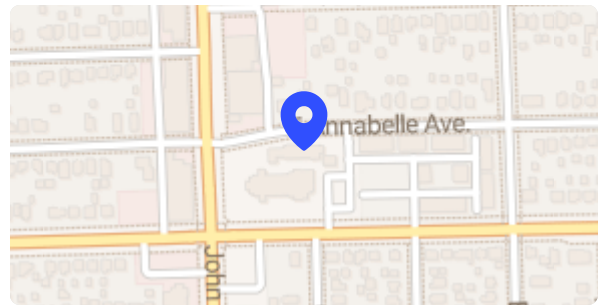
Visitation

-  **Friday**, February 12, 2021
-  4:00 PM - 9:00 PM ET
-  **Hopcroft Funeral Home-Madison Heights**
31145 John R. Road, Madison Heights MI 48071






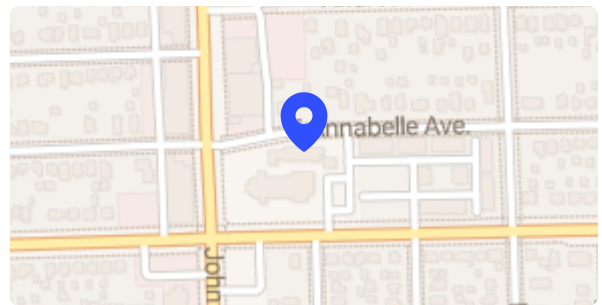
Instate

-  **Saturday**, February 13, 2021
-  10:30 AM ET
-  **St. Mary Magdalen Church**
50 E. Annabelle, Hazel Park MI




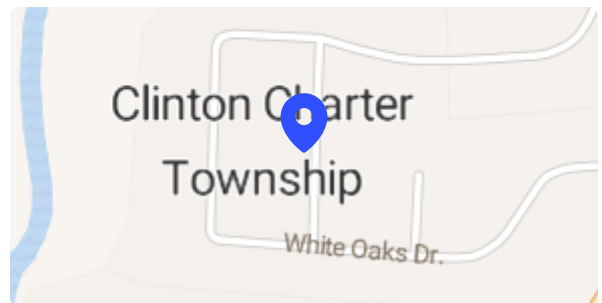
Funeral Mass

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Cemetery Details

-  **Resurrection Cemetery**
Clinton Township MI





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JM

Janet Medici posted:

I remember a time when uncle came to visit Mark and I, he took a ride on my horse wearing a cowboy hat and the smile on his face. It was such an enjoyable visit. He will be missed. To the Stepowski family we give you our deepest sympathy, love you, Mark and Janet

April 2 at 1:14 PM

KT

Kathy Wines Thurman posted:

I had the pleasure of knowing Mr. Stepowski, aka Pope Stosh, Stosh, and "friend" for the past 54 years. He was a kind loving, enjoyable person. I will never forget his sense of humor. I grew up with his family and enjoyed every minute of it. My favorite memory was being at a restaurant with several members of his family, and he had the people at the next table that he was a "de-frocked priest and I was a "defrocked" nun and we kicked out of the church for having an affair. Keep in mind there is a 25 year age difference, and I was (am) best friends with his oldest daughter. I loved spending time with him. He touched my heart so many times. He and his family will always be in my prayers!Kathy Wines Thurman

March 22 at 8:19 AM

DP

David Petrucci posted:

Jackie your Dad was a great person to be around, very classy guy and I enjoyed our conversations at the end of the 11AM Sunday Mass. He will be missed deeply. Sorry for your loss.Dave P.

February 28 at 6:31 AM



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SK

Susan Kelly posted:

Stanley attended Cardiac Rehab for many years and became more than just a client. I looked forward to seeing him and hearing his stories. He often spoke of his family and it was easy to tell how important you were to him and how much he loved and cherished you. He was a kind, caring, generous man with a great sense of humor who loved sharing a joke. I was saddened to hear of his passing and will miss him. I pray his family and friends will find comfort in their memories of time shared.

February 13 at 7:56 AM

JL

Jaclyn Leidal February 14 at 12:09 PM

Susan, thank you for these kind words, my father looked forward to his mornings at the rehab and always spoke highly of you all. He really missed not being able to go because of Covid. Daddy passed pretty suddenly and peacefully and he was surrounded by loved ones. My heart is ill be forever broken. 😞❤️

PV

Patty Viola lit a candle in honor of Stanley.

It was a pleasure to meet you Mr. Stepowski . I enjoyed our little chats over the phone, and even got to stop and visit a time two.

February 12 at 12:26 PM





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Denise Anne Ciaramitaro posted:

My Uncle Stan was delightful. At any family gathering, I was drawn to him and listen to his wit and artful storytelling. Since childhood, he had a very special place in my heart. At Christmas I remember a sleigh he built that was on the roof of his warm Royal Oak home. In the summer, our families were invited to join theirs to Cass Lake or Kensington Park. It was a joy to be with him and my awesome cousins. It was always sad to see the day end. Uncle Stan built a small play ground in his backyard. Surrounded by a corral white wooden fence were playground equipment. As a horse lover of ANY kind, I was totally enamored by the charming carousel he made. There were four brightly painted horses to sit on as someone gave the circle a push. What excellent, caring and creative work my uncle did for his children. My Uncle Stan was a person not afraid to give of his time because he simply loved people. I am so happy that I have countless memories that will remain in my heart as I remember how much I loved him with so many others. I wish you peace, love and blessings from God, dear uncle. --Dorothy's Daughter, Denise

February 12 at 11:02 AM



Jaclyn Leidal February 14 at 12:21 PM

Thank you Denise, we really did have some awesome times growing up. Love you cuz 😊😘



Mike Benner lit a candle in honor of Stanley.

Mr. Stanley was a joy to be around! His wisdom, laughter, humor, and his smile will surely be missed by me and my team 😊🙏 Gods Blessings to all his family, who he always spoke so proudly of!~Siani-Grace Cardiac Rehab Staff ❤️



February 11 at 8:20 AM



Anonymous sent a Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." to the Stepowski family.



February 11 at 8:20 AM



Lashaun posted:

You will be missed, Your Sinai Grace Cardiac Rehab Family.

February 11 at 8:04 AM



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Jeff Skrzyniarz lit a candle in honor of Stanley.

February 9 at 12:10 PM





Memories only last if you share them

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



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