



# Mike Gonzales Sr.

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## **Mike Gonzales Sr.**

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**M**ike Gonzales Sr., 93 of Madison Heights, Michigan passed away peacefully on February 23, 2024.

Mike was affectionately known as Grandpa Chea, Uncle Chea, Chi Chi, and Shorty to family and friends. He was born in San Antonio, Texas on October 31, 1930 to Fred and Eulalia Gonzales.

Mike was married to his sweetheart Celia for 71 years. Mike and Celia moved to Detroit in 1953 and then moved to Madison Heights in 1961. Mike retired from General Motors Fisher Body after 34 years.

Dearest Father to Miguel (Margie), Bernard (Maureen), Rudolph (Lyn), and Norma (Ronald) Norris. Grandfather to Mike III, David, Edward, Celina, Carrie Lyn, Tamara, Kathryn, Daniel, Adriana, and Stacey. Mike had 19 Great Grandchildren. Mike was preceded in death by his wife Celia, Grandson David and siblings Celia, Della, Fred, Salome, Manuel, Ralph, Edmund and Josephine.

Mike was a very generous man who helped take care of many. Mike was a devout Catholic who made daily devotions to his Lord and Savior. He was loved and respected by many.

Mike was a Jitterbug dancer who performed in Nightclubs during WWII to earn money. He was an avid golfer for many years, and loved playing his 3&4 Digit Lottery daily. He also loved music especially his Mexican Conjunto music as well as Jazz, Cajun and Country.

He will be greatly missed by many!

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, February 27th from 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm at Hopcroft Funeral Home, 31145 John R. Road, (1 block N. of 13 Mile Road, west side of John R. Road), Madison Heights, Michigan. The Funeral Mass will be on Wednesday, February 28th beginning at 10:30 am



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Instate followed by the 11:00 am Mass at St. Mary Magdalen Church, 50 E. Annabelle, Hazel Park, Michigan. Burial will be at Christian Memorial Cemetery, Rochester Hills, Michigan.




# Events


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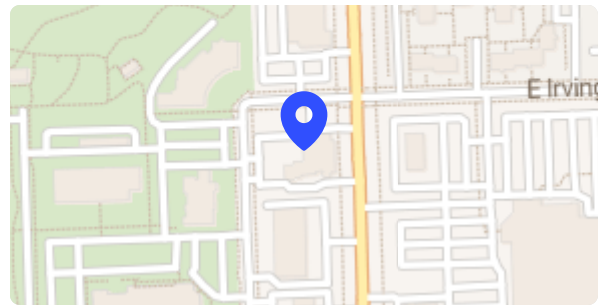
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## Visitation

 **Tuesday**, February 27, 2024


 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM ET


 **Hopcroft Funeral Home-Madison Heights**  
31145 John R. Road, Madison Heights MI 48071



## Instate

 **Wednesday**, February 28, 2024


 10:30 AM ET

 **St. Mary Magdalen Church**  
50 E. Annabelle, Hazel Park MI



## Funeral Mass


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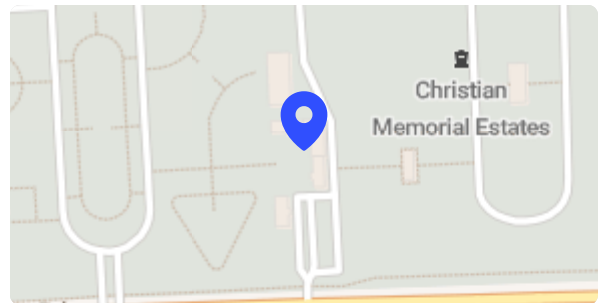
 11:00 AM ET

 **St. Mary Magdalen Church**  
50 E. Annabelle, Hazel Park MI



## Cemetery Details

 **Christian Memorial Cemetery**  
521 E. Hamlin, Rochester Hills MI 48307





## Tribute Wall

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WD

**Wanda Devine** posted:

Mike and Celia were the best people ever, they are both loved and missed. My prayers to all their loved ones. Wanda

February 29 at 3:53 AM

AL

**Ayn Luther** posted:

As we grow older the good memories of people we are connected with feed our hearts and bring us comfort and happiness. Our memories of Mike have always brought a smile to our faces from family celebrations to golf outings. Rest in peace, Mike, and say hi to Sally for me! "Gone from our sight but never our memories. Gone from our touch but never our hearts." Thinking of you and hoping your memories of your times spent with Chi Chi will bring all of you comfort. Wishing you the Peace and blessings of God. Ayn (Tom) Luther

February 27 at 5:09 PM

PS

**Patricia Gonzales Santos** sent a virtual gift in honor of Mike.

Dearest Uncle Mike, we will miss you very much, but happy that you are with your beloved, Aunt Chea and all of our family in Heaven. Love you, from Patsy G, Rene, and Adrianna Michelle Santos.



February 27 at 10:12 AM

PG

**Patricia G.** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Mike.



February 27 at 10:02 AM

AK

**Aggie Knarr** posted:

I am so sorry to hear of Mr Gonzales passing. He has gone to join his beautiful wife ! My condolences to their beautiful family.

February 27 at 9:12 AM



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**Anonymous** sent a Fiery Lily and Rose to the Gonzales family.

February 27 at 8:20 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Gonzales family.

February 26 at 3:14 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Gonzales family.

February 26 at 12:28 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Gonzales family.

February 26 at 12:22 PM



**Dave Doran** posted:

Uncle Mike, we will sure miss you. Becky and I are very thankful we were able to spend time with you last week. It was priceless. Now you are back home with Aunt Chea. Rest in Peace - you will always be in our hearts. Love you so much!David and Becky

February 26 at 7:01 AM



**Your Navico Group It Family** sent a Crystal Cross Bouquet to the Gonzales family.

February 26 at 5:37 AM





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YF

**Your Navico Group It Family** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Mike.

February 26 at 5:37 AM



DB

**Diane B.** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Mike.

February 26 at 3:40 AM



SG

**Sierra, Bryson, Jessica And Greg** sent an Enduring Grace to the Gonzales family.

February 25 at 1:56 PM



TF

**The Dallafior Family** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Gonzales family.

February 25 at 1:40 PM



TF

**The Dallafior Family** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Mike.

February 25 at 1:40 PM



LF

**Love - The Sanders Family** sent a Beautiful Dreams to the Gonzales family.

February 25 at 8:39 AM





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**Sharon W.** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Mike.



February 25 at 7:15 AM



**Anonymous** sent an Ocean Breeze Spray to the Gonzales family.



February 24 at 3:02 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Crystal Cross Bouquet to the Gonzales family.



February 24 at 1:22 PM



**Love, Matt & Chuck** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Mike.



February 24 at 1:22 PM



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

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



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