



## Betty Tomezak

May 25, 1958 - December 10, 2021

Betty Tomezak, age 63, of Royal Oak, passed away on December 10, 2021.

Beloved wife of Charlie. Loving mother of Blake Tomezak. Dear sister of Elaine (Anthony) Borowicz and the late Ron Burak. Dear sister-in-law of Catherine (Steven) Burr, Mary Beth McGahey, Ruth Ann Tomezak, and Joani (Jim) Moore. Dear aunt of Bill Borowicz, Joe Borowicz, Tara McGahey, Roger O'Connell III, Kayla Dye, Shane Burr, and Alexandra Zanotti. Also survived by her faithful companion, Buddy.

Betty loved gardening, knitting, and history—especially genealogy. She was also more recently a big Formula 1 fan who could rattle off surprisingly detailed statistics. Betty was also very fond of animals—alpacas and lamas were at the top of her list, along with of course her cherished cat. She always enjoyed spending time Up North at the family's cottage, and during the winter months she would go snowmobiling with Charlie—an activity they both very much enjoyed. The arts—particularly museums and concerts—rounded out some of Betty's interests, along with her devotion to the Catholic Church. Betty was a member of the Legion of Mary at Shrine, and she regularly participated in the Eucharistic Adoration at the church.

Visitation will take place on Wednesday, December 15 from 3 – 8 p.m. (Rosary 7:00 p.m.) at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W. 11 Mile Rd.

(4 blocks east of Woodward), Royal Oak. Funeral Mass will take place on Thursday, December 16 at 10:00 a.m. (visitation 9:30 a.m.) at National Shrine of Little Flower Basilica, 2100 W. Twelve Mile Rd, Royal Oak. The funeral Mass will be livestreamed at the following: [www.shrinechurch.com](http://www.shrinechurch.com). Burial will follow at Oakview Cemetery in Royal Oak.

Memorial contributions can be directed to the Michigan Humane Society.

Share a memory at [www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com](http://www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **15**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak  
705 W. Eleven Mile Road  
Royal Oak, MI 48067  
(248) 541-7000  
royal@sullivanfh.com  
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

## Rosary

DEC **15**. 7:00 PM (ET)

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705 W. Eleven Mile Road  
Royal Oak, MI 48067  
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## Funeral Mass

DEC **16**. 10:00 AM (ET)

National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica  
2100 W. 12 Mile Road  
Royal Oak, MI 48073

## **Livestream of Funeral Mass**

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DEC **16**. 10:00 AM (ET)

[www.ShrineChurch.com](http://www.ShrineChurch.com)

# Tribute Wall

LL

“ Charlie, so very sorry to about Betty. She was one of the sweetest people I ever knew, always remember her beautiful smile. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your whole family.

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**Larry Lamb** - December 17, 2021 at 11:17 AM

JO

“ Charlie, and Blake so sorry to hear about the passing of your Wife and Blake's mom. Always had fond memories of Betty, here at Shrine. She was a hard helper around the Shrine. Enjoyed working with her at our Shrine fish bakes. Mr. Joe Shrine custodian.

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**Joe** - December 17, 2021 at 10:46 AM

KH

“ Sr. Betty,

*I still remember my first mass at Shrine. In the St. Therese Chapel, you were among a group of whispering butterflies. I can't remember what you said, but your wings were fluttering and your eyes were twinkling.*

*I think Jesus was tearful as He called you home, knowing there would be a trail of broken hearts in your wake.*

*Now a Joyful Jesus welcomes you, His child, to Paradise, that same twinkle in His eyes.*

*I see His Heart flutter with the same butterfly wings.*

*You are with the Lamb of God.*

*I like to think that every heart who loves you, when crossing the veil between Earth and Heaven, will find you 🦋 resting on the Mantle of Our Mother Mary, where Jesus likes to place you for safe keeping.*

*I hope to see you there some day.*

*Sr. Kimberly, LOM Aux.*

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**Kim Hatch** - December 15, 2021 at 04:45 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Betty Tomezak.*



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December 15, 2021 at 03:58 PM

JK

“ *The world has lost a beautiful woman a few days ago. Her kindness and her soft voice will be greatly missed. Betty, with love rest in peace. Uncle John & Aunt Judy.*

Judy & John Krzysiak - December 15, 2021 at 12:46 PM

YT

“ *Your Beaumont Neuro Rehab Team purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Betty Tomezak.*

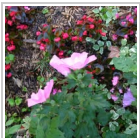


Your Beaumont Neuro Rehab Team - December 15, 2021 at 10:27 AM

KD

“ *My Aunt Betty was the nicest, most caring, and compassionate person I have ever known. She always took the time to chat with me at family gatherings and made sure everyone in the room felt heard and special. I am still in shock that you're gone but I'm happy you are at peace in heaven. You were an angel on this earth if there ever was one. Love you.*

Kayla Dye - December 14, 2021 at 05:20 PM



“ *Dear Friends ( and once neighbors)  
We will be praying that God will be surrounding you with His comfort and love at this difficult time. Betty was a joy to be with and her loving care for many was a blessing. Many memories come to mind as we shared life on Maplegrove.  
Love to you, Charlie, and Blake.....  
George and Ruthmary Gillespie*

George Gillespie - December 14, 2021 at 04:14 PM

GL

“ Betty was the dear little sister to my friend Elaine, growing up on Greendale in Detroit, in the 50's & 60's. When my dad passed in 2006, Betty wrote such a nice tribute memory of my dad❤️❤️  
As time went by she also became the dear neighbor of my mother-in-law, Pauline Lilley. She and the neighbors took great care of Pauline & our family were all greatly appreciative.  
My heart goes out to Bettys's family. Pancreatic cancer is just so unfair.

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Glena Lilley - December 14, 2021 at 04:04 PM

TF

“ The Busch's Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Betty Tomezak.



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The Busch's Family - December 14, 2021 at 01:58 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Betty Tomezak.



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December 14, 2021 at 05:02 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Betty Tomezak.



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December 14, 2021 at 12:04 AM

PR

“ Condolences to the entire Tomezak family. A loss for the family and friends but a blessing for dear Betty. When I think of Betty and how I can describe her, the only word that comes is LOVE. She will always be in my heart and greatly missed. ❤️❤️😘💜

Pamela Robbins - December 13, 2021 at 07:55 PM

AM

“ Ann Marie, Linda, Kimberly, & Minerva purchased the Sacred Garden Spray for the family of Betty Tomezak.



Ann Marie, Linda, Kimberly, & Minerva - December 13, 2021 at 07:44 PM

AZ

“ God's blessing to you my friend. You will be missed.. Anne Zowada

Anne Zowada - December 13, 2021 at 07:14 PM

WI

“ With Love Steve and Cathy Irla purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Betty Tomezak.



With Love Steve and Cathy Irla - December 13, 2021 at 06:08 PM

JA

“ God Speed my friend. God Speed!! Jeff and Joanne Allison

Jeff Allison - December 13, 2021 at 03:38 PM

NL

“ I have known Betty for over 10 years while she worked at AMI. She was always kind, helpfully and caring to me. We also took time to catch up on how both of our families are doing as well as ourselves. Betty was one of those people that no matter how your day was going by the time you hang up with her it would be better. She will be truly missed!



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**Natisha Loving** - December 13, 2021 at 03:26 PM

JR

“ I've never met Betty in person, but I know her well, because she is one of Our Blessed Mother's favorite daughters! The Body of Christ, The Legionaries are praying for Betty all over the World!! May the souls of our departed legionaries and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Br. John Ranallo

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**John Ranallo** - December 12, 2021 at 06:57 PM

CC

“ Betty and I worked together on the Shrine Fish Bakes, I had the pleasure of working with her since 2014, she was so kind and caring! Her passion and detail for the Fish Bakes made them such a success and I will miss her so much! My prayers to her family, Rest In Peace Betty!

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**Curt Cwiek** - December 12, 2021 at 06:05 PM