



## Gilles LeBlanc

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Gilles Bernard LeBlanc, age 95, a veteran of the Korean War and longtime resident of Royal Oak, passed away peacefully on Thursday, February 12, 2026. Born and raised in Windsor, Ontario, Canada, he was the proud son of Henri (Pete) and Edna LeBlanc. As a Sergeant for the U.S. army, Gilles saw action in Korea and always shared many amazing stories of his time there. After the war, he returned home, married his childhood sweetheart Carol Ann Petch and together they raised a large family including three sons and three daughters. He worked in finance for many years and eventually started his own business assembling prototype electronic wire harnesses for the automotive industry.

Preceded in death by his loving parents, his ex-wife Carol, brother-in-law Harford Hughes, and many cherished friends. Survived by his adored sister Elaine Hughes.

Gilles was a loving father to Gil (Tracey), Russ (Darlene), Neal (Kim), Rene (Larry) LeBlanc-Sharer, Paula, and Barbara. He was a beloved grandfather (known as Pepe) to Drew, Jill, Breland, Matthew, Brett, Sean, Craig, Meranda, Jaime, Brittany, Lauren, Cody, and Cameron, is survived by 15 great

grandchildren and a dear uncle to Keith, Todd, and Caron Hughes.

Viewing and funeral arrangements are as follows: Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors, 705 W. Eleven Mile Road, Royal Oak, MI, Monday, February 23, 2026. Open viewing 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. Memorial service 12:00 pm. He will be laid to rest at Oakview Cemetery in Royal Oak.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are appreciated to the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in loving memory of Gilles B. LeBlanc.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Gathering

FEB **23**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak  
705 W. Eleven Mile Road  
Royal Oak, MI 48067

## Memorial Service

FEB **23**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ We’re holding all of you in our thoughts as you honor and remember Gil. The stories he shared about his family, his service, and his work always reflected the deep love and pride he carried for everyone in his life.

*In the days ahead, we hope you find comfort in the memories that bring a smile—the moments that show who he was as a father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend. His legacy truly lives on in each of you.*

*Wishing you peace, gentleness, and the warmth of family around you as you navigate this loss. Love Todd and Teresa*

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**Teresa Hughes** - February 23 at 11:10 AM



“ A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gilles LeBlanc.

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February 22 at 12:07 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Gilles LeBlanc.



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February 21 at 03:06 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gilles LeBlanc.

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February 21 at 03:06 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gilles LeBlanc.*



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February 20 at 01:26 PM



“ *Over 40 years ago, I met Uncle Giles. From that moment on, he always made me feel like family and always greeted me with a big smile and a big hug. Although over the last several years, I haven't seen him much but when I did that big smile and that big hug was still there! Loved hearing his stories and he always made me laugh. God has saved special place in heaven for you Uncle Giles. You will be truly missed by all who knew you. Sending love and prayers to the LeBlanc and Hughes families. . God bless you all. Love you Linda Hughes*

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**Linda Hughes** - February 19 at 02:49 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gilles LeBlanc.*



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February 19 at 02:30 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gilles LeBlanc.*

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February 19 at 02:30 PM

JS

“ I'm so sorry to hear about the heartbreaking loss! Sending peace, love and big hugs to Barb and the LeBlanc family during this difficult time!



Janice Szalay - February 19 at 11:59 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Gilles LeBlanc.



February 19 at 10:33 AM

BK

“ Brian Kopf purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Gilles LeBlanc.



Brian Kopf - February 19 at 08:39 AM

CH

“ We are so sorry for your loss, and for ours. Family gatherings will never be the same...BUT, I am grateful that Uncle Gilles was in my life for so many years.... he was a character! The Hughes Family loved him very much... always. ❤️. And we love all of the beautiful people he had a part in bringing into the world!!! May he RIP.  
Caron and Elaine Hughes

Caron Hughes - February 18 at 10:01 PM

SD

“ I’m so sorry for your loss.

*Your dad lived such a full and meaningful life — from his service in Korea to the beautiful family he raised. Being “Pepe” to so many is a legacy of love that will carry on.*

*Thinking of you all and sending you so much comfort during this time. 🧡*

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**Sherri Dufton** - February 18 at 12:25 PM