



Irene J. Wnukowski

February 16, 1928 - January 16, 2019

Irene J. Wnukowski, age 90 of Shelby Twp. passed away on January 16, 2019. Beloved wife of the late Norbert C. Dear mother of Norbert J. Wnukowski, Richard (Terry) Wnukowski, Norene Kessler and Terry (Wayne) Rogers. Loving grandmother of 7 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. Friends may visit at Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Road (3 blocks East of Van Dyke), Utica on Sunday, January 20, from 2:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. with a scripture service at 7:00 p.m. Funeral Mass on Monday, January 21, at St. Kieran Catholic Church, 53600 Mound Road, Shelby Twp. where she will lie in state from 10:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. time of Mass. Interment at Christian Memorial Cemetery. Memorials suggested to Seedlings Braille Books or St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital would be appreciated. Please share a memory at www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com

Cemetery Details

Christian Memorial Cemetery

521 E. Hamlin Road
Rochester Hills, MI 48307

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 20. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm Sullivan and Son Funeral Home
8459 Hall Road
Utica, MI 48317
(586) 731-2411
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Scripture Service

JAN 20. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Instate At Church

JAN 21. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Kieran Catholic Church
53600 Mound Road
Shelby Township, MI 48316

Funeral Mass

JAN 21. 11:00 AM (ET)

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53600 Mound Road
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Burial

JAN 21. 2:00 PM (ET)

Christian Memorial Gardens West
521 E. Hamlin Road
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Tribute Wall

AS

“ Irene and Norb had been such good friends to my mom, especially after dad passed. I know that she has treasured her relationship with them and the conversations she and Irene had. As someone else said, Irene always presented as a happy and joyful person even with life's tribulations. My thanks to Irene and Norb for what they gave to my mom and my condolences to all of you on their loss.

Annette Shimkus

Annette Shimkus - February 17, 2019 at 03:15 PM

JS

“ My earliest memory of Mrs. Wnukowski was when I was very, very little before I had even started kindergarten yet. My mom had taken me to Mrs. Wnukowski's house one day just to visit, and I remember her being so friendly, happy and kind. That impression has remained true ever since. I will always be grateful for the unfailing cheerfulness, humor and kindness Mrs. Wnukowski always showed me, especially after my own mom died. Being invited to join my dad at her annual post-Christmas dinner parties is something I will always cherish, and, in addition to my own grandma's, I will probably never have better homemade pierogi (and potato salad) than what Mrs. Wnukowski always made. I will miss her (as I miss Mr. Wnukowski, too) and I will be praying for your family in your loss. My deepest condolences to all of you. Love you.

Julie Szydowski - January 21, 2019 at 09:13 AM

NE

“ We have lived across the street from Irene and her husband since 1999. We've seen her husband pass years ago and now her.

We've plowed their driveway, for free of course, for as long as I can remember, that is when Norbert wouldn't try and beat us to it. I've listened to their stories, Mike's brought their garbage cans to the curb and back to the house again time after time after time. We were always taught to take care of our elders.

Irene would always thank me and I would tell her your welcome, it's no trouble at all. I told her how my grandparents had a neighbor that did the same for them. We gotta take care of each other I would say.

Every night they would have their kitchen light on which had red globes and would give a red glow to front window. As I look out the front window the house is dark, no signature red glow to the window. It looks dark and empty because it is. People driving by have no idea what's been lost but I know.

They were good neighbors, baked sausage and cookies for years at Christmas. When she got older she bought us store bought muffins because she was afraid if she cooked she would forget and leave the stove on, but she always thought of us.

We wouldn't always talk but we would always wave. Irene said that when her husband was sick and didn't have long to live that he enjoyed watching us cut our grass. If I'd have known that I would have cut it every day.

They were both friendly and religious. Church every Sunday, lunch with "the girls". She was a kind lady.

Rest in peace Irene, I know you're glad to see your Norbert but we'll miss you.

Neighbor - January 19, 2019 at 02:04 PM

 Jim
Jakubiec

“ So very sorry to hear about your Mom, she was a very nice lady, always had a smile on her face! You and your family are in our prayers- Jim and Karen
Jakubiec

Jim Jakubiec - January 18, 2019 at 09:17 AM