



## Joann "Joanie" Messina

May 24, 1935 - July 8, 2022

Joann "Joanie" Messina (nee Blake), age 87, a resident of Macomb Twp. Michigan. She entered into eternal life on Friday, July 8, 2022. Born in Detroit with her twin, the late Joyce Moakley, to their mother, the late Irene Blake (nee Green). She is survived by her beloved children Linda Colton, Joseph Messina, Joyce (Joseph) Frontera and Theresa (Robert) Zola. Proud grandmother to Christine (Sean) Sutton, Kevin (Yolanda) Colton, Courtney (Brian) Hodare, Nicole (Chris) Munsterman, Bradley Messina, Allesandra (Alex) Vandervert and Anthony Frontera. Cherished great-grandmother to Justin and Luke Colton, Benjamin and Jack Hodare, Connor and Rebecca Munsterman, Lincoln, Theodore and Ophelia Vandervert. Joanie was predeceased by her husband, Louis, and her daughter Donna Patzer. She was a stay-at-home mother until her children were well into their elementary school years. She then found employment with General Safety Corporation where she retired after 30 years. She loved her many work friends and enjoyed becoming a member of their bunco card club, bowling team and their famous holiday parties- plus their annual retiree get-togethers. Joanie had an open door policy. She loved entertaining and hosting social events. She will be missed for her famous cinnamon rolls, orange cookies and fruit pies because the crust was so yummy. A visitation will be held at the Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Rd, Utica (3 blocks east of Van Dyke) on Tuesday, July 12th, from 3-8 pm. Family and friends will gather for a Christian Funeral Mass on Wednesday, July 13th, at St. Therese of Lisieux Parish,

48115 Schoenherr Rd., Shelby Twp. (North of 21 Mile Rd). She will lie in state at 9:30 am until the time of Mass at 10 am. Please share a memory on the Tribute Wall at [www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com](http://www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Cadillac Memorial Gardens East Cemetery

38425 Garfield Road  
Clinton Township, MI 48038

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 12. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm Sullivan and Son Funeral Home  
8459 Hall Road  
Utica, MI 48317  
(586) 731-2411  
utica@sullivanfh.com  
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

## Funeral Mass

JUL 13. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Therese of Lisieux Catholic Church  
48115 Schoenherr Road  
Shelby Twp., MI 48315

# Tribute Wall

LB

“ We sure will miss you Aunt Joan. You were such a wonderful woman and so kind to so many of us. May you rest in peace. Love Tony and Laurie

Lauren brancalone - July 18, 2022 at 12:22 AM

LI

“ You will be missed may you rest easy



Lindsey - July 13, 2022 at 04:57 AM

LL

“ Leonard LaBeau lit a candle in memory of Joann "Joanie" Messina



Leonard LaBeau - July 12, 2022 at 10:00 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joann "Joanie" Messina.



July 12, 2022 at 01:30 PM

SR

“ Sincerely, Carissa and Joe Rusnak purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Joann "Joanie" Messina.



Sincerely, Carissa and Joe Rusnak - July 12, 2022 at 12:09 PM



“ Joanie was a beloved friend of my sister, Jean Karol. I remember her well for never being at a loss for words, always upbeat, and just plain fun! She was devoted to family and friends and I remember her being there for Jean in her last days. Rest in peace dear Joanie...

Carolyn Rabine - July 12, 2022 at 11:39 AM

LC

Thank you so very much Carolyn.

Linda Colton - July 12, 2022 at 01:45 PM



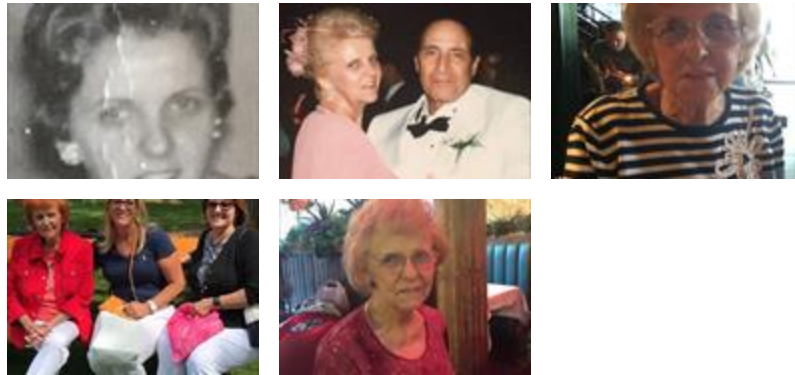
“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joann "Joanie" Messina.



July 12, 2022 at 07:49 AM

LC

“ 38 files added to the tribute wall



Linda Colton - July 12, 2022 at 07:23 AM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Joann "Joanie" Messina.



July 11, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms* was purchased for the family of Joann "Joanie" Messina.



July 11, 2022 at 04:51 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joann "Joanie" Messina.*



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July 11, 2022 at 12:49 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joann "Joanie" Messina.*



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July 11, 2022 at 09:49 AM



“ *Bruce & Mary Ann Colton purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Joann "Joanie" Messina.*



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**Bruce & Mary Ann Colton** - July 11, 2022 at 09:24 AM



“ *With eternal love, Bommarito Family purchased the Sacred Garden Spray for the family of Joann "Joanie" Messina.*



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**With eternal love, Bommarito Family** - July 10, 2022 at 07:52 PM