



## John J Hoolehan

September 30, 1935 - February 7, 2021

Hoolehan, John J. (Jack)

Age 85, February 7, 2021

Beloved husband of Sharon and the late Carol Ann. Loving father of Christopher (Beth), Holly (Roy) Ruhle and 7 step children. Proud grandfather of 12 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren. Dear brother of Colleen (Kenneth) Goffinett and was predeceased by 5 other sisters. Proudly served in both the US Army and National Security Agency. He retired from General Motors after 34 years and then volunteered for 19 years as director at the Shrine.

Instate Wednesday 10 am until time of the Funeral Mass 11 am at the National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica, Royal Oak. The Funeral Mass will be live streamed via <https://www.shrinechurch.com/mass-livestream>

Memorials appreciated to the National Shrine of the Little Flower Schools or Duke Children's Hospital's Pompe Disease Research Fund

To access the donation center:

- Click on the following link for Duke Children's donations: <https://www.gifts.duke.edu/dch>
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- Type Pompe Disease Research Fund in the Search for an area box
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# Cemetery Details

## White Chapel Memorial Cemetery

621 W. Long Lake Road  
Troy, MI 48098

# Previous Events

## Funeral Mass

FEB **10**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall

LK

“ Sharon,  
Please accept our sympathy and know that we will be lifting you up  
in our prayers.  
The Mass this morning was lovely and Jack will be missed by so  
many dear family members and friends.  
With our love,  
Mark and Lisa Kraus

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**Lisa Kraus** - February 10, 2021 at 01:56 PM

PE

“ My late husband, Bill and I played in the Shrine Pinochle Group for  
a number of years with Jack and Carol. Jack was such a kind,  
friendly man. I'm so happy he is resting in peace with the Lord.

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**Paula Edson** - February 09, 2021 at 09:38 PM

MK

“ So sorry to read of Jack's passing. Such a wonderful asset to the  
Shrine Community. Such an engaging, fun person who cared so  
much and could be counted on. I'll miss seeing you, Jack. Thank  
you for being such a good person and inspiration on living life well.  
Maureen Kennedy

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**Maureen Kennedy** - February 09, 2021 at 12:52 PM



“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of  
John J Hoolehan.



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February 09, 2021 at 12:49 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of John J Hoolehan.*



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February 09, 2021 at 12:06 PM



“ *Jack was a stellar human being--faithful, loving, generous, honest, responsible, cooperative and caring! His sense of humor and his smile are treasures to remember. Jack shared a special relationship with my congregation, the Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati, when he and Carol were Associates in Mission with us for several years. His care and attention to his family, the Shrine and the Shrine schools were unbeatable! I'm sure I know where he is now! My sympathy and prayers are for Sharon, Holly, Chris, and each one of Jack's loving, large family. May Jack, in his new life in God, continue to bless us and be an advocate for us!*



*Sister Noreen Ellison, SC*

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**S. Noreen Ellison** - February 09, 2021 at 11:29 AM



*Jack and Carol were my next-door neighbors in Royal Oak for 8 years. They were both fantastic, funny, and generous human beings. My sincere condolences to Sharon and all off Jack's family. This is a great loss to anyone who ever knew him.*

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**Joe Grimley** - February 10, 2021 at 01:33 PM

CG

“ To the best brother a sister could ever ask for, and you had a lot of sisters (6 to be exact) and you were right smack in the middle of all that chatter. The world is a sadder place without you. Your kindness, integrity, generosity, sweet sense of humor and everlasting faith in God defined you. I was your baby sister and I will miss you all the days of my life. Love you forever.

*Colleen (Hoolehan) Goffinett*

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**Colleen Goffinett** - February 09, 2021 at 11:09 AM

TS

“ Jack was a good friend for many years. Dorothy and Carol were friends from Mumford High in Detroit. We remember the early years when we vacationed with Jack and Carol and our kids at the cottage in Canada on Lake Erie, and all the get-togethers at Christmas and through the years. We'll miss him.

*Tom and Dorothy Stuart*

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**tom stuart** - February 09, 2021 at 11:03 AM

JK

“ I remember Jack as a friendly, kind man willing to help in any way. He was a great asset to our church. We were in Shrine's Pinochle Club for years. It was always a pleasure to play cards with Jack and his wife. He was good at cards and always had a smile and a chuckle. Jack put up a great fight and now is in God's loving arms. My condolences with prayers of support and peace to Sharon, Holly and the rest of his family. He will be missed but not forgotten. Hugs!

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**Juliann (Julie) Kumm** - February 09, 2021 at 10:13 AM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of John J Hoolehan.*



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February 09, 2021 at 09:58 AM



“ *Jack has always been a huge supporter of Shrine Schools, a gentle man, a sweet soul and a smile that inspires. He joins his maker and will continue his watch for all the Hoolehan family. He will also continue to keep his eyes on the Shrine Basilica, and Shrine Schools. My prayers and sympathies for his entire family.*

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**James R Mio** - February 09, 2021 at 06:39 AM



“ *To the Family of Jack,  
I'm so very sorry to hear that Jack has passed away. I had the pleasure of working with Jack for several years at Shrine. He was so very kind and patient with me while he showed me the ropes. We could always depend on Jack, his timing and smile was like clockwork. He never forgot a step, especially when it came to leaving candy at the gift shop for his grandkids. He took pride in all of his family. I am certain you will all miss him.. so will I. Rest In Peace Jack. We know you did your best in service to Him always.  
Nicole Walker*

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**Nicole Walker** - February 08, 2021 at 08:03 PM



*Sharon, So very sorry about Jack. May you soon find peace and comfort in your many fond memories of him.*

*Linda Lambert*

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**Linda Lambert** - February 09, 2021 at 04:59 PM



*Jack was a man of genuine faith with a great sense of humor. Dick and I have so many happy memories of times with Sharon, Carol and Jack. You fought the good fight and now it's time to rest in your eternal reward. We extend our love and prayers to Sharon, Holly, Chris and the entire Hoolehan family. We'll miss you dear friend, but never forget you.*

*Dick & Molly Daly*

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**Molly Daly** - February 10, 2021 at 09:44 AM



*Jack and Carol were my next-door neighbors for 8 years. They were incredibly kind, funny and generous: perfect neighbors and terrific humans. My sincere condolences to Sharon and all of Jack's family. This is a great loss for anyone lucky enough to know him.*

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**Joe Grimley** - February 10, 2021 at 01:36 PM