



Leslie Joyce Pielack

November 9, 1944 - June 25, 2023

Leslie Joyce Pielack, 78, passed away peacefully on June 25, 2023, surrounded by her family. She was born in Detroit in 1944. She graduated from Royal Oak High School and married her husband Dennis in 1962. Together they were married 60 years and lived throughout Michigan with their two children; Angela and Joseph. Leslie worked as a beautician and as an industrial seamstress for Ford Motor Company. She lived her retirement years in Utica, Michigan surrounded by family. Leslie was a dedicated servant of the Lord, her husband, and her family. She was simultaneously selfless in her gift of time and love, though stubborn in her beliefs when she felt them deeply. Leslie was a generous, beautiful, and loving woman who you could always come to for an encouraging word. Whether it was a major life event or something as small as a splinter, she was the all-time greatest and most sincere dispatcher of empathy with an unceasing supply to give. Her college care packages to her grandchildren of honey, lemon, tea, and of course whiskey shots, are almost as legendary as she was to all of us. Leslie was the glue of any family gathering and was always looking for the next one to emerge. Her sense of humor would light up the room and bring joy to everyone around. Kind and supportive, she spent her last days comforting and encouraging her family to be strong in her transition; emblematic of the loving person she was famous for being. Leslie was present for every event from singing, plays, dance, soccer, hockey, choir, golf, graduations, and more. She was unwilling to miss a moment; making everything the better for it. A loving

wife, sister, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend who will always be missed and never be forgotten. Leslie leaves a legacy of fun noises, faces, and personality traits mimicked unconsciously and lovingly making us all more like her than we know and yet ever grateful to be. Leslie was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Mary. She leaves behind her husband Dennis, brother Ron (Jill), beloved children Angela (Rob) and Joseph (Elyse). Leslie was devoted and ever-present to her ten grandchildren: Kristina (Brad), Jenny, Kathryn (Adam), Amy, Richard (Alissa), Karilynn (Hunter), Faith, Grace, Joy, and Joseph. Her six great-grandchildren Alexia, Zoey, Noah, Lillian, Noelle, and Annabelle were the joy of her life. Visitation will be Thursday, June 29th from 12 noon to 8pm and her Funeral Service will commence on Friday, June 30th 11am with a short viewing prior to the service at 10am at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Road, Utica. Leslie's service will be live streamed for those unable to attend, and can be found here: <https://view.oneroomstreaming.com/index.php?data=MTY4ODA3MTc5MzI1OTE4NiZvbmVyb29tLWFkbWluJmNvcHlfbGluaw==> . Flowers are welcomed, but please consider making a donation in memorial in Leslie's name to Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mt. Elliott Street, Detroit, MI 48207. www.thecapuchins.org The Wm. Sullivan Funeral Home is honored to serve the Pielack family. Please share a memory with her family at www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com

Cemetery Details

Christian Memorial Gardens West

521 E. Hamlin Road
Rochester Hills, MI 48307

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **29**. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm Sullivan and Son Funeral Home
8459 Hall Road
Utica, MI 48317
(586) 731-2411
utica@sullivanfh.com
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Funeral Service

JUN **30**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors created a Webcast in memory of Leslie Joyce Pielack*



Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors - June 29, 2023 at 12:51 PM



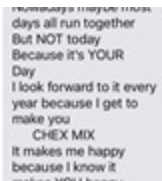
“ *Each time we traveled to Michigan with our six kids to spend time with the cousins, Grandma Leslie was there! At first I couldn't quite understand how that truly HaPpY and "hot little number" could be a Grandmother. She seemed so light and energetic (yet calm) and young! We were noisy and messy and she acted like she was so HaPpY to see our troop. I was new to the group so her acceptance really meant a lot to me. I will always admire the effortless and kind connection between Leslie and Angela and the kids. Peace.*

Denise Burks - July 01, 2023 at 01:53 PM

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“ Leslie, the inventor of the Chex mix cake, may not get a patent and make millions from it, but she earned more in my heart. I think the hardest part of her fight was not making me my cake this year... and so many other things she did for others. She gave and gave and gave, everything she could and more. When the material wasn't there to give, was her ear and her time that was unceasing and in the end the real gift any of us wanted. Her laugh, oh boys, and noises she made to hide her intent while giving it away with ease is the irreplaceable. She was the matriarch of this family. Even last night, as we sat on the lake having a great family night masking the pain of loss, you could feel her watching over us trying to make sure it lasted all night long. Leslie was the best of us, never too proud, always ready to give, and truly the glue that kept the connections together. We will always be great, even with her loss, because like glue, she will never let go of the pieces she brought together.

Leslie, nanny, mom, and friend, always in our hearts, your passing won't stop that, nothing ever could



days all run together
But NOT today
Because it's YOUR
Day
I look forward to it every
year because I get to
make you
CHEX MIX
It makes me happy
because I know it

Robert Euashka - July 01, 2023 at 07:53 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Leslie Joyce Pielack.



June 30, 2023 at 03:34 AM

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“ Sharon Killen and Nancy Wagner planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Leslie Joyce Pielack.

Sharon Killen and Nancy Wagner - June 29, 2023 at 08:04 PM



“ Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Leslie Joyce Pielack.



June 29, 2023 at 11:07 AM

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“ The Bohm Family purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Leslie Joyce Pielack.



The Bohm Family - June 29, 2023 at 08:31 AM

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“ I only got to know Leslie for a week in the Outer Banks but I felt I knew her longer. What wonderful chats we had. What a beautiful soul. Peace to your Spirit.

Robbi Ackland - June 28, 2023 at 08:26 PM



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

June 28, 2023 at 03:41 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Leslie Joyce Pielack.*



June 28, 2023 at 03:41 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Leslie Joyce Pielack.*



June 28, 2023 at 03:36 PM



“ *On behalf of the Capuchin brothers I offer my deepest sympathies on the passing of Leslie. It is truly humbling to receive memorial donations in honor of her life. Please be assured of the brother's prayers for the entire Pielack family during this great time of grief. May perpetual light shine upon Leslie.*

Br Nick Blattner Ofm Capuchin - June 28, 2023 at 12:54 PM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Leslie was such a special lady. From the moment we met her, she always made us feel comfortable, welcomed and a part of the family. She will be missed.*

Katie Rehs - June 27, 2023 at 10:58 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Leslie Joyce Pielack.*



June 27, 2023 at 10:53 PM



“ *I've actually known Leslie longer than her daughter Angela, who has been a dear friend for more than 30 years. Leslie was kind and caring and will be missed by many of us! My sincere condolences to Dennis and the rest of the family! May she rest in peace knowing the legacy she left behind!*

Marie Brown - June 27, 2023 at 07:15 PM



Sending healing prayers to the family. I know your hearts are broken. May you find peace in knowing she lives on though all the love she shared.

So glad we got to visit a few years ago for lunch. She will be missed.

Hugs to all.

Kathy Nicolson (Riley)

kathy nicolson (riley) - June 29, 2023 at 05:58 PM

LH

May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind be always at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face; the rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of His hand. This traditional Irish blessing is an ancient Celtic prayer.

Sending prayers and lots of hugs to you Angie and Joe and families, I have many fond memories of your beautiful Mom!

*Fondly,
Lynn Hemsworth (Crimson)*

Lynn Hemsworth - June 29, 2023 at 10:37 PM