



Loretta M. Syler

August 18, 1955 - January 10, 2025

Loretta M. Syler (née Meitz), age 69, a cherished resident of Shelby Township, passed away peacefully on Friday, January 10, 2025, in Oakland Township, Michigan. Born on August 18, 1955, in Detroit, Michigan, she was the beloved daughter of the late Marvin Erwin and Genevieve Delphine (née Majewski) Meitz.

Loretta was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend whose life revolved around the people she loved. She married the love of her life, Joseph A. Syler Sr., on April 17, 1982, at St. John Fisher Chapel in Rochester, Michigan. Together, they built a beautiful life, sharing 41 years of marriage before Joseph's passing on February 11, 2024.

A consummate host, Loretta found joy in cooking and sharing meals with family and friends. Summers at the family cottage in Caseville were among her happiest times, where she loved spending days on the beach surrounded by loved ones. Loretta was also a passionate golfer and a proud member of Scenic Country Club alongside her husband. She enjoyed the thrill of visiting the casino and was known for her warm and generous spirit.

Loretta was the devoted parent of Joseph Syler Jr. (Bonnie) and Gretchen Reichenbach (Jimmy), and she took immense pride in her role as grandmother "Mumma" to her grandchildren: Katie Gatwood (Justin), Sarah

Soring (Jonathan), Ryan Reichenbach, Vivien Christiansen, Grant Reichenbach (fiancée Cassidy), Collin Syler, John Reichenbach, Curtis Reichenbach, Julie Syler, and Kelsey Syler. She was also a beloved great-grandmother to Graham Gatwood and Grayson Gatwood.

A cherished sister to Dolores Adams (Edward), Loretta was also a loving aunt to Michael B. Adams. Her family and friends will always remember her for her kindness, her laughter, and her unwavering love.

Family and friends will gather to celebrate Loretta's life with a visitation on Tuesday, January 14, 2025 from 2-8pm with a prayer service at 6pm at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home 8459 Hall Road (3 Blks E. of Van Dyke) Utica.

A funeral mass will be held on Wednesday, January 15, 2025 at St. Lawrence Catholic Church 44633 Utica Road (Btwn Van Dyke - M-59) Utica, she will be in state at church from 11am until the time of the mass at 11:30am.

Loretta will be laid to rest next to Joseph at Prestonville Cemetery, Shelby Township, Michigan.

In memory of Loretta donations to St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church-Music Dept- 31555 Hoover Road, Warren, Michigan 48093

Cemetery Details

Prestonville Cemetery

25 Mile Road
Shelby Township, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 14. 2:00 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/>

Prayer Service

JAN 14. 6:00 PM (ET)

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Instate At Church

JAN 15. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Lawrence Catholic Church
44633 Utica Road
Utica, MI 48317

Funeral Mass

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Tribute Wall



“ A grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Loretta M. Syler.

January 14, 2025 at 08:36 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Loretta M. Syler.



January 13, 2025 at 01:22 PM



“ Jenny, Billy, Virginia, & Mary Kathryn purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Loretta M. Syler.



Jenny, Billy, Virginia, & Mary Kathryn - January 13, 2025 at 12:35 PM



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“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Loretta M. Syler.*



January 13, 2025 at 11:55 AM



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

January 12, 2025 at 01:03 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Loretta M. Syler.*



January 12, 2025 at 01:03 PM



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

January 11, 2025 at 02:19 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Loretta M. Syler.*



January 11, 2025 at 02:19 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Loretta M. Syler.



January 11, 2025 at 01:56 PM



“ Joe and Loretta became dear friends to us. We looked forward to their Nashville visits and getting to hang out together. Sad for us... happy for them
Phil & Myra Myrick
(Nashville Tennessee)

Phil & Myra Myrick - January 11, 2025 at 01:27 PM



“ Steve & Patty Gilewicz family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Loretta M. Syler.

Steve & Patty Gilewicz family - January 10, 2025 at 09:45 PM



“ Steve & Patty Gilewicz family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Loretta M. Syler.



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