



## Michael John Cervenak

June 22, 1922 - June 8, 2015

Cervenak, Michael J. of Rochester Hills, passed away June 8, 2015 at age 92. He will be fondly remembered for his unique qualities of strong faith, kindness and unconditional love of those around him. Michael was born in Detroit, Michigan on June 22, 1922 to the late John and Maria Cervenak, He was a graduate of the Detroit College of Business and retired from a long and distinguished career with the Procurement and Production Division of the U.S. Army Tank Automotive Command in Warren. He was pre-deceased by his beloved wife Anna who died in 1992, and his brother Jerry. Michael is survived by his sons Michael (Margery) of Washington Township, Paul (Gayle) of East Lansing, and John (Susan) of Bloomfield Hills. He is also survived by six adoring grandchildren and sixteen great grandchildren, and his dearest and close friend Betty Lou. Family will receive friends at the Wm Sullivan & Son Funeral Home 8459 Hall Road (3 Blks E. of Van Dyke) Utica, Thursday 2:00 p.m..until 8:00 p.m. In state Friday, 9:30 a.m. at St. John Lutheran Church, 1011 West University Drive, Rochester, (btw Rochester Rd. and Livernois) until time of Service at 10:00 a.m. Memorial Contributions to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, 8600 27 Mile Rd., Washington, MI 48094 in lieu of flowers. Please share a memory at [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 11. 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/>

## In State

JUN 12. 9:30 AM (ET)

St. John Lutheran Church  
1011 West University Drive  
Rochester, MI 48307

## Funeral Services

JUN 12. 10:00 AM (ET)

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1011 West University Drive  
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# Tribute Wall

SN

“ When I first met Mr. Cervenak many years ago, he made me feel at ease immediately. At the time, I was working for his eldest son, Michael, at Providence Hospital, in a very fast paced non-stop busy office. My thoughts were....."Oh the boss's father is calling, I better give him a little extra 'TLC' and not have him wait too long to connect him with his son." Mr. Cervenak, Sr. was always so kind and thoughtful and would be very apologetic for having called. He was also quite gracious and charming and would, on occasion, share a joke or two with me to make me laugh. When I finally met him in person, I felt like we had been old friends for years. He was a true gentleman through and through. I have missed hearing his voice and seeing his smiles to this very day. May his love and zest for life continue to live on through his children, grandchildren, and friends.

*With love and prayers,  
Sandi Nigoghosian*

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**Sandra Nigoghosian** - June 11, 2015 at 10:28 PM

BB

“ I remember Mr and Mrs Cervenak as a young person. Our families worshipped together at Our Shepard Lutheran Church. Mike and I attended the same schools from First - Twelve Grade. My husband, Rich, and I attend St. John and was saddened to read the email notifying us of his passing. May God comfort your family as only He can provide at this time. Blessings, Bonny Steffen Babiak

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**Bonny Babiak** - June 11, 2015 at 05:13 PM

DG

*My condolences to the family. I have fond memories of your Dad at Our Shepherd in Warren and he always had his Bible, and again at St John's*

**Dennis Green** - June 11, 2015 at 08:18 PM

WA

*“ To the family of Michael Cervenak: Please accept my sincere sympathy for the loss of your loved one. While we don't know one another, experiencing the devastation of losing a loved one is something we all face in our lives. The Bible promises a time when "death will be no more" (Rev 21:3.4) and assures us that God hears our prayers (Ps 55:22). I hope this brings you some peace during this difficult time.*

**Wanda** - June 11, 2015 at 06:55 AM



*“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Michael John Cervenak.*



June 10, 2015 at 09:40 PM

SB

“ *The beauty of a man who truly enjoyed every minute of life...filled with love, mercy, kindness, peace and joy.....and a robust appetite! He truly loved all God's people and lived with such a zest for life and adored his family.*

*What a blessing it has been to have his presence and example for almost 93 years.*

*Grandpa, you have left your mark on this world and will be deeply missed! What an honor and blessing it has been to be your granddaughter.*

*I Love You Dearly,*

*Sarah*

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**Sarah Budznowski** - June 10, 2015 at 12:52 PM

JP

“ *Micheal and my father, Chester were very good friends throughout their lives as they lived in the same subdivision. I am sad to hear he has passed but now they will be able to catch up with all of the old freinds from the neighborhood. May you find comfort in time of greif.*  
*Jim Pisarski*

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**James Pisarski** - June 10, 2015 at 12:43 PM

DK

*I had the opportunity to teach some of the LIFELIGHT Bible classes at St. John that Michael regularly attended. He came well prepared for each lesson. He had written out answers to each of the questions before hand. No one prepared like Mike did! He was loved and respected for his deep faith that he displayed. He was looking forward to be with his wife in heaven.*

*The Lord has given him his wish. We praise the Lord.*

*Dr. Roy Kaiser*

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**Dr. Roy Kaiser** - June 12, 2015 at 08:21 AM

DF

“ *We would like to send our Deepest Sympathy and Condolences to the Family & Friends of Michael Cervenak. We are friends of his grandson Eric. May God keep you all strong for one another during this emotional time. Keep Mr Cervenak's spirit alive with fond memories of him and always remember that the Love we have inside us we take it with us when we go. Godspeed.*

*With Thoughts & Prayers,  
Douglas & Rima Ferich*

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**Douglas & Rima Ferich** - June 10, 2015 at 10:40 AM