



Norman Francis St. Onge

April 5, 1922 - May 19, 2016

Norman Francis St. Onge, age 94, a longtime resident of Royal Oak, passed away on Thursday, May 19, 2016 in Troy. Norman was born April 5, 1922 in Ishpeming, Michigan. He was a resident of Royal Oak since 1950 and longtime parishioner at the National Shrine of the Little Flower. Norman served in the U.S. Army during WWII in a classified position as a Radar Operator. After his service to our country, he went on to work at Western Electric and retired in 1983 after 37 years of service. He was a member of the Bishop Gallagher Knights of Columbus #2569 and also the American Legion Post #253. Norman enjoyed ice skating, playing hockey, fishing, and playing cards. He especially enjoyed Cribbage and Euchre. He coached football in the Royal Oak Recreation League and was also a Scout Leader for nearly 30 years in Troop #1634. Most importantly Norman enjoyed spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

Beloved husband of the late Frances. Loving father of Paul (Gayla), Fred, Richard (Kristine), Thomas, Robert (Paula), David (Barb), and Mary (Michael) Panetta. Proud grandfather of 13 and great-grandfather of 5.

Visitation Thursday, May 26, 2016 from 2-8 PM at the Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 705 W. Eleven Mile Road (4 blocks E. of Woodward), Royal Oak.

Instate 9:30 AM Friday, May 27, 2016 until time of funeral Mass 10 AM at the

National Shrine of the little Flower Basilica, Royal Oak.

Interment White Chapel Memorial Cemetery, Troy.

Memorials appreciated to the Alzheimer's Association.

Please share a memory at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Cemetery Details

White Chapel Memorial Cemetery

621 W. Long Lake Road
Troy, MI 48098

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 26. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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705 W. Eleven Mile Road
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Scripture Service

MAY 26. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Mass

MAY 27. 10:00 AM.

National Shrine of The Little Flower Basilica

Tribute Wall

JR

“ *Wish I could be with you today as you say goodbye to this wonderful man.*

I feel very lucky and honored that I had the opportunity to meet and spend time with him. I learned a lot about the St. Onge family! And am glad to be a part of it.

I remember our talks about how long he had been retired.....and it was very close to the number of years I have been working. WOW!!!

And for his "99years from now, etc" saying ... I think it may change the course of the world because of his amazing kids, grandkids, and great grandkids. Nieces and nephews, too. He was such a positive influence for all of them.

*My thoughts and prayers are with all of you,
Janis*

Janis Reiser - May 27, 2016 at 08:10 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Norman Francis St. Onge.*



May 26, 2016 at 02:42 PM

TF

“ *The Thiel family purchased the Basket of Joy for the family of Norman Francis St. Onge.*



The Thiel family - May 25, 2016 at 07:15 PM

JA

“ *Always find myself borrowing one of Grandpa's infamous catchphrases to keep things in perspective when I hit a rough spot: "99 years from now it won't change the course of the world a whole bunch."*

I loved punches in the nose and noogies. I remember sitting in Grandpa's big armchair and playing his Wheel of Fortune game, cribbage, the best attic with old board games and magic closets, picking raspberries and his garden. I am lucky to have been able to get lunch and a beer with him at the Legion a few months back and hear him talk about his friend Shorty Johnson whittling him a cribbage board.

I am proud to count myself as a member of the very storied and distinguished St. Onge brood! We love you Grandpa.

Jackie - May 25, 2016 at 04:06 PM

MV

“ Hi All,

We are thinking of you!

We are sad not to be able to be with you at this time.

Your dad was my favorite uncle and I was his favorite nephew!

Love,

Michael and Susan Visintin

Michael J. Visintin - May 25, 2016 at 01:22 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Norman Francis St. Onge.*



May 25, 2016 at 09:32 AM

MD

“ *My condolences to the family. Death claims the lives of those we love. Recall pleasant memories you shared with your loved one. May you find comfort in Jesus words, "I am the resurrection and the life, he who exercises faith in me even though he dies will come to life.-John 11:25*

Ms. Dee - May 24, 2016 at 05:32 AM

KD

“ Kyleen Duchene lit a candle in memory of Norman Francis St. Onge



Kyleen Duchene - May 23, 2016 at 05:47 AM

KD

So sorry for your loss Mary. Sending a healing prayer and a hug to you and your family.

Kyleen Duchene - May 23, 2016 at 05:49 AM

DO

“ Grandpas favorite picture. He always carried this in his wallet and enjoyed showing it to everyone he met.



Dallas St. Onge - May 22, 2016 at 05:37 PM

DO

Dallas ST. ONGE

Dallas St. Onge - May 22, 2016 at 05:40 PM

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“ Grandpa with his parents, and his sisters, Carol and Marie.



Dallas St. Onge - May 22, 2016 at 05:35 PM

DO

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Dallas St. Onge - May 22, 2016 at 05:41 PM

GS

“ Dear St .Onge family Although I had only met your day once at my home, I found him to a wonderful man, very proud of his family. We had a very nice visit when Tom brought him over to meet my daughter Lynn and myself. He told us a little about himself and family and I told him how much we loved his son Tom. Sorry that our visit was so short, but I always asked about him and Tom shared stories with us. I know this is a loss to all of you, but now you have two very special angels watching over you. So make sure all of you shape up if you are not already. God bless you and keep you in his care. Our prayers are with all of you.

Gerri Slaton and Family, Tampa, Fl

Gerri Slaton - May 22, 2016 at 12:38 PM

DO

“ Grandpa and Griffin in the garden - "The great tomato explosion!"



Dallas St. Onge - May 22, 2016 at 09:09 AM

DO

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Dallas St. Onge - May 22, 2016 at 08:56 AM

DO

Love you Grandma and Grandpa.

Dallas St. Onge - May 22, 2016 at 08:57 AM

BF

We are so thankful that Bill Sullivan alerted us of Norm's passing to the Great Scout Camp in the sky. The DeBone family men have fun memories of " Stonge Stew" that greeted them after the yearly spring canoe paddle Down the Rifle River. The Shrine Boy Scouts troop surely was blessed with his many, many years of active support. Clean, reverent, brave. He lived the motto.

Bob DeBone family - May 23, 2016 at 11:30 AM

JS

“ Grandpa and Grandma came to Marquette every summer to visit when we were kids. He loved Andy's mints and peanuts on his ice cream.



Jenny St.Onge - May 22, 2016 at 12:43 AM

JS

“ Grandpa and Grandma came to Marquette every single summer when we were kids. He loved Andy's mints and peanuts on his ice cream. And we loved him.



Jenny St.Onge - May 22, 2016 at 12:28 AM

MP

“ Prime example of a Mr. St. Onge haircut on Susie



Mary Panetta - May 21, 2016 at 08:55 PM

SW

“ Thanks for all the hair cuts, Mr. St. Onge. I love you. -Susie Webster



Susie Webster - May 21, 2016 at 08:39 PM

CM

“ Mr St Onge was a great family man. I saw it many many times growing up and see him reflected in the actions of his beautiful family. All my love to u guys, Chris (Mack)



chris m - May 21, 2016 at 03:59 PM

SP

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Sean Panetta - May 21, 2016 at 03:25 PM

SP

“ "99 years from now won't change the course of the world a whole hell of a lot." Love you grandpa!



Sean Panetta - May 21, 2016 at 03:22 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Norman Francis St. Onge.*



May 21, 2016 at 01:04 PM



“ *You will be missed, grandpa*



samantha - May 21, 2016 at 12:08 PM



“ *Come celebrate our dads wonderful life with us....we love you.*



Moo - May 21, 2016 at 12:00 PM