



## Paul Manik

January 16, 1923 - July 28, 2019

Manik, Paul, age 96 of Oak Park, passed away on July 28, 2019. He was born on January 16, 1923 in Larksville, PA to Paul and Mary Manik. Beloved husband of the late Rose. Loving father of Patricia (Robert) Olson, Mary Ann (the late Robert) Olmsted and Judy (Larry) Vardon. Proud grandfather of Sharon, Robert, Melanie, Stefan, Lance and great grandfather of Dennis and Maxwell. Brother of Mary (the late Alex) Donorovich, George (Barbara) Manik and the late Albert (the late Helen) Manik.

Paul was an avid gardener and was known for the flowers and vegetables that he grew. His pride and joy was a "hybrid" maple tree that has been growing in his yard for the past 15 years. In addition to his passion for gardening, he enjoyed classical music and going to the symphony. Mr. Manik proudly served his country in the U.S. Army during WWII and was held as a POW for nine months in Germany. He retired from Kroger (Livonia) as a dairy technician and previously worked for Twin Pines Dairy and Farm Crest Dairy.

Visitation Friday 1-7 pm with rosary 5 pm at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W. 11 Mile Rd. (4 blocks E. of Woodward), Royal Oak. Funeral Saturday, in-state 10:30 am until time of Mass 11 am, at Our Lady of LaSalette Church, 2600 Harvard Rd., Berkley. Burial with honors rendered by the U.S. Army, Tuesday, August 6, 2 pm at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. Memorial contributions to American Diabetes Association or Wounded Warrior

Project are appreciated. Share your memories at [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 2. 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak  
705 W. Eleven Mile Road  
Royal Oak, MI 48067  
(248) 541-7000  
royal@sullivanfh.com  
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## Rosary

AUG 2. 5:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Mass

AUG 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of LaSalette Catholic Church  
2600 Harvard Road  
Berkley, MI 48072

## Burial

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AUG 6. 2:00 PM (ET)

Great Lakes National Cemetery  
4200 Belford Road  
Holly Township, MI 48442

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Susie(Manak), Ed, Allyson & Kayla lit a candle in memory of Paul Manik*



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**Susie(Manak), Ed, Allyson & Kayla** - August 12, 2019 at 10:27 AM

SK

*Susie, Ed, Allyson & Kayla are sending our deepest sympathy and all the family has been in our thoughts and prayers xo*

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**Susie(Manak), Ed, Allyson & Kayla** - August 12, 2019 at 10:33 AM

MA

*Dad it's been 6 years you left us. I couldn't write anything as my grief was uncontrollable. I barely still get through a day without thinking of u. Mel & I bring u up all the time.*

*You were my hero & I know u said all those who died are the heroes - you're wrong. There was nobody who didn't like you. You savored in your flowers and love for stars*

*You were Melanie 's dad when her dad died in 1991. She has such immense love for you. You gave so much for all of us.*

*I'll never forget when Fr., Mike came over & I heard u say Im not ready to die. u were 95 yrs. I kept that in my .*

*Bobs anniversary is the June 19th - I miss him also.*

*So many special times he's missed with Mel. U were there for her & I thank u so much.*

*You r remarkable and I only hope God has let you enjoy all those flowers u so loved on earth.*

*And mom - she was the best! I'm so glad you met the way you did.*

*Such unconditional love for 68 yrs of*

*Marriage. Hard life -yes. Yet, through love and prayers - you did it. God I need you both here.*

*Mel has a horrific long Covid crisis. She passes out*

*so much front and many times twice a day. Her mental health has been a struggle & pls both of you pray for her.*

*There is nobody else. Please ask Our Lord to stop it all.*

*I worry so & have no place to turn.*

*Lost my faith as it's been too much. She's helped the family so much & they r gone. We spend holidays alone - birthdays, etc. pls ask God to help her get well.*

*I can't do it.*

*Mom & dad - I'm so sorry to have ever hurt you. Pls forgive me.*

*Without you I don't know if I'd be here.*

*Mel wants to end her life all the time - the stress of that*

*Never ends. I sure raised her wrong after Bob died.*

*And now she's paying for it. I can't change the past.*



*I failed her. I'm weak. Will God ever forgive me ?*

*And provide the tools - I also failed in that.*

*Mel always wants to go to see grandpa but it's gone.*

*We'll be up to see u both to the sites. Please mom & dad I need lots of prayers. I love you & miss you both.*

*May you be surrounded with love and peace - and a few gardening jobs if allowed.*

*Love u so forever, Mary Ann - June 5, 2025.  *

*Like*

mary ann - June 05, 2025 at 08:20 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paul Manik.*



August 02, 2019 at 12:39 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paul Manik.*



August 01, 2019 at 12:42 PM



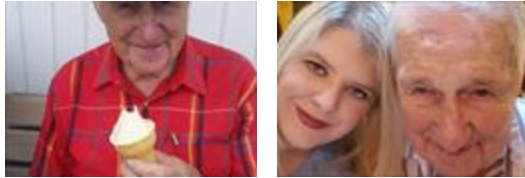
“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paul Manik.*



July 31, 2019 at 09:49 PM

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“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Melanie Olmsted - July 31, 2019 at 10:45 AM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Melanie Olmsted - July 31, 2019 at 10:43 AM

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Melanie Olmsted - July 31, 2019 at 10:25 AM

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**Melanie Olmsted** - July 31, 2019 at 10:23 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Paul Manik.



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July 30, 2019 at 08:20 PM

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“ *Bob and Cathy Manik purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Paul Manik.*



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**Bob and Cathy Manik** - July 30, 2019 at 04:24 PM