



Pete Ellas

June 30, 1922 - June 4, 2016

Pete Ellas, age 93, passed away on June 4, 2016. Beloved husband of the late Mary Ellas. Loving father of Christine (Dr. Michael) Kurzawa. Proud grandfather of Katie (Neil) Patel, Charles, and Alex. Pete was a proud Marine and served during WWII in which he was awarded the Purple Heart Medal. Visitation at the Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Road (3 Blks E. of Van Dyke), Utica, on Wednesday, June 8th from 3pm to 8pm. Thursday, in state 11:30 a.m. until time of his Funeral Service at 12 Noon at Trinity Lutheran Church, 45160 Van Dyke Ave. (@ Hall Rd.) Utica. Interment at Great Lakes National Cemetery Holly, Michigan. Memorials appreciated to Trinity Lutheran Church. Please share a memory at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Road
Holly Township, MI 48442

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 8. 3:00 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/>

Funeral Services

JUN 9. 12:00 PM (ET)

Trinity Lutheran Church
45160 Van Dyke
Utica, MI 48317

Tribute Wall

AR

“ I've only known pete for a couple of years but spending days with him on a regular basis has truly enriched my life. So many treasured memories; learning greek recipes, boiling dandelion greens and turnips, watching the antics of the squirrels, and deciding what would taste good for lunch, he always put a smile on my face. Pete inspired me with his optimism as everyday he would appreciate looking out his door wall at God's beautiful creation as we would count our blessings and pray for our loved ones together. I will miss him greatly, but rejoice that he is free from pain and suffering, no longer missing his beloved Mary, and experiencing the unimaginable joy of seeing our Savior face to face in his new heavenly home.

Ada Roeser - June 08, 2016 at 07:51 AM

ER

“ I've never really had a grandpa until I met Pete. I longed for that for many years as a child and through taking care of him, he became that to me. He poured wisdom into me, made me laugh, and truly showed me the love of a grandpa. I will never forget walking in each morning to him saying "hellooooo Elizabeth!!!" With a huge bright smile. He taught me that life is by no means easy but we can find peace, rest, and joy in our steadfast Lord always. From giving me stamps to keep in touch while at school, to reading from his prayer journal, to feeding the squirrels, I have countless memories that put a smile on my face an make me feel blessed to have known Pete. He will be truly missed, but oh how happy I am that he is pain free and dancing in heaven with our God!

Elizabeth Roeser - June 08, 2016 at 07:37 AM

MD

“ *My condolences to the family. Recall pleasant memories you shared with your family. May it comfort you to know God is near to those that are broken at heart.-Psalms 34:18*

Ms. Dee - June 08, 2016 at 06:57 AM



“ *Blooming Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Pete Ellas .*



June 07, 2016 at 12:45 PM

DV

“ *To a beloved Uncle. I enjoyed our phone conversations and letters tremendously. They, and he, were a very important part of my life. He will be greatly missed - by everyone in our household.*

Uncle Pete and Aunt Mary are together again. Heaven's gain.

*With Love,
cousin David Veatch
(and Callie)*

David G. Veatch - June 06, 2016 at 09:00 AM

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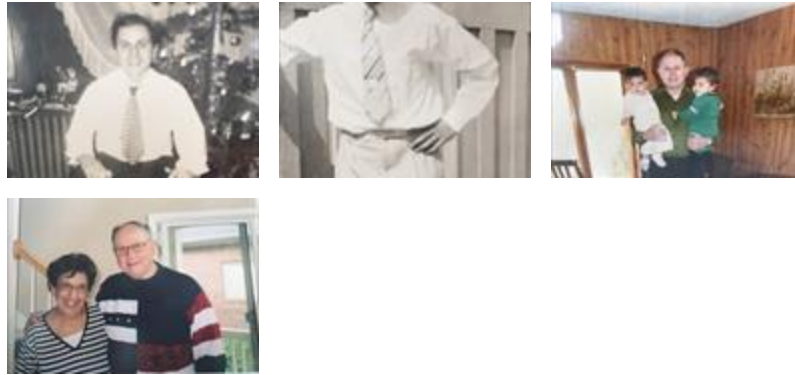
“ I was always touched that Chris's Dad enjoyed some homemade soup that I would send his way for lunch. He was so grateful. Thank you Pete for your service to our country. Thank you for your beautiful daughter Chris and her family.

*Blessings,
Chrissy Sengstock*

Chrissy Sengstock - June 05, 2016 at 10:29 PM

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christine kurzawa - June 05, 2016 at 04:50 PM

JS

I always enjoyed doing little favors to help Pete out. Changing the furnace filter, putting new batteries in his chime clock once a year & resetting it for daylight savings time twice a year made him happy as he was no longer able to do these simple items. He also enjoyed my homemade soups that I shared during the winter months. It was nice to make Pete's day with such simple helping hands. I will miss stopping in to cheer him up.

Jim Schwarz

Jim Schwarz - June 05, 2016 at 07:27 PM

KM

Although it was only for a short time, I am blessed to have gotten to know him and thankful to have called him my friend. I will miss our chats about nutty squirrels, politics, James Bond and the glory days of Detroit. I loved how he would light up describing the city of his youth.
-Karen Miscovich

Karen Miscovich - June 05, 2016 at 10:08 PM