



Peter Skupeko Jr.

March 31, 1923 - March 24, 2017

Peter Skupeko was born on March 31, 1923, son of Peter and Margaret (Dudla), Eastern European immigrants. Born in Bridgeport, Ct., raised and lived in Detroit for 60 years. A graduate of Wayne State, with a BA in Chemistry, he worked for the City of Detroit Sewage Treatment Plant. Starting as a jr. chemist and retiring 30 years later as a plant supervisor. Married Anita Marion Gering near the end of WWII and served in the Navy, including a deployment to Japan. He was voted "Most Congenial Sailor" on his ship. Together they raised three children until the untimely death of Anita in 1966. Married Laura Vincent Rodriguez in 1968 and added four stepchildren to the family. They spent 45 happy years together retiring to the Port Huron area. After Laura's death in 2013, Peter moved to Minnesota to live with his children, Lynn and Peter, and became a well known and beloved member of the Catholic Eldercare community in Northeast Minneapolis. He will be fondly remembered for his good nature, lively sense of humor, love of music and harmonica playing.

In addition to being an accomplished scientist, Peter had an appreciation of the fine arts and pursued many creative hobbies including, carpentry (furniture building and extensive house rehabilitation), photography (setting up a darkroom to process his own film), electronics (he built a "color" tv in 1960 and his first computer), and mechanics (routine car repairs and overhauling engines). He had a profound love of nature and animals and took his family on

many camping trips.

He is survived by his children, Shoshana Silver, Peter (Sandy Lindstrom) and Lynn, as well as stepchildren: Juan David (Kathy), Roger David (Trudy), Dennis David (Claudia) and Rachel Stombaugh (Nevin); 21 grandchildren and many great grandchildren. He is also survived by his cat, P-Cat. Peter was buried in the family plot in Royal Oak, Michigan on March 28th. We want to thank the staff at Catholic Eldercare for four years of compassionate care, from the Day Program to the Nursing Home. Memorials to Catholic Eldercare By Day or to the donor's charity of choice.

Cemetery Details

Roseland Park Cemetery

29001 Woodward Avenue
(NW corner of 12 Mile and Woodward)
Berkley, MI 48072

Tribute Wall



“ *Shoshana, Lynn and Pete:
Great picture of your Dad, 94 is a great, long life! Brings back many memories of life on Monte Vista; hide and seek under the streetlights, running around unsupervised all day with our pack of boys, walking up and down the alleys trying to catch bees. Your Dad had the first "color" TV with that wheel in front of the screen, and the first quality stereo I ever saw and heard. Pete, I remember listening to Piper at the Gates of Dawn on that stereo. Hope all of you are well, I am in Seattle, been there 22 years.*

*Best,
Jim Voelker*

Jim Voelker - April 04, 2017 at 10:59 AM



“ *Pete - So sorry to learn of your father's passing. Extending my sincere sympathy for your loss. My condolences to you and your entire family. Mike Emmons (Cooley HS '67)*

Mike Emmons - April 03, 2017 at 09:53 PM



“ *Pete==I will try calling you in MN. Decades to catch up on. Your dad (RIP) was an amazing guy in so many ways, I think of him often and *every time* to this day when I see a 55- '56 Oldsmobile!!! All my best to you and the family. ==Ed Balian*

Edward Balian - April 03, 2017 at 05:05 PM