



## Reina Svacha

June 13, 1923 - February 26, 2020

Reina M. Svacha, age 96, passed away on February 26, 2020. She is the beloved wife of the late Joseph Svacha, Jr; the dear mother of Delpha (Susan) Svacha, Paul (Linda) Svacha, Maria (Robert) Crothers, and Andre (Susan) Svacha; the proud grandmother of Brett (Samantha), Geoffry (Sabrina), Mathew, Aron, Cassandra (Jason), Jessica (Jordan), Ashley, Andre II (Crystal), and Kevin (Olivia). She is also survived by 8 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. Reina is the daughter of the late Delpha and Maria Leduc; the dear sister of Theresa Leger, the late Madaline Sheff, and the late Fabian, the late Rene, and the late John Paul Leduc.

She was a devoted member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church, their Altar Society, and St. Lawrence Seniors and Michigan Catholic Conference. She was a member of the American Legion Utica Post 351 Ladies Auxiliary, Ladies Eight and Forty and VFW. She was a school teacher of 69 years, including substitute teaching. Most of her teaching was at St. Lawrence School until her retirement.

Reina's family will receive friends for visitation on Thursday, March 5, from 2:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. with a Rosary and VFW service at 7:00 p.m. and Friday, March 6, from 2:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. with an American Legion Auxiliary, Ladies Eight and Forty and eulogy service at 7:00 p.m. at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Road (3 blocks East of Van Dyke), Utica. Funeral Mass on Saturday, March 7, at St. Lawrence Catholic Church,

44633 Utica Road, Utica, instate at 9:30 a.m. until the time of her mass at 10:00 a.m. Interment at St. Lawrence Cemetery, Utica. American Legion Child Welfare Foundation. P.O. Box 361626, Indianapolis, IN 46236-1626 cwf-inc.org. Please share a memory at [www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com](http://www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com) <<http://www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com>>

# Cemetery Details

## St. Lawrence Cemetery

Auburn Road  
Utica, MI 48317

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 5. 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  
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## Rosary and VFW service

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## American Legion Auxillary/Eulogy Service

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## Funeral Mass

MAR 7. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Lawrence Catholic Church  
44633 Utica Road  
Utica, MI 48317

# Tribute Wall

MF

“ Meritor Family purchased the Garden Accent Stone - *"Wherever a Beautiful Soul..."* for the family of Reina Svacha.



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**Meritor Family** - March 05, 2020 at 01:37 PM

CM

“ A dear sweet lady and an excellent teacher, Reina was always dedicated to doing the best for every student she encountered. She was a valued member of the St. Lawrence school staff and community. May her reward be great in heaven for her many years of service to so many. Rest In Peace dear lady.

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**Cheryl Mocerri** - March 05, 2020 at 01:10 PM

YW

“ Aunt Reina was the reason I became a teacher 35 years ago! Helping her set up her fifth grade classroom at St. Lawrence in the late 60's was the spark I needed to pursue this wonderful career. She was my first teacher mentor and I am always grateful for that. Love you Aunt Reina--Yvonne Wirth

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**yvonne wirth** - March 05, 2020 at 01:03 PM

MF

“ Much love from Theresa Leger and Family purchased the Delightful Dieffenbachia for the family of Reina Svacha.



Much love from Theresa Leger and Family - March 05, 2020 at 12:54 PM

SF

“ Mrs. Svacha— one of finest educators. She was bright, funny, fair& compassionate. May you Rest In Peace, dear Mrs Svacha💕💕

sandy favrow - March 03, 2020 at 11:56 AM

DG

One of the best “lay” teachers as we used to call them that SLS ever had. She was a great person with a real instinct for education. May the angels welcome you to Paradise. Donna Griffiths

Donna Griffiths - March 03, 2020 at 07:23 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Reina Svacha.



March 02, 2020 at 03:19 PM

J.

“ One of the most dedicated teachers at St.Lawrence, and a faithful supporter of our military. I always bought my poppy from her!! She will not be forgotten!

J.marlowe - March 02, 2020 at 02:51 PM

EM

“ *She was my fourth and seventh grade teacher...*

*I remember that at the end of our 4th grade class she would read to us.. which I really loved.*

*She exemplified true dedication...*

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**Ed Maguire** - March 01, 2020 at 06:17 AM

AM

“ *Mrs Svacha was my 5th grade teacher. I just have to share that I think about her in doing my job daily after surviving her unforgettable diagramming 5th grade "boot camp." I now help kids with their language skills in a school setting and no part of grammar is not forever eternally linked to her!! Thank you Mrs Svacha!! -Amy Repicky*

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**Amy van der Merwe** - February 29, 2020 at 05:52 PM

CM

*How very true! I was in that same class with you, and it was indeed unforgettable. Rest easy Mrs. Svacha. -Kevin Mocerì*

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**Cross Mocerì** - March 01, 2020 at 07:38 AM

KW

*Mrs Svacha was one of my favorite teachers at Saint Lawrence. I ran into her many, many years after graduation and it was remarkable that she remembered my name. She was a lovely lady who will not be forgotten.*

*Kathleen Hallman Wilczewski*

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**Kathleen Hallman Wilczewski** - March 01, 2020 at 07:53 AM

JC

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



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**Jack H. Clock** - February 29, 2020 at 05:09 PM

JS

“ Mrs. Svacha was my 5th grade teacher in 80-81. She was an icon to St. Lawrence School and we are grateful to her for her many history lessons, her beautiful teaching of English and her love for our veterans. God bless you Mrs. Svacha and many thanks for all of your years of caring and sharing. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

*Jacquie Vitale Schmitt*

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**Jacquie Vitale Schmitt** - February 28, 2020 at 09:04 PM

JS

*Correction, 83-84*

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**Jacquie Vitale Schmitt** - February 28, 2020 at 09:05 PM

MW

*Such sad news. Many Prayers to a wonderful and beautiful lady who will forever be in my heart and prayers. Sugar*

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**Mary "Sugar" White** - February 29, 2020 at 08:35 AM

EF

“ Ed Durham...Legion friend purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Reina Svacha.



Ed Durham...Legion friend - February 28, 2020 at 05:36 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Reina Svacha.



February 28, 2020 at 04:21 PM

DC

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. Your mom was a wonderful lady and will be missed by many. Prayers as you go through this time of grief

Deanna Cortright - February 28, 2020 at 10:14 AM

ED

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



EDWARD DURHAM - February 27, 2020 at 09:37 PM

SU

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



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Susan - February 27, 2020 at 08:28 PM

SU

“ 9 files added to the album Memories Album



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Susan - February 27, 2020 at 08:05 PM