



## Thaddeus Kucab

June 12, 1941 - February 1, 2021

On Monday, February 1, 2021 Thaddeus Kucab of Sterling Heights, Michigan passed away at the age 79 surrounded by his loving wife and children after a courageous battle with cancer.

Thaddeus, "Ted" or "Bud" as he was often called, was born on June 12, 1941 in Detroit, Michigan to the late Thaddeus Kucab and Mary (Grandys) Kucab.

Ted is survived by his wife of 31 years, Karen-Lynn (Case) Kucab; children Dawn (Jeff) Bradley; Theresa (Andy) Monks; Allan (Amy Hepper) Kucab; Phillip (Kory Stamper) Kucab; daughter-in-law, Pamela Kucab; step-daughters Stacey (Bill Hulet) Neece-Hulet and Cristy (Pete) O'Toole; siblings MaryAnn (Gary) Ludwig; Thomas (Claudia) Kucab; A. Robert (Ruth) Kucab; Edward (Maria) Kucab; 14 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren, as well as many cousins, nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his son, Christopher Kucab.

Ted grew up on the east side of Detroit and was the oldest of 5 siblings. He attended Guardian Angels Catholic School and Notre Dame High School, graduating in 1959. From modest beginnings, whether a grocery bagger, bank teller, or warehouse manager, people loved working with him and for him. He was never afraid to get his hands dirty and mastered the art of leading by

example at an early age. He never expected anyone to do something he wouldn't do himself. This work ethic was apparent throughout Ted's life extending well beyond his jobs.

Ted enjoyed playing cards, fishing, wood working, cooking and golfing. He taught his children to play the best hand they could with the cards they were dealt. A fisherman himself, he taught his children to fish. A woodworker and jack of all trades, he taught them to select the right tools for the job. He was also the consummate chef-Polish sausage, ribs and breaded pork chops were some of his specialties. With his partner always by his side, Ted and Karen could be depended upon for a great spread at any party.

In his retirement, he devoted his time to his family, rarely missing a grandchild's birthday, baptism, sports game or family event. He was the mortar holding all the bricks together. He enjoyed volunteering his time at St. Michael Catholic Church by decorating, gardening, coordinating and cooking meals for MCREST. One of the highlights of this past year was achieving the title of "Sir Knight," a fourth degree member of the Knights of Columbus fraternal organization.

A funeral Mass will be held at the St. Michael Catholic Church in Sterling Heights, Michigan on Saturday, February 20, 2021. Visitation from 9:00am until the time of the Memorial Mass at 9:30 am. Please note that appropriate precautions for COVID-19 are required. Virtual participation is encouraged. Expressions of sympathy may be sent in the form of a donation to The Kucab Family Memorial Fund. This fund will support charities for cancer and underserved children to honor the legacies of Ted and his late son Chris. For more information on virtual participation and the memorial fund, please visit <http://kucablegacy.com>.

# Cemetery Details

**Cremation**

## Previous Events

### Memorial Visitation

FEB 20. 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM (ET)

St. Michael Catholic Church  
40501 Hayes Road  
Sterling Heights, MI 48313

### Memorial Mass

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Thaddeus Kucab.*



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February 15, 2021 at 11:47 AM



“ *Kathleen V. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathi phyllum for the family of Thaddeus Kucab.*



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**Kathleen V.** - February 13, 2021 at 11:59 AM



“ *Dear Allan, Amy, Anthony, Andrew, Addison, Phil, Kory and the rest of the Kucab family: our deepest sympathy on the loss of your dad. We are praying for you and hoping you find peace and comfort during this time. Love, Megan and Eric Kelly*

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**Megan Bartlett-Kelly** - February 12, 2021 at 08:21 PM



“ *Karen,  
God bless you and your family during this difficult time. Our prayers are with you in hopes that his wonderful life give you comfort.  
Cynthia  
(Assistant @ Wealth Strategy Partners - Greg Spinazze)*

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**Cynthia Holloway-Johnson** - February 11, 2021 at 11:08 AM

PE

“ Karen and family, you have such fond memories that will bring comfort to you in this difficult time. My deepest and sincere sympathy.

*Will think of Ted whenever I see mosquitoes in Manitoba.*

*Love Pat*

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**Pat Eastgate** - February 10, 2021 at 02:50 PM

LG

“ Love from Andréa and Jeanne White Ginder purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Thaddeus Kucab.



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**Love from Andréa and Jeanne White Ginder** - February 10, 2021 at 01:03 PM

JE

“ I am so sorry about your family's loss. God blesses us with special people he puts in our lives. It sounds like he was a true gift. We catch things from people we are around--and he leaves behind a true legacy of what matters and counts. God's peace and strength to the whole family, and rest in the promises of eternal life found in Christ. Thaddeus fought the good fight and finished the race. His life and legacy now cheer you on to complete the race before you--with your eyes on Christ, knowing His love for you and the gift of the people around you. Peace.

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**Jim Elmore** - February 10, 2021 at 09:07 AM

BM

“ Our most sincere sympathy on the passing of such a good friend. We will sure miss the Hand and Foot card games, dinners, and other get-togethers. Ted’s memory will live forever in our hearts as we look out in our courtyard and see the beautiful park bench that he and Karen renovated! RIP dear friend.

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**Bob and Carol Mociulewski** - February 09, 2021 at 12:54 PM

GB

“ Donna and I will miss him a great deal, playing cards ,going out to dinner and his great smile. I had the pleasure of golfing ,having lunch with him and friends every Wednesday and playing cards with Ted and Karen.  
I think of him every day .

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**George Barta** - February 09, 2021 at 11:20 AM