



# Hugo J. Ferrari, Sr.

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## **Hugo J. Ferrari, Sr.**

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**M**r. Hugo J. Ferrari, Sr., age 76, passed away Thursday, October 23, 2003 following a lengthy illness. He was born February 17, 1927 in Slickville, PA to Adam and Mary (Pretari) Ferrari and lived in the Muskegon area since 1969. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army having served in Germany in the 1st Division "Big Red 1" during WWII. On January 26, 1957, he married the former Julia L. Bonatesta in Barnesboro, PA. Prior to his retirement in June 1992, he worked as a manufacturing engineer for Howmet Corp. for 23 years. He previously worked as an engineer for TRW in Cleveland, OH for 15 years. Hugo was an active charter member of Prince of Peace Catholic Church in North Muskegon where he served as past-chairman of the Parish Council, grounds and maintenance, usher, and supervised site preparation for numerous construction projects. He was also a life member of the VFW Post 8846. SURVIVORS include 4 children, Hugo J. Ferrari, Jr. of Muskegon, Richard (Lisa) Ferrari of Rio Rancho, NM, Jackie A. (David) Eberhart of Troy, MI, and Julie A. Ferrari of Muskegon; 4 sisters, Lena (John) Paronish of Akron, OH, Clara (Ernie) Stivanelli of Watkins, PA, Ann (Joe) Husser of Springdale, PA, Alvera Stratton of Baltimore, MD; 4 sisters-in-law, Mary Togni, Ida Pecenak, Rose (Leroy) Schilling, Ann (Nick Decarlo) Bonatesta; and several nieces and nephews. THE FUNERAL LITURGY will be held 11:00 AM Monday, October 27, 2003, at Prince of Peace Catholic Church with the Rev. Fr. Robert A. Hart presiding. INTERMENT will take place at Laketon Township Cemetery. VISITATION with Hugo's family will be 2-4 and 7-9 PM Sunday at The Walburn Chapel, Sytsema Funeral Homes, Inc., 1547 W. Sherman Blvd., (231) 759-8565, where the Rosary will be prayed at 7:30 PM Sunday evening. MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS may be made to Hospice of Muskegon-Oceana or the Building Fund of Prince of Peace Catholic Church.

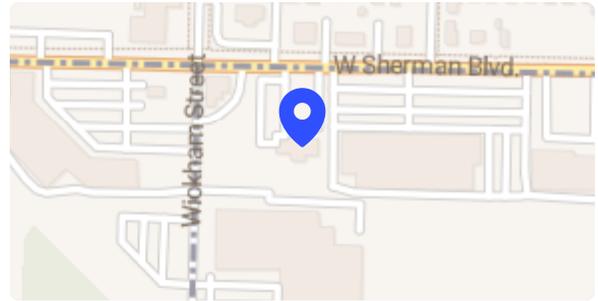


# Events

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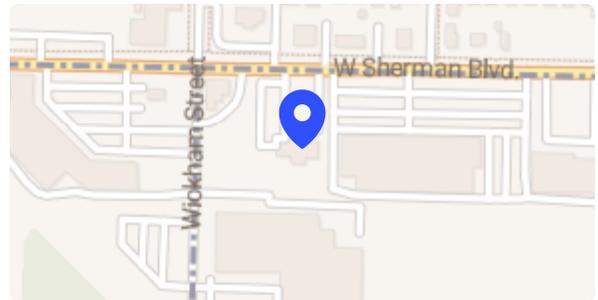
## Visitation

- Sunday**, October 26, 2003
- 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM ET
- Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services - The Walburn Chapel**  
1547 W. Sherman Blvd., Muskegon MI 49441



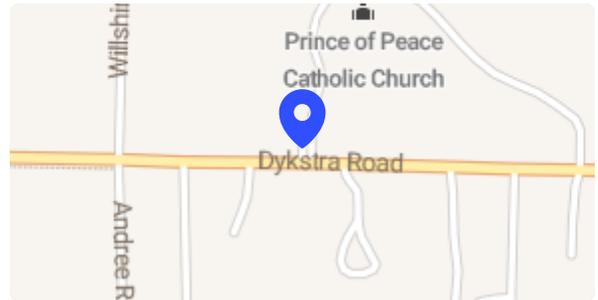
## Visitation

- Sunday**, October 26, 2003
- 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM ET
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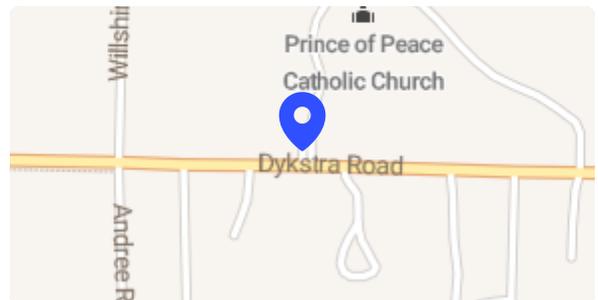
## Visitation

- Monday**, October 27, 2003
- 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET
- Prince Of Peace Catholic Church**  
1110 Dykstra Road, North Muskegon MI 49445



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## Tribute Wall

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**Anonymous** posted:

Hugo and I did not always see eye to eye on some things, but he was a wonderful man with a big heart. We both loved the POP trees and did what we could to protect them. At a meeting several years ago, I mentioned that my garage lights did not work. Since I live on 10 acres of woods it is very dark in the winter months. Hugo showed up at my home one afternoon and fixed the lights. That's the kind of guy (angel) Hugo was. Another thing that will always remind me of Hugo is the code system he set up for the window Christmas lights at the church. As an engineer, he put a code on the light boards so they would go in easily year after year. I teased him about being like my dad who is also an engineer. His clear, block lettering and alpha codes made the job a cinch each year. He'll be missed. Our church, however, has a guardian angel. No doubt about that. Blessings  
Diana L. Miller

October 27 at 11:21 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Julie and family, You're in my thoughts and prayers.  
Janet Bowen-Bates

October 26 at 4:38 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

My deepest sympathies to you Julie and to your family. We will all miss Hugo very much.  
Judy Allen

October 26 at 6:34 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

My deepest sympathies to Julia and her family on Hugo's passing. It was my privilege to know Hugo for over 30 years. I had the deepest respect for him as an engineer and as a family man. May God comfort you in these trying days.  
Les Price

October 26 at 6:19 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

From Margaret O'Keefe  
Margaret O'Keefe

October 25 at 8:55 AM



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Join us in honoring Hugo J. by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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