



Francis "Frank" George Gawron

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Francis "Frank" George Gawron, age 90, passed away Tuesday, July 3, 2018 at the Harbor Hospice Poppen Residence. He was born April 30, 1928 in Muskegon to John and Mary (Olech) Gawron and lived his entire life in the area. On October 16, 1954, he married the former Margaret Mary DeMarse in Muskegon. Frank had worked at Dresser Industries, GTE, Consumers Power, and Walt Plant Appliance. He spent 30 years working as an insurance agent for Allstate and retired in 1989. Frank was a member of St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church where he served as a lector, usher, CCD teacher, communion distributor, served on many committees and sang in the choir. He was also a member of Knights of Columbus Council 706 where he had been Past Grand Knight. Frank was the past president of Catholic Young Adults and Catholic Young Couples. Frank was the past president of the Muskegon Serra Club, past president of the board for Sunset Riders 4H Club. Frank was also integral in the Muskegon Life Underwriters. Frank enjoyed golfing, walking, hiking, bowling and camping with his kids. SURVIVORS include his wife, Margaret Gawron of Muskegon; 7 children, Gregory (Doreen) Gawron of Louisville, KY, Paul Gawron of Oak Island, NC, Michael (Deb) Gawron of North Muskegon, Colleen Harpe of Garland, TX, Bernadette Gawron of Jacksonville, FL, Deborah (Kirk) Grimshaw of Montague, MI, Karen (William) Larson of Twin Lake, MI; 1 son-in-law, Steven Rahrig of South Haven, MI; 15 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren; 1 step-grandchild; and special family friends, Jerry and Elizabeth Powell and their 2 daughters. Frank was preceded in death by 1 son, Mark Joseph Gawron; 1 daughter, Annette Marie Rahrig; his parents; 5 brothers, Joseph John, Julian, Henry and Stanley Gawron; and 2 sisters, Helen Gawron and Angela Opelek. MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL will be celebrated 11:00 AM Tuesday, July 10, 2018 at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church (2929 McCracken St.) with Rev. Fr. Julian Reginato presiding. INTERMENT will take place at St. Mary's Cemetery. VISITATION will be held 5-7 PM Monday at The Lee



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Chapel, 6291 S. Harvey St., (231) 798-1100 with the Scriptural Rosary prayed at 6:30 PM Monday. Visitation will also be held one hour prior to the Mass, 10-11 AM Tuesday at the church. Memorial Contributions may be directed to St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church Completing the Vision Fund, Harbor Hospice Foundation or the Muskegon Catholic Education Foundation. Sign the guestbook online at www.sytsemafh.com



Events

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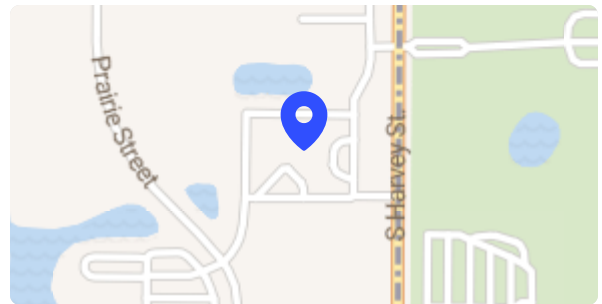
Visitation

Monday, July 9, 2018

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET

Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services - The Lee Chapel

6291 Harvey St., Norton Shores MI 49444



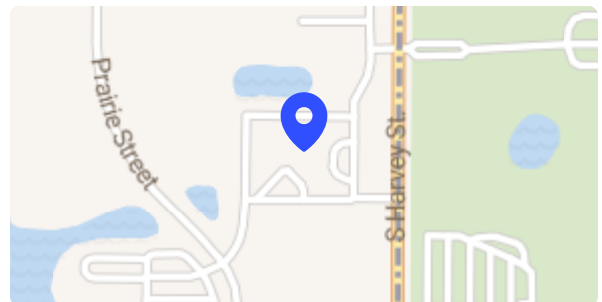
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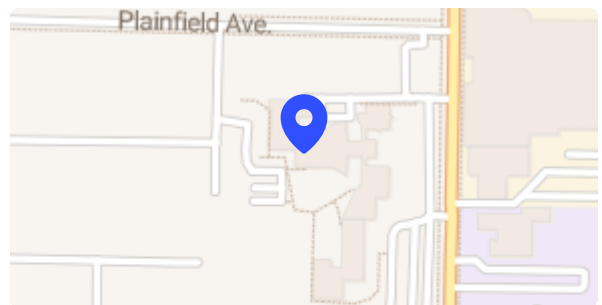
Visitation

Tuesday, July 10, 2018

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET

St. Francis deSales Catholic Church - Marian Chapel

2929 McCracken St., Muskegon MI 49441







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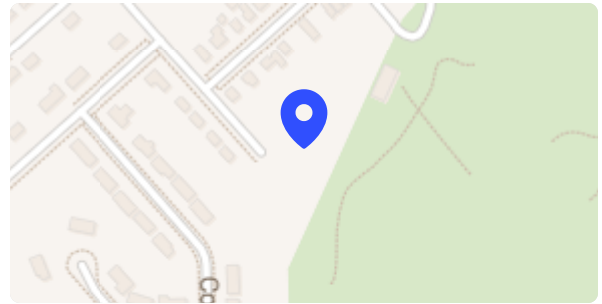
Mass of Christian Burial

 **Tuesday**, July 10, 2018


 11:00 AM ET

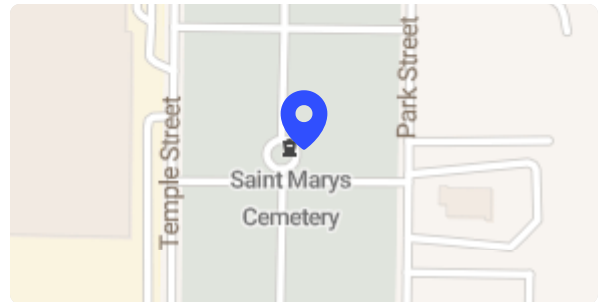
 **St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church - Main Church**

2929 McCracken, Norton Shores MI 49441



Cemetery Details

 **St. Mary's Cemetery**
1915 Park St., Muskegon MI 49441





Tribute Wall

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Fr. Tom Simons posted:

Just learned about Frank's passing. I was blessed to witness his deep love for Christ and the Church and to know his support and encouragement during my years as pastor at St. Francis. God grant him eternal rest and peace and comfort to Margaret and the family. I will gratefully remember him at Mass. Fr. Tom Simons Holy Trinity Parish Comstock Park, MI

July 26 at 10:01 AM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Gawron family.



July 8 at 6:17 PM



Luanne Bartles shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Uncle Frank always had a way of making you feel special. When I think of the word "Gentleman" I think of Uncle Frank, he was not only a gentleman, he was kind, loving, and a great listener. My visit with Aunt Margaret and Uncle Frank last summer was so special to me. Lots of laughs and hugs were shared.



July 8 at 5:04 PM



Marsha Mahynski posted:

RIP Frank.....for the entire Ashcraft Family we extend our deepest condolences to your whole family...Remember him being such a nice man and a very good brother-in-law to two of my favorite people, Jene and Rita DeMarse...God Bless All of You!!! Marsha (Ashcraft) Mahynski

July 8 at 4:03 PM



Matthew Harpe posted:

We came up to Michigan for a wedding, back in 2000 or 2001, I think, and Grandma and Grandpa were going to give us a ride to the airport. As we were leaving the house with our luggage, I held the gate open for Grandpa, and he said, "You're such a nice young man, let me give you a dollar." 😊😂 I replied that that would not be necessary, but Grandpa insisted. I would love to tell this story with my "Grandpa Impression." (Some of y'all might have heard my, "Oh, that's incredible! A husky in Texas!") I miss you, Grandpa. Thanks for all you have done for us! I'll see you again someday. - Matthew Harpe

July 7 at 4:49 PM



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BS

Becky (Abraham) Silva posted:

Uncle Frank had a way of making me (and I suspect, everyone) feel remembered, seen, and loved. He had a huge heart. I'm praying for Aunt Margaret and my Gawron cousins.

July 7 at 8:21 AM

FH

Fr. Ron Hutchinson posted:

I, wish to extend my condolences. Frank was a gentleman and a man of faith. He always had a way of encouraging me and giving me a boost. Blessings, Fr. Ron Hutchinson

July 7 at 5:24 AM

KB

Kim Brush lit a candle in honor of Francis.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord and let the perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. The parish families at St. Francis de Sales Church



July 6 at 1:23 PM



Anonymous sent a Medium Dish Garden to the Gawron family.



July 6 at 5:29 AM



John Larson posted:

Comfort and healing prayers sent from the Larson family

July 6 at 1:59 AM

BN

Bob Nolan posted:

Margaret, so sorry for your loss. Frank was a real gentleman and friend. Always willing to help and cheerful about life. God bless

July 6 at 1:26 AM



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Mary Jane Cook lit a candle in honor of Francis.



July 5 at 1:35 PM



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July 8 at 5:04 PM



Luanne Bartles (DeMarse) with Aunt Margaret and Uncle Frank 2017



Memories only last if you share them

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



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