



## Rose J. Twork

July 16, 1925 - August 6, 2020

Rose J. Twork, age 95, passed peacefully into eternal life on Thursday, August 6, 2020 in Muskegon, MI surrounded by her loving children.

Rose was born in Munising, Michigan on July 16, 1925, to Thomas and Catherine Mikos, and grew up in Ravenna, Michigan, graduating from Ravenna High in 1943, valedictorian of her class. In 1955, Rose married John J. Twork, who was a manager of F.W.Woolworth stores, which took the couple to Chicago, where they became the parents of five children, and on to Danville, IL where they lived for 50 years. There they were active at St. Paul's Catholic Church where they ran the baptism class for 22 years and were involved with RCIA and rosary. In 2013, the couple moved back to Michigan, where they lived in Grand Haven at The Villages at the Pines, and where Rose lived at Grand Pines Assisted Living Facility.

Rose served as a secretary in federal housing in Muskegon prior to marriage and later to the Chief of Fiscal Services at the Veteran's Administration Hospital in Danville for many years.

Rose loved and was so proud of her children and grandchildren and recently, great-grandbabies. Rose's devotion to family and home were evident throughout her life as she encouraged her children in their studies and other endeavors, cooked delicious and healthy meals, sewed, gardened and canned, worked tirelessly to keep house, and baked beautiful Christmas cookies. She enjoyed writing letters, quilting and crocheting, and just about everyone close to her now requires kitchen scrubbies like she made to wash their dishes.

Rose was preceded in death by her devoted and loving husband of 59 1/2 years, John J. Twork, who has been waiting for her to dance again with him in Heaven since January 2015; by her sisters and brothers, Stephen Mikos, Anna (Linol) Mullen, Charlie (Emma) Mikos, John Mikos, and Mary (John) Bialik, all of Muskegon or Ravenna, MI; and by many brothers- and sisters-in-law, aunts and uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews, and friends.

Her memory will live on in her five children and their spouses, all of whom survive: Thomas (Diane) Twork of Grand Haven, MI, Rosemary (Richard) Bryniarski of Homer Glen, IL, Mary (Scott) Davis of Massillon, OH, Catherine (John) Provenza of Mt. Prospect, IL, and John (Kathy) Twork of Bloomington, IL. Rose's unconditional love will live on in the hearts of her twelve grandchildren: Christopher (Lacie) Davis, Rebecca (Mitchell) Davis Corlett, John Henry Bryniarski, John Paul Provenza, John (Kayleigh) Twork, Julie Provenza, Kevin (Richelle) Davis, Michael Davis & Matthew Moore, Michael (Sasha Babicki) Bryniarski, Kristen (Ben Blaney) Twork, Joseph Provenza, and Anna Bryniarski. They, in turn, will pass on the integrity, devotion and love learned from their Gramma Rose to their children: Akaelyn, Emma, Olivia, Colin, Benjamin, Sophia, triplet girls due mid-October, and those yet to come.

A Mass of Christian burial will be held at 12:00 PM Monday, August 17, 2020 at St. Patrick - St. Anthony Catholic Church (920 Fulton St. Grand Haven, MI 49417) with Father Charles Schwartz officiating. Visitation will precede the service beginning at 11:00 AM, with recitation of the rosary at 10:30 AM. (Church capacity is limited and social distancing will be in place. The family respectfully asks that all in attendance wear a mask, and understands that for many the risk of exposure may be too great to be in attendance.) Private burial will be at St. Catherine Cemetery in Ravenna, MI. Contributions in Rose's memory may be made to St. Catherine's Cemetery Cross Fund (PO Box 216, Ravenna, MI 49451), Schlarman Academy (Schlarman.com; 2112 N. Vermilion St. Danville, IL 61832) or to vascular dementia research at CureAlz.Org. Please share a memory or sign the family's online guestbook at [www.sytsemafz.com](http://www.sytsemafz.com).

# Cemetery

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**St. Catherine's Cemetery**  
12236 Heights Ravenna Rd.  
Ravenna, MI, 49451

# Events

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**AUG 17** **Rosary Service** 10:30AM  

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St. Patrick - St. Anthony Catholic Parish Church  
920 Fulton St, Grand Haven, MI, US, 49417

**AUG 17** **Visitation** 11:00AM - 12:00PM  

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**AUG 17** **Mass of Christian Burial** 12:00PM  

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# Comments

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“ A webcast video has been added.



**Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services** - August 18, 2020 at 08:18 PM

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“ Your mother was a lovely lady. I have many wonderful memories of her. Living next door to all of you in Danville enriched my life in so many ways. She will always be in my heart. My condolences to all of you.

**Lynnette Schwarz-Peterson** - August 16, 2020 at 07:47 PM

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“ Rich, Rose and family,

Although I know we will be speaking soon, just had to leave a tribute to your beautiful mother.

She was one of the kindest souls I've ever known — an absolute gift to the world. Remembering those cookies and treats at Christmas and how she and John always went out of their way to make us feel as if we were one of their children at family events. Always looked forward to seeing them both because it felt as if we were coming home.

John, Rose and I shared the gift of the rosary alongside Sally (Rich's mother). In honor of Rose we will recite a rosary at 10:30, Monday in unison with others.

Jill, Joe and Pealer Bryniarski

**Jill Bryniarski** - August 15, 2020 at 03:05 PM

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“ Dear Mom, Grandma, Great-Grandma,  
After years of selfless giving, support and love, may you rest in blessed peace. With  
our love, John & Kathy and John, Kayleigh, Colin & Benjamin



Kathy J. Twork - August 14, 2020 at 03:56 PM

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“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Rose J. Twork.



August 14, 2020 at 03:45 PM

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“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rose J. Twork.



August 14, 2020 at 12:25 PM

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“ Sending Condolences to the Twork family. You were Blessed with a Beautiful Mother both inside and out. We always enjoyed her beautiful cards with meaningful messages inside. There was always a good time when we were together. We loved watching them dance, beautiful dancers. Sure miss them. Praying for God's strength for your family at this time. May God Bless each one. Carolyn Ehlenfeld.



**Carolyn Ehlenfeld** - August 13, 2020 at 12:43 PM

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“ My condolences to the entire family on the loss of Rose. I read the summary of her life in the Commercial News Newspaper back here in Danville Illinois, where the family lived for 50 years. My late youngest brother, Mark, was a close friend of Rose's oldest son, Tom. Tom, Mark and another close friend of theirs, Joe Rainboth, met in our town's local High School, Schlarman High School, and maintained their amigo status through all the years. Rose led a successful and ambitious life with her family, and her partner in marriage, John. She had a lot to be proud of over a long life devoted to her family and others. It's good and encouraging to read the details of a life so happily and fruitfully lived. May Rose rest in peace. And may her Memory be a Blessing. John Shields

**John Shields** - August 13, 2020 at 11:51 AM

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“ Sandra J Talbot lit a candle in memory of Rose J. Twork



**sandra j talbot** - August 13, 2020 at 04:35 AM

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“ Rose was such a lovely lady! She and John were wonderful neighbors to us in Stonegate in Danville, Illinois. May your beautiful memories of your Mother bring you all peace and comfort.  
With our deepest sympathy ~ Tom & Carol Coe

**Carol Coe** - August 12, 2020 at 10:46 PM

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“ Mary Flynn lit a candle in memory of Rose J. Twork



**Mary Flynn** - August 12, 2020 at 07:34 PM

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“ We always enjoyed our visits when we were going that way to stop in. We sat and played cards, and just talked. Great memories of two great people.

**Alice Dover** - August 12, 2020 at 03:18 PM

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“ John Gatiss lit a candle in memory of Rose J. Twork



**John Gatiss** - August 12, 2020 at 01:10 PM

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“ I will always remember your sweet mother and the many visits to your home. There were always homemade goodies from cookies to bread. I had my first spaghetti squash at the Tworks, and was amazed I actually liked it. I can still hear her voice saying “forever more “ in conversations. I am so very sorry for your loss. I know she will be missed. Terry Williamson Shadley

**Terry Shadley** - August 11, 2020 at 10:54 PM

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“ Dear Tom and Diane and all of Rose's family,

It was a delight knowing your mom and having a number of conversations with her when she was living in the apartment next door to my mom at Grand Pines 3 years ago. What a sweet lady. Our sympathies go out to you for your loss. God's blessings to you all.

Ben and Karen Ennenga

**Ben and Karen Ennenga** - August 11, 2020 at 09:41 PM

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“ Robin Mattson lit a candle in memory of Rose J. Twork



**Robin mattson** - August 11, 2020 at 05:39 PM



“ I loved summers with you. I will never forget Aunt

**Robin mattson** - August 11, 2020 at 05:43 PM



“ Rosemary - we have both suffered some serious losses but enjoyed loving parents. Since I have known you from first grade we had some good times at both my home and yours. I am sorry I could not be there for you due to this virus but you certainly had a beautiful day here in Michigan. Let's get together for that toast soon! All my love

Dawn Martinek Nicoson

**Dawn nicodon** - August 18, 2020 at 12:27 PM