



## Attilia Spadoni

September 24, 1933 - February 1, 2025

Attilia “Lia” Spadoni, age 91, of Dearborn Heights, passed away peacefully on February 1, 2025.

Lia was born on September 24, 1933, in Cremona, Italy, where she spent her early years living until the onset of World War 2. During the war Lia lived in a Casina (cottage) in the countryside with other families to avoid the allied bombing in the city. After the war, Lia took care of her sick mother who passed away in 1948 after a prolonged illness. Lia took care of many people during this time, her mother, father, and mother’s unwed brother. She was a caretaker her entire life for countless others. She was the “second” mother to her sister’s five boys as they were growing up and loved them as if they were her own (Antonio, Ermes, Mauricio, Vladi, and Davide).

As she cared for her father and mother’s brother, Lia worked as a nurse’s aide in a hospital. During this time, she was also taking courses to become an X-ray technician traveling to Brescia from Cremona on a regular basis to complete her studies. Graduating as an X-ray technician by 1964. Shortly after her father passed away, she moved into an apartment on her own, which she was immensely proud of.

On November 9, 1964, she married her husband, Roberto Spadoni. Together they moved to Milano for work and Lia became a homemaker giving birth to

her children while living in a big city. In May of 1970, Lia and her family immigrated to the United States to pursue a better life.

A woman of deep kindness and generosity, Lia was a faithful member of the Catholic Church. She had a great passion for sewing and quilting, lovingly creating countless sweaters, scarves, and quilted blankets for family and friends, a true expression of her generosity and warmth.

Food was a central part of Lia's life, she was an expert cook of Italian cuisine but also experimented with other cultural foods, always with an Italian flair. To Lia, preparing food for others was an expression of love.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Roberto, her parents, Giuseppe and Adelaide Locatelli, and her sister, Esilde Cadoria. She is survived by her daughter, Mirella Spadoni (John Coleman); her son, Stefano Spadoni (Ginny); and her cherished grandsons, Nicolas and Luca Spadoni.

Memorial contributions may 'to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen (checks payable to Capuchin Province of St. Joseph), 1820 Mt. Elliott Street, Detroit, MI 48207, or online at [cskdetroit.org](http://cskdetroit.org).

Lia embodied the words of Mother Teresa: "Spread love everywhere you go. Let no one ever come to you without leaving happier." She will be dearly missed and forever remembered.

Interment St. Hedwig Cemetery, Dearborn Heights.

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# Cemetery Details

**St. Hedwig Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

FEB 7. 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Plymouth  
46401 Ann Arbor Road West  
Plymouth, MI 48170  
(734) 459-2250  
plymouth@vermeulenh.com

### Funeral Service

FEB 8. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Plymouth  
46401 Ann Arbor Road West  
Plymouth, MI 48170  
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# Tribute Wall

BC

“ On behalf of the Capuchin friars, I offer prayers and condolences to the Spadoni family upon their loss. The friars are truly humbled by the memorial donations. May the Lord give you his peace and may Attilia rest in peace.



Br. Brenton Ertel OFM, Capuchin - February 08, 2025 at 07:23 AM

TF

“ The McCaig Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Attilia Spadoni.



The McCaig Family - February 07, 2025 at 11:13 PM



“ Forever Our Angel Bouquet was purchased for the family of Attilia Spadoni.



February 07, 2025 at 08:49 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Attilia Spadoni.

February 07, 2025 at 08:49 AM

NS

“ I can't name a bring up a specific memory, as there are far to many, however, I will always recall how my brother and I got to sit with her on her swing chair in the backyard, and how we were able to have dinner in her dining room on Christmas eve's. My Nonna, was a very loving and thoughtful woman, who always held her children and grandchildren in her heart, I will miss her dearly.

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**Nicolas Spadoni** - February 06, 2025 at 10:07 PM

GS

“ Having Lia as my mother-in-law, was like hitting the lottery. She was so kind, thoughtful and loving. She always put her family first and loved us dearly. I used to travel a lot for work when the kids were little. That often meant that Stefano would go to his parents house for dinner in the evenings after work with the boys. I remember her asking me once when I was going out of town again for work. I know she loved me, but she was really wondering when she could have the boys over to her house again for dinner. I could not have asked for a better Nonna for them. I will miss Lia dearly, however, I know that I have another Angel in heaven watching over us. Love, Ginny

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**Ginny Spadoni** - February 06, 2025 at 07:52 PM

LS

“ My favorite memories of my nonna were the times she would tell me stories from her youth in Italy, sharing panettone with her on Christmas, and when her and my nonno would come over for dinner because those were always the best dinners.

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**Luca Spadoni** - February 06, 2025 at 05:42 PM

TA

“ Terri & Dave Agius purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Attilia Spadoni.



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**Terri & Dave Agius** - February 06, 2025 at 12:59 PM

LF

“ Love, The Skinner Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Attilia Spadoni.



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**Love, The Skinner Family** - February 06, 2025 at 09:06 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Attilia Spadoni.



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February 05, 2025 at 11:21 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Attilia Spadoni.

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February 05, 2025 at 11:21 AM

RG

“ *Ricky Nico Paul Gerald purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Attilia Spadoni.*



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**Ricky Nico Paul Gerald** - February 05, 2025 at 06:40 AM

RG

“ *Ricky Nico Paul Gerald planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Attilia Spadoni.*

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**Ricky Nico Paul Gerald** - February 05, 2025 at 06:40 AM