



## Gerard Joseph Mellnick

October 29, 1964 - December 3, 2023

Mellnick, Gerard Joseph. December 3, 2023, age 59 of Farmington Hills. Dearly beloved son of Thomas Sr. and Joan. Dear grandson of the late Joseph and Mary Zammit, and the late Frank and Helen Mellnick. Loving brother of Thomas Jr. (Lynn) and Michele (Mark) Pietron and the late Joseph and Thomas Gerard. Dearest uncle of Cassie and Michael Pietron. Survived by his extended family and many friends.

Gerard was a certified public accountant (CPA) who excelled in his distinguished career which included positions at local and international public accounting firms, being the Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer of the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan, and a Professor at Schoolcraft College where he taught accounting and business courses. Gerard was especially proud of the impact that he had on thousands of students over his teaching career and he was awarded numerous awards by the College including the Presidents Award, the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development (NISOD) Excellence Award, and Faculty Emeritus Status, just to name a few, due to his commitment and dedication to his students and to Schoolcraft College.

Gerard was a humble man of deep Catholic faith with a generous heart and a strong devotion to his family. We know that Gerard is in Heaven and receiving his eternal gifts after many years of illness.

Visitation Tuesday, December 12th 3-8 PM at Vermeulen Sajewski Funeral Home, 980 N. Newburgh Road (between Ford Road and Cherry Hill) Westland. Rosary at 7 PM. In state Wednesday, December 13th 9 AM until the 9:30 AM Funeral Mass at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. Interment at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield, Michigan.

In lieu of flowers the family is requesting memorial donations be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mount Elliot Street, Detroit, MI 48207 or the Detroit Goodfellows, P.O. Box 44444, Detroit, MI 48244. To share a memory, please use the Share a Memory tab on this web page.

# Cemetery Details

## Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

25800 W. Ten Mile Road  
Southfield, MI 48033

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 12. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Westland  
980 North Newburgh Road  
Westland, MI 48185  
(734) 326-1300  
westland@vermeulenh.com

*Rosary 7 PM.*

## Funeral Mass

DEC 13. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Aidan Catholic Church  
17500 Farmington Road  
Livonia, MI 48152

*In state 9 AM*

# Tribute Wall



“ Barbara A. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gerard Joseph Mellnick.

Barbara A. - December 12, 2023 at 05:08 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Gerard Joseph Mellnick.



December 11, 2023 at 08:20 AM



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

December 11, 2023 at 07:32 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Gerard Joseph Mellnick.



December 11, 2023 at 05:59 AM

ST

“ On behalf of the Zammit Family, Steven, Dennis, Christopher and Michael

*Our deepest condolences and support during this difficult time. Wishing peace, comfort, and eternal love to the Mellnick Family. Our cousin Gerard had many amazing accomplishments that few people could do even under the best of circumstances. Gerard was upbeat and kind to everyone even in difficult times. He was truly a courageous man and will be greatly missed.*

*As per the Mellnick's request, we are making a donation to the capuchin soup kitchen in his name.*

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**Steven** - December 11, 2023 at 02:44 AM

MH

“ I wanted to say " Thank You" to Gerard and how he engaged with the students and the other faculty to be successful. When I started in the distance learning program at Schoolcraft College, he was my mentor for the first online firefighting class I wrote and taught. I have used the knowledge he has given me to make the students and other faculty successful in either taking or teaching classes. You should be proud of the achievements that he had in life, especially in college. We always wonder if we will leave a legacy in life; he has done that for generations to come in the world of education.

*My prayers and thoughts are with all of those who have been involved in Gerard's life as you go through the passing of this great person.*

*My regards,*

*Michael R. Harper AS, BS  
Adjunct Professor and Fire Instructor, Fire Technology Program  
Schoolcraft College*

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**Michael R Harper** - December 10, 2023 at 11:13 PM

CB

“ *Cousin Joyce and Randy Batterton purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Gerard Joseph Mellnick.*



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**Cousin Joyce and Randy Batterton** - December 10, 2023 at 05:08 PM

MF

“ *Mitchell and Annette Lyle and family purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Gerard Joseph Mellnick.*



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**Mitchell and Annette Lyle and family** - December 10, 2023 at 02:57 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gerard Joseph Mellnick.*



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December 09, 2023 at 06:53 PM

DB

“ *Diane, Bret and Blake Balsara purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Gerard Joseph Mellnick.*



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**Diane, Bret and Blake Balsara** - December 09, 2023 at 12:06 PM

DB

“ *Diane, Bret and Blake Balsara planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gerard Joseph Mellnick.*

**Diane, Bret and Blake Balsara** - December 09, 2023 at 12:06 PM

BC

“ *On behalf of the Capuchin brothers I offer my deepest sympathies on the passing of Gerard. It is truly humbling to receive memorial donations in honor of his life. Please be assured of the brother's prayers for the entire Mellnick family during this great time of grief. May perpetual light shine upon Gerard.*

**Br Nick Blattner OFM Capuchin** - December 08, 2023 at 12:59 PM

GF

*Jerry you knew my daughter's Janiece and Janette. Willie and you installed phone lines in our home in the 80's. I you took my daughter to Kathy's Wedding! You were a wonderful person and I appreciated when you attended my husband funeral mass at St Thomas Aquinas. I'll be praying for your family and you!*

**Gloria Flores** - December 08, 2023 at 05:17 PM

RK

“ *Rick Knight purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Gerard Joseph Mellnick.*



**Rick Knight** - December 08, 2023 at 12:52 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gerard Joseph Mellnick.*



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December 07, 2023 at 10:30 PM



“ *So sorry to loose my cousin Gerard. My heart goes out to all of my family. May GOD give you all peace that passes all understanding and may GOD keep you close to HIM. Gerard will be missed but we will someday join him in Heaven where there is no suffering. Keep the precious memories of Gerard close to your heart until you reunite. With Love Always,  
Janine*



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**Janine Delmotte (Zammit)** - December 07, 2023 at 06:45 PM