



## Gertrude Palka

April 20, 1935 - November 6, 2023

Gertrude Palka of Puryear, TN passed on November 6, 2023, at the age 88. Beloved wife of the late Walter. Loving mother of Walt (Debbie), Paul and Steve Palka. Proud grandmother of Megan (Jeremiah) Panich, Melissa Palka and Daniel (Emma) Palka. Great grandmother of Gideon Panich and Sawyer Palka. Gertrude was born in Pikeville, KY and moved to Michigan where she found a job at White Castle and met her love, Walter. They married and celebrated 50 years together before he passed in early 2011. They raised their children in Belleville, MI and when Walter retired, they moved and made their new home in Puryear, TN. Gertrude loved sewing and quilting, shopping, gardening and playing Rummy. Before She-Sheds were a thing, Gertie enjoyed her own she-shed that housed a quilting machine and she made the family many quilts. Visitation on Thursday, November 9th from 2 PM until the 7 PM Prayer Service at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 980 N. Newburgh Road (between Ford Road and Cherry Hill) Westland. Chapel Service on Saturday, November 11th at Noon at Murray Memorial Gardens, 3223 Hwy. 641 N. Murray, Kentucky 42071. To share a memory, please use the Share a Memory tab on this web page.

# Cemetery Details

## Murray Memorial Gardens

3223 Hwy 641 N.  
Murray, KY 42071

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 9. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Westland  
980 North Newburgh Road  
Westland, MI 48185  
(734) 326-1300  
[westland@vermeulenfh.com](mailto:westland@vermeulenfh.com)

## Prayer Service

NOV 9. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Westland  
980 North Newburgh Road  
Westland, MI 48185  
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## Chapel Service

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NOV 11. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Murray Memorial Gardens  
3223 Hwy 641 N.  
Murray, KY 42071

# Tribute Wall



“ Gertrude Palka

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ Frank, Barb (Chenoweth), Joe Polka planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gertrude Palka.

Frank, Barb (Chenoweth), Joe Polka - November 09, 2023 at 05:20 AM



“ Frank, Barb (Chenoweth), Joe Polka purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Gertrude Palka.



Frank, Barb (Chenoweth), Joe Polka - November 09, 2023 at 05:20 AM



“ Love John and Marybeth Steffes planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gertrude Palka.

Love John and Marybeth Steffes - November 08, 2023 at 08:24 PM

LS

“ Love John and Marybeth Steffes purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Gertrude Palka.



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**Love John and Marybeth Steffes** - November 08, 2023 at 08:24 PM

LA

“ Linda A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gertrude Palka.

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**Linda A.** - November 08, 2023 at 01:16 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gertrude Palka.



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November 08, 2023 at 01:14 PM

NJ

“ Nazir J. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gertrude Palka.

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**Nazir J.** - November 08, 2023 at 10:32 AM

NJ

“ Nazir J. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Gertrude Palka.



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**Nazir J.** - November 08, 2023 at 10:32 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Gertrude Palka.



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November 08, 2023 at 09:20 AM

TK

“ From: The Szuma Klan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gertrude Palka.

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**The Szuma Klan** - November 08, 2023 at 09:20 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Gertrude Palka.



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November 08, 2023 at 08:22 AM