

Dr. Hans Raj Taneja

June 20, 1942 - November 18, 2025

Celebrating the Life of Dr. Hans Raj Taneja

Dr. Hans Raj Taneja, who never met a dull moment he couldn't brighten, took his final bow on November 18, 2025, at the age of 83 in Livonia. Born with a heart far too big for this world, Hans lived life leading with kindness, curiosity, and a dedication to being the best man he could be.

Hans left behind a legacy of laughter, dad jokes, questionable dance moves, bewildering intelligence, and a gentleness that left its imprint on countless hearts. He consumed knowledge the way others consume dessert—enthusiastically and without restraint—and carried a deep, nostalgic love for Hindi films that could make him misty-eyed at any moment.

Known affectionately as a walking encyclopedia, Hans always had the answer to everything—so the rest of us rarely had to crack open a book. His guidance came through his endless stories, mindful perspective, and a talent for turning even the simplest moment into something meaningful. And of course, he was the life of the party, armed with unforgettable tales and famously strong pours.

When not spreading joy, Hans could be found practicing yoga, exercising, meditating, or spending cherished time with his loved ones—his true source of energy and purpose.

Hans is the loving husband of Shakuntla; beloved father of Aditi (Bart) Passalacqua and Erik Taneja; and the proud grandfather of Mina and Elara, who were the sparkle in his eyes. He is survived by his brothers Prem Taneja, Harish Taneja, and Ashok (Anju) Taneja, and his sister Pushpa Aurora. He was predeceased by his parents, Ram Chand Taneja and Umravati Diwan.

A Puja/Antim Sanskar service will be held on Friday, November 21st, from 10 AM – 12 PM at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Road West, Plymouth, with cremation to follow at 1:00 PM.

To share a memory, please visit the Share a Memory section on this webpage.

Hans, thank you for reminding us that life is richer when lived with heart, humor, curiosity, and just a little bit of mischief. We will miss your stories, your wisdom, your warmth, and the light you brought into every room you entered.

Previous Events

Puja and Antim Sanskar Service

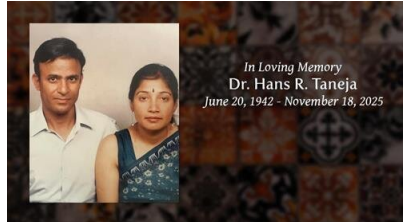
NOV **21**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Vermeulen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dr. Hans Raj Taneja



Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home - November 21, 2025 at 08:47 AM



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GOD BLESS !
MISS HIM.....HE WAS YOUNGER TO ME...
GOD BESTOW A PLACE IN HIS ABODE...PREM TANEJA

Prem Prakash Taneja - November 21, 2025 at 11:01 AM

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He was so cheerful and loving and lively person will miss him may his soul rest in peace and attain peace and salvation Goodbye Hans mama will miss
Sarika

sarika - November 21, 2025 at 01:16 PM

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Very sad to hear about Hans bhai saheb. May God rest his soul in peace & give all the strength to family members to bear this irreparable loss .

*🙏 Om Shanti 🙏
Kant & Sharda*

Sharda Taneja - November 22, 2025 at 06:07 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. Hans Raj Taneja.*



November 20, 2025 at 09:55 AM