



Joseph James Michalek

July 24, 1924 - February 15, 2021

Michalek, Joseph James, February 15, 2021 age 96 of Harsens Island. Beloved husband of the late Marie and Geraldine. Dear father of Marilyn (Wes) Klocke, James (Jane) Michalek, and Carilyn (Kenneth) Wolski. Proud grandfather of David (Laurie) Vihonsky, Christopher (Sara Porzondek) Vihonsky, Joseph (Katie) Michalek, John (Amy) Michalek, Steven Wolski, Marie (Fiancé Jeffrey Pfeifer) Wolski, the late George V. Vihonsky, and great grandfather of Julie, Emily, Annabelle, Elizabeth, Joseph, Jacob, and Julia. Loving brother of Arthur. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Visitation Friday, February 19th 1 PM until the 6 PM Funeral Service at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 980 Newburgh Road (between Ford Road and Cherry Hill) Westland. Interment Glen Eden Memorial Park, Livonia. Memorial contributions may be made to Sokol Detroit, 23600 West Warren, Dearborn Heights, MI 48127. To share a memory, please use the Share a Memory tab on this webpage.

Cemetery Details

Glen Eden Memorial Park

35667 Eight Mile Road
Livonia, MI 48152

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 19. 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

FEB 19. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph James Michalek*

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *My farthe, Victor (Joe) Fabrizio was a very good friend of Mr. Michalek. He and my mother, Marion, used to do things with him and Marie many many years ago. They had good times together! I guess they were friends from high school or maybe after the war. My dad only passed a couple years ago and my Mom just died this past year. Our condolences.*

Philip Fabrizio

Philip Fabrizio - February 19, 2021 at 04:16 PM



“ *My sympathy and prayers to the Michalek family. I have many fond memories of Joe. He was a special friend. Wish I could be there with you in this time of sorrow.
My love to all, Virginia Kosko*

Virginia Kosko - February 19, 2021 at 09:03 AM



“ *Dear Marilyn, Carolyn, and Jim, I and Sis and Marty will remember your father as he took us ice fishing and going for an ice cream afterwards. Our families had such good times together as youngsters. Please know we will be thinking of you all. Our prayers are with you three.*

Caryn LESLEY - February 18, 2021 at 11:02 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss Marilyn, Wes, and family. It's always so hard losing a loved one. We just have to let go for just a little while, so he can be at Peace with God and be healed again. He's back home now, not alone but happy and healthy again with his other family. He will be with God, preparing a place for the rest of his family when the time is right. We all know how your Dad loved making things with his hands, Dancing, boating, hunting, and just being with his family. We really never knew your Dad that well, just heard wonderful things about him. Remember it's only so long for just a little while, and you will be together again... All our Love Jo, Jim, Lorie, Glynn, Kayla, Jason, Kelly, and Hunter

JoAnn White - February 18, 2021 at 09:04 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Joseph James Michalek.



February 18, 2021 at 03:47 PM

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“ Remember Joe at all the festivals buying up kolache, dumplings and jeternice. And of course our dancing to the bands. Rest in Peace dear Joe

Maryann Fiordelis - February 18, 2021 at 02:25 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Joseph James Michalek.*



February 18, 2021 at 01:03 PM



“ *The entire Eisenstein Family offers our most sincere sympathy . Those early days will never be forgotten as the many pleasant times we had together as young families. Joe served as an example to all of us as he became a true companion to our father. May your memories be your source of comfort. I will always think of Joe with fondness.*
Marty Eisenstein

martin eisenstein - February 18, 2021 at 10:20 AM



“ *Goodbye for now Grandpa. I will see you again in Heaven and our adventures will continue on! You were a great mentor to me in addition to being a loving grandfather and great-grandfather to my children. You always encouraged me at each new step and challenge I faced. I am forever grateful for you and love you very much! Your legacy lives on through your family and friends. I am so proud to have had you in my life.*

Joseph Michalek - February 18, 2021 at 09:37 AM

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“ Marilyn and your entire family, we are so sorry for your loss, such a wonderful person and so so many great memories! Iconic, what a great life, so blessed for so many years with him! There isn't many Sokol memories with out seeing Joe there. Nazdar Teresa Simonds

Teresa D Simonds - February 18, 2021 at 07:18 AM

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“ I'm happy to have known such a great man and have had the opportunity to take care of him and meet his family. He will be missed by all of us here at Brookdale. Thanks so much to the family for trusting in us to care for him and for all of your kind words. We all appreciate it very much.



Crystal Tucker - February 17, 2021 at 04:50 PM

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“ NOSTROVIA GRANDPA! LOVE AND MISS!

Dave Vihonsky - February 16, 2021 at 09:04 PM