



Norman John Feliks

November 22, 1926 - November 13, 2016

Feliks, Norman J. November 13, 2016 age 89 of Garden City. Loving husband of the late Mable.

Beloved father of son John Feliks, daughters Lora (Joe) Ostach, Felicia (David) Lewis, stepsons George (Julie) Yelick, Chris (Karen) Yelick, stepdaughters Theresa Lenhoff, and Helen (Jeff) Dundas. Survived by sister Frances Geyer. Proud Grandpa of 13 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren. Visitation Tuesday 10 AM at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 W Ann Arbor Road (btwn Sheldon and Beck), Plymouth until services at 12:30 PM. Entombment Cadillac Memorial Gardens West.

Memorials may be made to the Disabled American Veterans Memorial Program, P.O. Box 14301, Cincinnati, Ohio 45250-0301. To share a memory or leave a message of condolence, please use the share a Memory Tab on the web page.

Cemetery Details

Cadillac Memorial Gardens, West

34224 Ford Road
Westland, MI 48185

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 15. 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Plymouth
46401 Ann Arbor Road West
Plymouth, MI 48170
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Funeral Service

NOV 15. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Norman John Feliks*

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *It was really nice to hear all the comments from his close friends and family. Unfortunately, I never got to meet him, but I am his nephew John Jacob Feliks. I've heard a lot of good things about him and I hope his memory will live on and I regret not reaching out earlier. I hope his friends and family will see this post. Sincerely, John Jacob Feliks from Arkansas*

John J. Feliks - May 14, 2022 at 01:38 PM



“ *I worked with Norm in the Roundhouse at Greenfield Village. It was delightful to watch him interact with the children, especially the littlest ones. It was obvious that he was able to make each of them feel that they and their questions were the most important thing in the world at that moment. You could tell that he was enjoying it just as much as they were, if not more!*
I would also see him at Susquehanna Train Station Platform when he was doing relief shifts for the platforms. I was always happy to tell him not to worry about my relief (I only had 20 minutes of shift to go after he left) and to just relax, stay on the train and enjoy the ride. He always seemed to appreciate it.
I also remember just how proud he was of being elected the Admiral of the Detroit Yacht Club one year. He would just beam when telling you about it and it was fun to share his joy.
I've remembered him fondly on occasion since he left. I'm sorry that I missed the visitation. My prayers are with him and his family.
Suzanne D.

Suzanne Duke - November 26, 2016 at 01:46 PM

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“ *I worked with Norm at Greenfield Village and I will never forget him. He was a pleasure to be around, he had some great stories, and he was one of the truly nice people you enjoy getting to know. We were sad to hear of his passing, but we know God is welcoming him home. John E.*

John - November 21, 2016 at 07:42 AM

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*I was sad to learn of Norm's passing. He was a wonderful father-in-law. (Sadly, we'd lost contact since back when John and I were still together.) But i have many special memories of "Dad Norm" and our many shared family outings & celebrations. This time of year, especially, i remember how much he enjoyed our festive holiday gatherings... but also i recall family summertime boat-trips on the Detroit River. Such a generous & capable captain he was... <well yeah, *duh!*>-- He was, after all, Commodore-emeritus of the St. Clair Yacht Club! (1984); and through the years, he was especially involved in their "Predicted Log" Lake St. Clair navigation contests (serving as fleet captain, and winning many prizes himself, in these prestigious competitions-- including as champion representative of the club in regional competitions, such as the Sallan Competition in western Lake Erie, and representing the region in the North American competition of San Francisco). I also remember how dapper & graceful he was on the dance-floor at wedding receptions(!) ... as well as being the ever upbeat car-companion & conversationalist on family day-trips, like Frankenmuth, and Greenfield Village-- (where, btw, he was so thrilled to have been hired *post-retirement*). Norm had a wonderful curiosity and keen interest in local history, as well as pride in *each & every* family member (of a *large*, extended & blended family). I'll never forget how when i received an honor at U-M Mechanical Engineering (where i was then working as a graphic designer & illustrator) not only did he join the family in attending my awards ceremony, but proudly insisted on a tour of my office afterward. With his background (also having done technical illustration, in his career as a top-notch "tool & die guy" in Detroit's "Big Three"), he really wanted to *see* where the latest research was happening & how things had changed with our *new computer software*. Detroit has lost one of its finest first-generation Polish-Americans this year. Thanks for contributing a lifetime of your heart & soul and excellence to our community & our country, Norm. You were *the real deal*, and a vital part of making good things happen, these many decades in The Motor City. You will be deeply missed. Loving condolences to John and sisters Lora & Phebe (& husbands, Joe; David), Aunt Fran, and all of Norm & Mable's beautiful, devoted family.*

Shekinah Errington - December 26, 2016 at 05:22 PM

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