



## Rev. Bernard Louis Pilarski

August 13, 1932 - May 4, 2019

Pilarski, Rev. Bernard Louis, May 4, 2019, age 86 of Canton. Beloved son of the late Piotr and the late Paulina Pilarski. Loving brother of Celina Foltyn, Elzbieta Witek, Marysia Pilarski. Preceded in death by siblings; Jozef Pilarski, Stanislaw Pilarski, Rozalia Przykuta, Teresa Mateja and Malgorzata Treffon. Dear close friend of the Cady family and the Chronowski Family. Rev. Pilarski studied under Pope John Paul II while Pope John Paul II was a professor in Krakow, Poland. Visitation Thursday, May 16th 3-8 PM at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 980 N. Newburgh Road (between Ford Road and Cherry Hill) Westland. Rosary 7 PM. In state Friday, May 17th, 10 AM until the 11 AM Funeral Mass at St. Richard Catholic Church, 35851 Cherry Hill Road, Westland. Interment St. Hedwig Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Michigan Parkinson Foundation, 30400 Telegraph Road Suite 150, Bingham Farms, MI 48025-5819. To share a memory, please use the Share a Memory tab on this web page.

# Cemetery Details

## St Hedwig Cemetery

23755 Military Road  
Dearborn Heights, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 16. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Rosary

MAY 16. 7:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

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## **In state**

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**MAY 17.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Richard Catholic Church  
35851 Cherry Hill Road  
Westland, MI 48186

## **Funeral Mass**

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**MAY 17.** 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Richard Catholic Church  
35851 Cherry Hill Road  
Westland, MI 48186

# Tribute Wall



“ *Rev. Bernard Louis Pilarski*

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *RiP Father, I had the pleasure of working with him at Annapolis Hospital, now Beaumont Wayne. We had some good conversations from two different religious backgrounds. A good man who showed Gods love to those who were ill or suffering a loss.*  
*Marcia Filek*

**Marcia Filek** - May 05, 2020 at 06:37 PM



“ *I first met Father Bernard at St. Richard. I most enjoyed his masses in the chapel at Annapolis hospital. We used to chat while putting away the mass booklets after mass. He was a wonderful priest and gave great homilies. Rest in peace in heaven, Father.*

**Cindy Criteser** - May 17, 2019 at 01:30 PM



“ *In loving memory - we will miss you.*  
*Your niece Alaxandra, nephew Andreas and*  
*sister in law Krystyna*  
*Darmstadt, Germany*



**Alexandra Pilarski** - May 13, 2019 at 04:49 AM

TF

“ *The Chronowski Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Rev. Bernard Louis Pilarski.*



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**The Chronowski Family** - May 12, 2019 at 01:39 PM

MD

“ *Where do i begin on all the wonderful qualities of Father Pilarski for their are so many I was introduced to him by Joan 30 some yrs ago I was Joan and Christinas hairdresser at the time and i became Fathers as well What a wonderful friendship that developed sharp intelligent mind and boy did he know his history i learned so much from him with his incredible wisdom especially on part of my polish heritage His kind heart and great sense of humor always had me laughing when he told me his jokes Enjoyed are discussions on politics He married my daughter at the church she was also baptized at Saint Richards He also drove to Holly MI Military cemetery to do the eulogy for my children's grandfather he was so so kind When my mother got so sick my sister moved her into her home and between my sisters brother in law and myself we all took turns taking care of her and Father would take the time every week and gave her communion and than her last rights Our family just LOVED him I really enjoyed listening to his stories growing up in Germany He came to my reception in my sisters backyard when i remarried even though it was raining cats and dogs Funny thing he was only at the reception 5 min the rain stopped the sun came out a beautiful rainbow came across the sky mmmm what does that tell you? With a heavy heart and many tears i'm going miss you so much my friend you were a true ANGEL while you were on this earth doing GODS work A heartfelt sympathy to the family of father witch includes his second family Joan and her family MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL . TINA CHRZANOWSKI DUGENER*

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**margaret dugener** - May 10, 2019 at 06:36 PM

LN

“ *Heaven just got better! May the Angels greet you with open wings as you take your well earned seat at the right hand of our Lord. Thank you for all you’ve done for our Family, as well as all the other families whose lives you’ve touched. We miss you already! We love you Fr. Pilarski.*



*Love: Laura, David, and Angel Dominic Noonan; John “Pepsi” and Angel Mary Pepera; and Angel Aunt Loretta Brandt*

XOXOX

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**Laura Noonan** - May 08, 2019 at 09:46 AM

JC

“ *Joan Cady lit a candle in memory of Rev. Bernard Louis Pilarski*



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**Joan Cady** - May 08, 2019 at 07:22 AM

JC

*Rest in peace my dearest beloved friend and companion loved by everyone missed by so many.*

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**Joan Cady** - May 08, 2019 at 07:30 AM

RS

*May the Holy Spirit comfort all those who loved Fr. Pilarski as my family and I did. Ray Sypniewski*

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**Raymond Sypniewski** - May 14, 2019 at 10:38 AM

NZ

*Boy did he love his red IBM typewriter!!! I first met Fr. Pilarski a couple of years ago when he brought his typewriter in for repair at my work. He became a true friend once he found out I was Polish. He told me what my maiden name meant and also my married name. Always wanted to talk about Poland and all it's history which I enjoyed. I never had any grandparents to learn this from. I will miss his phone calls and visits every once in a while at work to check and see how I was doing or to bring me a treat. "Rest in Peace" Father Pilarski*

*Nancy (Smolen) Zilka*

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**Nancy Zilka** - May 15, 2019 at 12:58 PM

DC

*My boys and I appreciated his devotion to serving Christian Catholic people right up to the end of his life. We attend St. Mary and he would con-celebrate there. I am a new Catholic and bring my teen boys to church. Father Pilarski's quiet devotion, steadfastness to the end have made a big impression on all three of us.*

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**deborah j crocker** - May 25, 2019 at 07:24 PM