



## Steven James Erno

May 1, 1962 - August 29, 2024

Erno, Steven James, age of 62 of Novi, August 29, 2024. Born in Port Huron, Michigan. Son of Elmer C. "Al" and Rachel D. (Phillips) Erno. Steven, the youngest of six children, is survived by all his siblings. He was a dear brother of Maureen Docherty, Dale Erno, Janet (Greg) Shannon, Karen (Stephan) Burdick, and David (Patti) Erno. He left home to attend college in the Upper Peninsula. After his marriage to his beloved wife Marlene (Grazioli) Erno on May 17th, 1997, they built a home in Novi, Michigan where they raised their family. He was a loving father to Sarah, Joshua, Daniel, and Anastasia Erno. He and Marlene took the family on many vacations together, including a Mediterranean cruise and a trip to Hawaii most recently.

After growing up on his family farm, he graduated from Marysville High School in 1980. He then attended Michigan Tech University where he earned his Bachelor's Degree in Electrical Engineering. Later he obtained his Master of Business Administration at University of Michigan-Dearborn. He always valued the importance of education and instilled these values in his children as they went on to pursue and obtain various degrees.

He worked at Ford Motor Company for 39 years as an electrical engineer where he worked on various electrical switches across many car lines. Steve and Marlene were both members of the Downriver Italian American Club. He had several hobbies including watching, coaching, and supporting his children

as they played sports throughout the years. He was an avid Detroit sports fan. He grew up watching the Detroit Tigers with his brothers and late father and carried on the tradition with his children. He enjoyed spending time outdoors going on bike rides, kayaking, camping, and visiting National Parks. He also spent a lot of time working on home improvement projects. However, the time he spent with his family was what he cherished the most as he was very proud of them.

Memorial contributions in honor of Steven can be made to the Detroit Lions or Tigers foundation for his love of Detroit sports and the Wounded Warriors Project in honor of his late father who served in the United States Marine Corps.

Detroit Tigers Foundation: <http://www.mlb.com/tigers/community/foundation>

Detroit Lions Foundation: <http://www.detroitlions.com/community/foundation>

Wounded Warriors Project: <https://www.woundedwarriorsproject.org>

Visitation Friday, September 6th from 2 PM until 8 PM at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Road West (between Sheldon and Beck) Plymouth.

In state Saturday, September 7th at 10:30 AM until the 11 AM Funeral Mass at St. John Neumann Catholic Church, 44800 Warren Road, Canton.

Interment at Our Lady of Hope Cemetery, Brownstown, MI Saturday, September 7th at 1:00PM.

To share a memory, please use the share a memory tab on this webpage.

# Cemetery Details

## Our Lady of Hope Cemetery

18303 Allen Road  
Brownstown, MI 48193

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 6. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Plymouth  
46401 Ann Arbor Road West  
Plymouth, MI 48170  
(734) 459-2250  
plymouth@vermeulenfh.com

## In state

SEP 7. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. John Neumann Catholic Church  
44800 Warren Road  
Canton, MI 48187

## Funeral Mass

SEP 7. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. John Neumann Catholic Church  
44800 Warren Road  
Canton, MI 48187



# Tribute Wall

CH

“ Carolyn Hafner, WSU HR purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Steven James Erno.



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Carolyn Hafner, WSU HR - September 13, 2024 at 01:38 PM

CH

“ Carolyn Hafner, WSU HR planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Steven James Erno.

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Carolyn Hafner, WSU HR - September 13, 2024 at 01:38 PM

DA

“ Deborah A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Steven James Erno.

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Deborah A. - September 10, 2024 at 12:54 PM



“ Garden Bench - "Gone yet not forgotten..." was purchased for the family of Steven James Erno.



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September 10, 2024 at 11:01 AM

TF

“ The Switch Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Steven James Erno.

The Switch Family - September 10, 2024 at 11:01 AM

LD

“ My name is Lawanna Dean. I work with his beautiful wife Marlene. I remember when she got married and her name changed to Erno. I also remember when she was pregnant with the twins. I plan to make a donation to Wounded Warriors Project. I am keeping the Erno Family in my thoughts and prayers.

Lawanna Dean - September 07, 2024 at 01:22 PM

LE

“ Love, the Mack family Liz, Gab & Ein planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Steven James Erno.

Love, the Mack family Liz, Gab & Ein - September 06, 2024 at 02:20 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Steven James Erno.



September 06, 2024 at 02:20 PM

YF

“ Your Colleagues at WSU FBO. purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Steven James Erno.



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**Your Colleagues at WSU FBO.** - September 06, 2024 at 12:40 PM

DS

“ Marlene and Family, we are so sorry for your loss. May our daily thoughts and prayers bring you comfort and peace. Dale and Alice Slottje (Armanini- cousins)

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**Dale and Alice Slottje-cousins** - September 06, 2024 at 08:48 AM

AS

“ Alice S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Steven James Erno.

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**Alice S.** - September 06, 2024 at 08:42 AM

ME

“ Marshall, Maddie, Julia & Ernst planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Steven James Erno.

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**Marshall, Maddie, Julia & Ernst** - September 06, 2024 at 08:37 AM

ME

“ Marshall, Maddie, Julia & Ernst purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Steven James Erno.



Marshall, Maddie, Julia & Ernst - September 06, 2024 at 08:37 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Steven James Erno.



September 05, 2024 at 03:11 PM

MD

“ Maureen, Janet, Karen, Dale & Dave purchased the Bright and Beautiful Spray for the family of Steven James Erno.



Maureen, Janet, Karen, Dale & Dave - September 05, 2024 at 07:46 AM

JO

“ Dear Marlene and the entire Erno family,  
I am so very sorry for the loss of your incredible man. May God give you the strength you need in the coming days and weeks. Please lean on your friends and work family if you need anything. My sincere sympathy to you. Julie O'Connor-Wayne State University

Julie O'Connor - September 04, 2024 at 10:04 PM

JB

“ Julianne & Devin Brown planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Steven James Erno.

Julianne & Devin Brown - September 04, 2024 at 07:27 PM

JB

“ Julianne & Devin Brown purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Steven James Erno.



Julianne & Devin Brown - September 04, 2024 at 07:27 PM

FT

“ Ford Switch Engineering Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Steven James Erno.

Ford Switch Engineering Team - September 04, 2024 at 06:12 PM

FT

“ Ford Switch Engineering Team purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Steven James Erno.



Ford Switch Engineering Team - September 04, 2024 at 06:12 PM

YX

“ Marlene, I am so sorry for your loss. Please know that I am with you. You, your family, and your loved one will be in my thoughts and prayers

Grace Xu

Yany Xu - September 04, 2024 at 12:44 PM

DR

“ Marelene, I know this is hard for you and your family. Look to God for strength to get you through the coming days and weeks. I will continue to keep you and your family in my prayers.

Denise Reid - September 04, 2024 at 12:11 PM

GH

“ Greenwood Oaks HOA purchased the Beautiful i  
n Blue for the family of Steven James Erno.



Greenwood Oaks HOA - September 04, 2024 at 11:34 AM

MK

“ Martha K. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Steven James Erno.

Martha K. - September 04, 2024 at 10:26 AM

LW

“ Marlene, my prayers are going up for you and your family. I'm so sorry for your loss.

Lisa Wisdom - September 04, 2024 at 09:55 AM

EC

“ Elizabeth C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Steven James Erno.

Elizabeth C. - September 04, 2024 at 09:54 AM

HH

“ My sincere condolences go out to the Erno family, may God rest Steven's soul 🙏💙

Hassan H. - September 04, 2024 at 08:53 AM

TP

“ The Prone's purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Steven James Erno.



The Prone's - September 03, 2024 at 11:34 PM

KJ

“ Kevin, Brian, James, Matt & Jenn purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Steven James Erno.



Kevin, Brian, James, Matt & Jenn - September 03, 2024 at 09:14 PM

KB

“ Kelly B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Steven James Erno.

Kelly B. - September 03, 2024 at 08:15 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Steven James Erno.



September 03, 2024 at 04:32 PM

MG

“ Martha G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Steven James Erno.

Martha G. - September 03, 2024 at 03:39 PM