



Lewis J. Cordaro

February 6, 1922 - January 16, 2013

Coloma – Lewis J. Cordaro, 90, of Coloma, passed away Wednesday, January 16, 2013, at Lakeland Regional Medical Center in St. Joseph.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11:00 A.M, on Monday, January 21, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 179 Lucinda Lane in Watervliet, with Fr. John Peter Ambrose officiating. Burial will follow at North Shore Memory Gardens in Hagar Shores with Military Honors. Visitation will be held Sunday afternoon, from 3:00 until 6:00, with a Rosary Service at 5:30 at the Davidson Chapel of Florin Funeral Service, 249 E. Center Street, in Coloma. Memorials may be made to either St. Joseph Catholic Church in Watervliet or to the North Berrien Senior Center in Coloma. .

Lewis was born on February 6, 1922, in Coloma, to Salvatore and Raffaella Cordaro. He proudly served his country during WWII in the U.S. Navy, aboard the U.S.S. Nehenta Bay carrier where he served on-board as a ship carpenter. Lewis married Mary Ann LaPorta on October 11, 1947 and together had four children. Lewis worked for A & P Grocery in Benton Harbor as a meat-cutter for 42 years. A life-long member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Watervliet, he served his church in various capacities including organizing their BINGO games. Lewis was an honorary life-member of the Knights of Columbus Council 4055 where he achieved being a 4th Degree Knight and held the position of Grand Knight. He was a “die-hard” Chicago Cubs fan, and

enjoyed traveling and bowling. Most of all, Lewis cherished his family – particularly spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Lewis is survived by his wife Mary Ann of 65 years; children, Mary Lou (Bob) Pliley of Carmel, Indiana, Lewis S. Cordaro of Palm Springs, California, Barbara (Rolland) Boyd of Watervliet, and Jim (Bruce Rubin) Cordaro of Minneapolis, Minnesota; six grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; brother, Michael (Loretta) Cordaro of Stevensville; sister, Grace (Sam) Guardino of Benton Harbor; and by numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Lewis was preceded in death his grandson, Eric.

Cemetery Details

North Shore Memory Gardens

5027 M 63 N
Coloma, MI 49038

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 20. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Davidson Chapel of Florin Funeral Service
249 East Center Street
Coloma, MI 49038
(269) 468-3181
staff@florin.net

Service

JAN 21. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
Lucinda Lane
Watervliet, MI 49098

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Mary Ann and family, We are thinking of you and hoping you will find comfort in special memories. As a newly married couple in 1963, you became our first neighbors - we have fond memories of you and Lewis. Peace, Alan and Nancy Kuehl

Alan and Nancy Kuehl - January 22, 2013 at 07:44 AM

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“ Lew was a very loved man within his community and his family and friends. We mourn your loss with you. May many blessings and prayers be showered on you at this time of sorrow.

The Pliley's
Pat, Lill, John, Deedy and Jim

Deedy Fowler - January 19, 2013 at 11:39 AM



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“ Deb Carter lit a candle in memory of Lewis J. Cordaro



Deb Carter - January 18, 2013 at 01:16 PM

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*Thoughts & prayers go out to you at this difficult time. May your wonderful memories give you peace. In loving memory.
RIP Mr. Cordaro*

Deb & Tom Carter

Deb Carter - January 18, 2013 at 01:20 PM

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“ *Barb and family; I'm so sorry to hear about the passing of your Father. My thoughts and prayers go with you during this trying time.*



Connie Odom - January 18, 2013 at 12:54 PM