



Irwin Edwin Gillies

September 9, 1936 - October 7, 2021

LEXINGTON- Irwin E. "Ernie" Gillies, age 85, a resident of Lexington passed away on Thursday, October 7, 2021 at the Wm. Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak.

He was born on September 9, 1936 in Detroit, Michigan, a son of the late William H. and Anna (Ozminski) Gillies. Irwin married Sefora Mantilla on November 20, 1965 in Mt. Clemens. Irwin faithfully served his country in the U.S. Army in Korea.

Irwin retired as the Parts Manager at Colonial Dodge in East Pointe. He was a member of the St. Denis Catholic Church in Lexington; also a member of the former Lexington VFW, Post #2382 and currently a member of the Port Sanilac VFW, Post #8872. Ernie has been the loyal custodian and caretaker of the Croswell United Methodist Church in Croswell for the past 17 years. He was also a volunteer at Project Blessing in Lexington.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 56 years, Sefora Gillies of Lexington; 2 sons, Patrick (Lesli) Gillies of Monroe and William (Whitney) Gillies of Denver; 3 daughters Deborah (Christopher) Morrison of Roseville, Susan (Thomas) Precido of San Clemente, CA., and Catherine (William) Bishop of Gilbert, Az.; 9 grandchildren, Lenny, Nathan, Katie, Alex, Jacob, Andrew, Lauren, Joseph and Sean; 4 great grandchildren, Maverick, Brennan, Carson and baby boy Morrison on the way. One brother, John (Martha) Gillis of Holly.

He was preceded in death by 4 sisters and 2 brothers.

Visitation will be from 5- 7 P.M. on Monday at the Pomeroy Funeral Home in

Lexington. Rosary Devotions will be held at 7 P.M. Monday evening at the funeral home.

Funeral Mass will be held at 11 A.M.. on Tuesday at the Ave Maria Parish- St. Denis Catholic Church in Lexington, with visiting at the church from 10-11 A.M. Fr. Donald J. Eppenbrock will officiate. Military Rites provided by the Croswell American Legion and the Port Sanilac VFW will immediately follow the mass.

Interment will be in the Resurrection Cemetery in Clinton Township on Wednesday.

Memorials in memory of Ernie may be made to Project Blessing.

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

Clitnon Township, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **11**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Pomeroy Funeral Home - Lexington
5635 Main St.
Lexington, MI 48450
(810) 359-7700
pomeroyfuneralhomes@gmail.com
<https://pomeroyfuneralhomes.com/>

Visitation

OCT **12**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Denis Catholic Church
5366 Main St.
Lexington, MI 48450
(810) 359-5400
<http://www.avemariaparishmi.com>

Church Service

OCT **12**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Denis Catholic Church

5366 Main St.

Lexington, MI 48450

(810) 359-5400

<http://www.avemariaparishmi.com>

Tribute Wall

JL

“ Ernie was a valued member of VFW Post 8872 and we will miss him. We will drape our Post charter for 30 days in his memory and will ring a bell for him at our Veterans Day service Jeff Lyall, Post 8872 Adutant

Jeff Lyall - October 15, 2021 at 12:39 PM

KL

“ Our thoughts and prayers for the Gillies family at this most difficult time.

Ken & Ellen Laritz - October 11, 2021 at 11:28 PM

GF

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Garbacik Family - October 11, 2021 at 07:52 PM

TF

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



The Garbacik Family - October 11, 2021 at 07:38 PM

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The Garbacik Family - October 11, 2021 at 07:34 PM

TG

“ Tanya Garbacik lit a candle in memory of Irwin Edwin Gillies



Tanya Garbacik - October 11, 2021 at 07:06 PM

DG

“ Rest In Peace Uncle Ernie.
From your great nephew. David Gillies



David Gillies - October 11, 2021 at 10:16 AM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Irwin Edwin Gillies.



October 11, 2021 at 10:08 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Irwin Edwin Gillies.*



October 11, 2021 at 08:37 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Irwin Edwin Gillies.*



October 11, 2021 at 01:03 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Irwin Edwin Gillies.*



October 10, 2021 at 07:04 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Irwin Edwin Gillies.*



October 10, 2021 at 04:28 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Irwin Edwin Gillies.*



October 10, 2021 at 01:26 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. I have such fond memories of Uncle Ernie, he will be missed greatly. Sending our love to you all.*

*Love,
Tricia, Glenn, Thomas, and Elliot*

Tricia Parrott - October 10, 2021 at 11:11 AM



“ *Dina lit a candle in memory of Irwin Edwin Gillies*



Dina - October 09, 2021 at 07:37 PM



“ *My deepest condolences to the Gillies family. May the love of God embrace you and comfort you . May the peace of The Lord be with you during this difficult time. Love,Fabiola and Ray*



fabiola mantilla - October 09, 2021 at 07:14 PM



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Sefora M Gillies - October 09, 2021 at 02:54 PM



“ *Tranquil Seas* was purchased for the family of *Irwin Edwin Gillies*.



October 09, 2021 at 11:05 AM