



Joan Katherine Paling

February 5, 1939 - May 30, 2025

CARSONVILLE- Joan Katherine Paling, age 86, passed away on Friday, May 30, 2025 in the comfort of her home, with her husband at her side.

She was born on February 5, 1939 to Aloysius and Dorothy (West) Schwehofer. Joan married Alfred John Paling on October 7, 1961 in St. Mary's Catholic Church in St. Clair, the wedding was performed by Joan's uncle, Fr. Walt.

Joan was a long-time member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Port Sanilac. A loving farm wife, raised six kids with her loving husband. She was a strong pro-life advocate and encouraged all to respect life. Active in 4-H as cooking/baking leader she shared her love of baking. Joan taught Catechism for many years, served as Washington Township Deputy Clerk for 30 years, she also volunteered at Project Blessing during retirement after working 5 years in the bakery at Farmer Jack. In her spare time, she enjoyed working in her vegetable and flower gardens.

Joan is survived by her husband, Alfred John Paling; children, Joe (Kim) Paling, Steve (Beth) Paling, Laura (Dale) Bell, Mark (Trisha) Paling, Mary Bokach, Tom (Jennifer) Paling and ex son-in-law, Rick Bokach; 14 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren; her sisters, Josephine Long and Annette (Robert) Burgess; many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her siblings, Joseph, Francis, Dorothy, Jim, Aloysius, Ben, Mary and Dave.

Visitation will be from 2-8 P.M. on Tuesday at the Pomeroy Funeral Home in

Carsonville. A Rosary will be held at 7 P.M. Tuesday evening at the funeral home. Funeral Mass will be held at 11 A.M. on Wednesday at the Ave Maria Parish- St. Mary's Catholic Church in Port Sanilac, with visiting at the church from 10-11 A.M. Wednesday morning. Fr. Bala Madanu will officiate and Fr. Donald J. Eppenbrock will concelebrate the mass. Interment will follow in the Washington Cemetery in Carsonville.

Memorials in memory of Joan may be made to Right to Life of Sanilac County, Aspire Marlette Hospice, McKenzie Hospital or EWTN.

Cemetery Details

Washington Cemetery

3854 Washington Rd
Carsonville, MI 48419

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 3. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Pomeroy Funeral Home - Carsonville
85 S. Main St.
Carsonville, MI 48419
(810) 657-9595
pomeroyfuneralhomes@gmail.com
<https://pomeroyfuneralhomes.com/>

Visitation

JUN 4. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Marys Catholic Church
7066 Main St.
Port Sanilac, MI 48469

Church Service

JUN 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

WB

“ *Mary, Tommy, Mark and family - Your mom was such a special lady. I have so many memories of her and remember her being a happy and welcoming person. I am very sorry for your loss.* ”

Wendy (Niggemeyer) Branson - June 04, 2025 at 03:19 PM

MB

Thank you Wendy we were so lucky to have her

Mary Bokach - June 04, 2025 at 10:26 PM

MP

“ *Michelle, Tony, and Piper Palabrica-Odle purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Joan Katherine Paling.* ”



Michelle, Tony, and Piper Palabrica-Odle - June 02, 2025 at 01:43 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Joan Katherine Paling.* ”



June 02, 2025 at 10:54 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Joan Katherine Paling.* ”

June 02, 2025 at 10:54 AM

RF

“ Randy, Becky & family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Joan Katherine Paling.



Randy, Becky & family - June 02, 2025 at 09:24 AM

FE

“ My sympathy and prayers to the Paling Family. I pray and say as we have been doing now for centuries: "Eternal rest give to Joan, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine on her forever. May she rest in peace! May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace."

Sincerely,

Fr. Donald J. Eppenbrock, RC retired priest of Ave Maria Parish.

Fr. Donald J. Eppenbrock - June 01, 2025 at 04:35 PM

CJ

“ Cathy & Jim purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Joan Katherine Paling.



Cathy & Jim - June 01, 2025 at 12:35 PM

LF

“ Leach and Landis families purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Joan Katherine Paling.



Leach and Landis families - June 01, 2025 at 10:41 AM

LF

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Leach and Landis families - June 01, 2025 at 10:41 AM

DD

“ Mrs Paling was absolutely one of the finest people I have ever known. I remember her in my life from a very young age. She and my mom would help each other in their large gardens and then work together canning the produce. I remember her picking Laura and I up from Catechism and later, in our college years, always sending her delicious cinnamon rolls with us when we went back to college. Mrs Paling always had a hug and a smile for everyone. Such a kind and strong lady full of integrity. May she Rest In Peace.

Deb Dean-Smith - June 01, 2025 at 07:28 AM

JD

“ When i think of Mrs Paling, i see her sweet smile. A life well lived. I am praying for peace and comfort for you all.

Judy (Squires) DePoy - May 31, 2025 at 10:00 PM

JP

“ Joanie was one of the sweetest hardworking people I’ve ever known. I have fond memories of her being our neighbor in town, when I was very young. She always had a hug for me and treated me as one of her own. Sending hugs and prayers to John and family.

jeanette “Hill” Parker - May 31, 2025 at 07:43 PM

MH

“ We are so saddened to hear about Aunt Joanie. So many fantastic memories to even try to list! Our prayers to you Uncle John and all my cousins. With love, Mary and Roger Henman

Mary Henman - May 31, 2025 at 05:44 PM

PH

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



pomeroy funeral home - May 31, 2025 at 04:10 PM