



## Mrs. Gwendolyn M. Pappas

August 18, 1934 - November 20, 2016

PAPPAS, MRS. GWENDOLYN M.  
Saginaw, Michigan

Gwen passed away peacefully Sunday morning, November 20, 2016, at Covenant Medical Center – Cooper. Age 82 years. She was born on August 18, 1934, in Saginaw, to the late Anthony and Lucilla (Kemerer) Turek. She was married to Nicholas P. Pappas, Jr. on May 21, 1955, in Saginaw, where he predeceased her on February 3, 2009. Gwen was an active member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, having served on various boards, including the Ladies Society and headed the funeral luncheons for years.

Surviving are her four children, Sheryl Pappas, Saginaw; David Pappas, Homer, Alaska; Vicki (Don) Houthoofd, Saginaw; N. Paul Pappas III (Jeffrey Helfrich), Clarkston; three grandchildren, David (Kim) Pappas, Jr., Urbandale, Iowa; twins, Royce and Justin Houthoofd, Saginaw; four great-grandchildren, twins, Maia and Jaide, Nicholas, and Sara Pappas; her sister, M. Joyce Wenzel; her brother, Gary (Deanne) Turek; sister-in-law, Maxine Turek; several nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. She was also predeceased by her brother, Milton Turek.

Funeral service will take place 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, November 23, 2016, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 808 Weiss. Pastor Michael R. Korte and Pastor

Charles F. Buckhahn will officiate with burial in Bethlehem Lutheran Cemetery. Friends are welcome to visit with the family at the Wakeman Funeral Home, Inc., 1218 N. Michigan Ave., Saginaw, on Tuesday from 2:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., then at the church on Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service. Memorial contributions may be given to Bethlehem Lutheran Church. Memories and sympathies of Gwen may be shared with the family on her memorial website at [WakemanFuneralHome](#)

# Cemetery Details

## Bethlehem Lutheran Cemetery

3356 Hermansau Road  
Saginaw, MI 48603

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **22**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wakeman Funeral Home, Inc.  
1218 N. Michigan Ave.  
Saginaw, MI 48602  
(989) 752-8531  
wakemanfh@charter.net

## Visitation

NOV **23**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Bethlehem Lutheran Church  
808 Weiss St.  
Saginaw, MI 48602

## Funeral Service

NOV **23**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Bethlehem Lutheran Church  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Gwendolyn M. Pappas*

September 13, 2022 at 05:01 PM



“ *Mrs. Gwendolyn M. Pappas*

September 13, 2022 at 02:27 PM



“ *Gwen was such a great lady, a wonderful mom and grandmom, but more important a believer in Jesus Christ! She lives with her Lord now. Our deepest sympathies to David, Cheryl, Vicki, and Paul. May God bless you and give you comfort while you adjust to a new normal. Jim and Annette Koscik*

**Jim and Annette** - December 08, 2016 at 06:06 PM



“ *DeAnn Pinder purchased the Garden Accent - "My Mother kept a garden..." for the family of Mrs. Gwendolyn M. Pappas.*



**DeAnn Pinder** - November 23, 2016 at 09:51 AM



“ So sorry to hear of your mother's passing. Please know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. May all of the fond memories that you've shared over the years serve as comfort during this time of loss. May she rest in Peace!

*Mike & Debbie Vanderlip*

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**Mike Vanderlip** - November 22, 2016 at 09:48 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Gwendolyn M. Pappas.



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November 21, 2016 at 03:18 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Gwendolyn M. Pappas.



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November 21, 2016 at 03:11 PM

TW

“ I will never forget the first time I visited Aunt Gwen at home. Scott and I just started dating and we stopped by for some reason. Gwen kept calling me "Lisa" and Scott kept correcting her. We followed her outside...I was the last one out of the house. She told me to "keep the door open" too late and I locked her out of the house!!! Luckily she was able to walk to Vicki's house to get a key. Oooops...but she never called me Lisa again. I loved her like she was an aunt Ive known my entire life. Rest in peace Aunt Gwen with Uncle Nick. I love you.

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**Tina Wenzel** - November 21, 2016 at 11:39 AM

JS

Sorry to hear the passing of Gwen. When we first moved here, she and Nick were the first ones to welcome us. We always enjoyed an occasional chat in her driveway or in our home for a cup of coffee in our home. RIP Gwen.  
Jack and Mary Springberg

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**Jack Springberg** - November 21, 2016 at 03:40 PM

KW

Gwen will be missed. A great lady. Ken & Jackie Willman

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**ken willman** - November 21, 2016 at 06:09 PM

DP

So many wonderful memories of Gwen that we will always remember and treasure and hold close to our hearts. She was a wonderful and kind lady.  
DeAnn Adlam Pinder  
Greg Pinder

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**DeAnn Pinder** - November 23, 2016 at 08:09 AM