



Norman W. Sowatsky

May 6, 1935 - December 3, 2022

Mr. Norman W. Sowatsky
Saginaw Twp., Michigan

Norman was called home to his Lord and Savior on Saturday, December 3, 2022, from Covenant Medical Center – Cooper. He was 87 years old. Norman William Sowatsky was born on May 6, 1935, in Wauseon, Ohio, to the late William F. and Lulu A. (Glanz) Sowatsky. He was married to Janice Mildred (Hetzner) Sowatsky on August 11, 1962, in Saginaw, and after 58 years of marriage, Janice was called home to her Lord and Savior on February 2, 2021.

Norman is survived by his children, Christina (Richard) Zeuner, Sheboygan, WI; Steven (Lisa) Sowatsky and his grandchildren, Laura and William of Monroe, MI; Eric (Virginia) Sowatsky, Saginaw, MI and his grandchildren, Allison, Luke Tyler and Daniel; his in-laws, James (Carol) Hetzner; nieces, nephews, extended family members and dear friends. He was also predeceased by his son, Paul Norman Sowatsky; his sisters, Ruth Ann Heiman and Marjorie Scholl; his in-law, Marilyn Bloomfield.

Norman served as a corporal in the U.S. Army from February 1958 to January 1964. He spent several years of his service transporting Honest John rockets while stationed in Germany. He was employed as a cutter grinder at Saginaw

Steering Gear, then as a toolmaker, mastering CNC, which enabled him to help develop the prototype for the tilt steering wheel. He retired in 2000. Norman was a faithful member at Bethlehem Lutheran Church and School, along with his wife, Jan. He served as an Elder, participated in the Boar's Head Christmas Festival for many years and sang in the choir for more than 60 years. Prior to his retirement, Norman enjoyed reading, tutoring students at Bethlehem, going to his grandchildren's school and sporting events and especially spending time with his family.

Norman's visitation will be held on Friday, December 9, 2022, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Wakeman Funeral Home, 1218 N. Michigan Ave., in Saginaw. Visitation will continue on Saturday, December 10, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at church. Norman's funeral will take place 11:00 a.m. at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 808 Weiss, Saginaw, MI. The committal and burial will follow in Bethlehem Lutheran Cemetery, with military honors conducted by the U.S. Army and a local VFW/American Legion.

Memorial contributions may be given to Bethlehem Lutheran Church and School or Valley Lutheran High School. Memories and sympathies of Norman may be shared with the family on his memorial website at WakemanFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

Bethlehem Lutheran Cemetery

3356 Hermansau Road
Saginaw, MI 48603

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 9. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Visitation

DEC 10. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Bethlehem Lutheran Church
808 Weiss St.
Saginaw, MI 48602

Funeral Service

DEC 10. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Saginaw, MI 48602

Committal Service & Military Honors Ceremony

DEC **10**. 12:30 PM (ET)

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Saginaw, MI 48603

Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Norman W. Sowatsky.*



December 10, 2022 at 09:58 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Norman W. Sowatsky.*



December 08, 2022 at 09:52 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of Norman's passing. Prayers to the Sowatsky family.*
Gary Roethlisberger and Lori Bourdow

Lori Bourdow - December 08, 2022 at 06:44 PM



“ *We were very sorry to hear of your father's passing. We have fond memories of your family while we lived in your neighborhood. We will keep you all in our prayers. Blessings David and Susan Skiendziel*

David W Skiendziel - December 06, 2022 at 05:33 PM

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“ We were so sorry to hear of Norman’s passing. We have fond memories of watching his family grow up at Bethlehem. Adding his voice to the choir and being such a big part of Bethlehem Church. He will be sadly missed. We pray the Lord watches over his family. 🙏. Carl & Peggy Burk.

Carl & Peggy Burk - December 06, 2022 at 12:49 PM