



## Roberta Pauline Fortino

January 13, 1935 - January 25, 2024

Roberta Pauline Fortino passed away on January 25th surrounded by her family. She was born in Grand Ledge on January 13, 1935 to Joseph and Anna Pauline Galvin. In 1953, she married Louie Fortino and they started their family. Two years later they moved to Lansing where they opened Fortino's Grocery, which they operated for twenty years. Roberta was proud of her German and Irish heritage and yet, became famous for her delicious spaghetti sauce, which she offered to anyone who came through her door. She was a proud, loving mother of eight children and cherished her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She will be forever in our hearts.

She is survived by daughters: Lou Ann Michael, Linda (Laurie Thornton) Fortino, Cynthia (Tim) Brogan, Deborah Fortino; and sons: Frank, Joseph (Cyndi), Mark and Daniel Fortino; grandchildren, Stefani (Tony) Strouse, Kristy (Jeremy) Simpson, Joseph (Monica) Michael, Patrick (Jessica) Brogan, Ryan and Brendan Brogan, Kayla Fortino and Ashley Sobek; great grandchildren, Keegan Rankin, Jaden and Mia Michael, Stella Simpson, Braxton and Easton Brogan, Samantha (Nick) Foy and Samantha and Matthew Myers. Roberta was preceded in death by her husband, Louie, son-in-law Tim Michael, grandson, Louie Michael Fortino, and her siblings, Edward, Carl, Arlene, Robert, Marge, Marilyn, and Gertrude.

Visitation will be Tuesday at the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge from 5-8:00 PM and at the church Wednesday from 10-11:00 AM. A Burial Mass will be celebrated by Father Steve Mattson on Wednesday,

January 31, 2024, 11:00 AM at the Church of the Resurrection, 1505 E. Michigan Avenue, Lansing, MI 48912. The Rite of Committal will take place at Oakwood Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to Sparrow Foundation, Hospice House of Mid-Michigan, 1215 E. Michigan Avenue, Lansing, Michigan 48912-9907 (<https://secure.qgiv.com/for/spaheasys>).

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Cemetery

299 Halbert Street  
Grand Ledge, MI 48837-1232  
(517) 627-2149

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JAN 30.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home & Cremation Services  
406 N. Bridge Street  
Grand Ledge, MI 48837  
(517) 627-2531  
[jasonbarclay@holihanatkin.com](mailto:jasonbarclay@holihanatkin.com)  
<https://www.holihanatkin.com>

## Visitation

**JAN 31.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Church of the Resurrection  
1505 E. Michigan Avenue  
Lansing, MI 48912

## Mass of Christian Burial

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JAN 31. 11:00 AM (ET)

Church of the Resurrection  
1505 E. Michigan Avenue  
Lansing, MI 48912

# Tribute Wall

JP

“ Always with fond memories of a woman entirely devoted to her children. Remembering with joy many delightful conferences having taught 5 of her beautiful children. Blessings and condolences...Janet Gieseler Shumaker Perron

Janet Perron - February 02, 2024 at 10:46 PM

CM

“ Sorry to my cousins and family for the loss of their Mother & my Aunt Roberta! Praying for all to have strength during this very sad time. Love Christine Caruso Martin

Christine Caruso Martin - January 30, 2024 at 03:00 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Roberta Pauline Fortino.



January 30, 2024 at 01:50 PM

PB

“ Phil and Trudy Bartlett planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Roberta Pauline Fortino.

Phil and Trudy Bartlett - January 30, 2024 at 01:50 PM

HU

“ *Honda/Nissan Business Unit purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Roberta Pauline Fortino.*



**Honda/Nissan Business Unit** - January 29, 2024 at 12:18 PM

RT

“ *Razzaaq, Julie and the Purchasing team purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Roberta Pauline Fortino.*



**Razzaaq, Julie and the Purchasing team** - January 29, 2024 at 09:40 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Roberta Pauline Fortino.*



January 29, 2024 at 08:31 AM

YC

“ *Your Caruso Cousins purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Roberta Pauline Fortino.*



**Your Caruso Cousins** - January 28, 2024 at 12:19 PM

CF

“ Carolyn Fortino and family purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Roberta Pauline Fortino.



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**Carolyn Fortino and family** - January 27, 2024 at 04:51 PM

JC

“ Joseph and Helen Caruso purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Roberta Pauline Fortino.



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**Joseph and Helen Caruso** - January 27, 2024 at 03:24 PM

WA

“ With love...Amy, Annie & Susan Armstrong purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Roberta Pauline Fortino.



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**With love...Amy, Annie & Susan Armstrong** - January 27, 2024 at 12:42 PM

WA

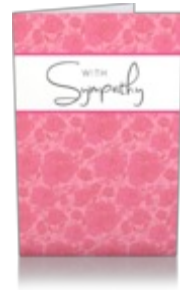
“ With love...Amy, Annie & Susan Armstrong planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Roberta Pauline Fortino.

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**With love...Amy, Annie & Susan Armstrong** - January 27, 2024 at 12:42 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Roberta Pauline Fortino.



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January 27, 2024 at 11:26 AM



“ Tina G. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Roberta Pauline Fortino.

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**Tina G.** - January 27, 2024 at 09:43 AM



“ Fortino cousins- so sorry for your loss. Your Mom was a warm and funny woman and a favorite Aunt. God Bless, Tony Fortino and family.

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**Tony Fortino** - January 27, 2024 at 09:39 AM



“ I remember so many stay overs with Aunt Roberta and family when I was young. If you would get up real early on Sunday morning and go to Mass with Uncle Louie he would take you out for breakfast after. Always good times.....❤️

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**Kay Cribley Horrocks** - January 27, 2024 at 09:19 AM

DF

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall

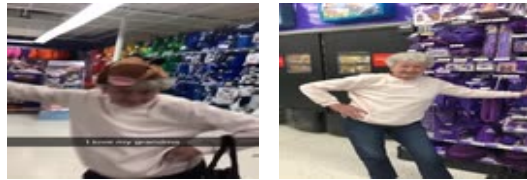


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**Debbie Fortino** - January 27, 2024 at 08:56 AM

KF

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



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**Kayla Fortino** - January 27, 2024 at 08:50 AM

PG

“ Patricia G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Roberta Pauline Fortino.

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**Patricia G.** - January 27, 2024 at 06:51 AM

LC

“ Love Joe and Cyndi purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Roberta Pauline Fortino.



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**Love Joe and Cyndi** - January 26, 2024 at 05:46 PM

LC

“ Love Joe and Cyndi planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Roberta Pauline Fortino.

Love Joe and Cyndi - January 26, 2024 at 05:46 PM

JC

“ Mom.  
You are a beautiful soul and we will forever treasure our memories with you. We love you so much. Joe and Cyndi.

Joe and Cyndi - January 26, 2024 at 05:34 PM

LT

“ Love, Tina purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Roberta Pauline Fortino.



Love, Tina - January 26, 2024 at 05:14 PM

LT

“ Laurie Thornton purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Roberta Pauline Fortino.



Laurie Thornton - January 26, 2024 at 04:01 PM