



Francis (Frank) Raymond Murray

April 17, 1936 - January 28, 2023

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Francis (Frank) Raymond Murray, age 86, of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan passed away on Saturday, January 28, 2023. Frank was born April 17, 1936.

Francis (known by everyone as Frank) was born on April 17, 1936 to mother Caroline and father Tibertius in Toledo, OH.

Frank was raised in in Toledo, OH along with his 3 siblings, Thomas, Caroline and Veronica.

Frank loved playing sports. He played high school ice hockey for Central Catholic which was a popular sport at the school.

Frank attended Notre Dame University, following the footsteps of this father who ran cross-country for Knute Rockne. His Uncle Father Raymond and Cousin Father Edmund were also teachers at the University.

After completing his sophomore year, he decided to join the US Army and spent 2 years overseas in Germany. Frank then completed his education at the University of Toledo.

In 1957, he met the love of his life, Sally Huenefeld. They later married and moved to Detroit, MI to start a family.

Frank is the dearest husband of Sally for 63 years. Loving father of Mark (Karen) Murray, Suzanne (Gary) Novak, Frank (Laura) Murray, and Christopher (Michele) Murray. Grandfather of Kelly, Michael, Nicholas,

Stephanie, Joseph, Nathan, Jacob, Mitchell, Ryan, and Lauren. Survived by his sister Caroline Botwin and predeceased by his siblings, Thomas and Veronica. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Frank started his career in the Pharmaceutical Sales where he excelled and later became an entrepreneur in the Financial Planning Industry in which he worked over 40 years until his retirement.

Frank continued his love of sports. He played handball, racquetball, ice hockey and was a competitive sailor. He later started windsurfing in the early 1980's. This soon led him to start the Grosse Pointe Windsurfing Association out of Grosse Pointe Patterson Park. He and mom ran the Annual GPWA Regatta for 14 years.

Frank also instilled this passion for sports in his children and grandchildren. He was a hockey coach and a big cheerleader on the sidelines for his family. In later years, he joined the church choir and sang in the Grosse Pointe Community Chorus as well.

He was a strong patriarch of his family, a good friend to all, a man who always had time for a friendly conversation.

Frank was a strong, proud, kind and good man. He is loved and will be missed by many!

A memorial mass will be held on Friday, February 24, 2023, at St. Joan of Arc Church, 21620 Greater Mack Avenue, Saint Clair Shores, MI 48080, Instate 9:30am for 10am Mass, followed by military honors. Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital, Alzheimer's, or the charity of your choice in his name. Please visit www.rudyfuneral.com to share a memory or light a candle.

Previous Events

Instate

FEB **24**. 9:30 AM (ET)

St. Joan of Arc Church
21620 Greater Mack
St. Clair Shores, MI 48080

Memorial Mass

FEB **24**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *It was always fun to see Frank at the TABA windsurfing racing! I sailed with him in many races.* ”

sherry simon - June 22, 2024 at 06:11 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Francis (Frank) Raymond Murray.* ”



February 22, 2023 at 09:05 AM

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“ *Nancy and I were so saddened to hear of Franks passing! I have so many fond memories being out on the lake with Frank. An exceptional man...always encouraging, smiling and thinking of others. A pleasure to be around at all times. Notably a wonderful family man and friend. He will be greatly missed. Our deepest sympathies and love in this difficult time.* ”

nancy - February 17, 2023 at 06:16 PM

MB

“ *Mary Braczyk lit a candle in memory of Francis (Frank) Murray* ”



Mary Catherine Braczyk - February 15, 2023 at 08:18 PM

MB

“ Deepest sympathy for you Francis I always wondered how you were doing if you were one of those that came to help a little girl out of a delimita in the 1960 I wish I would have had the chance to at least say Hello but not to say Good bye. I am in the need as back then for someone to be here for me. MCBraczyk Michigan Telephone Pioneers Retired from AT&T

Mary Catherine Braczyk - February 15, 2023 at 08:17 PM

JC

“ Frank was well known and well respected in our local windsurfing community. We met several years ago as he was towards the end of his sailing career. He always had a kind word and a smile. Rest in Peace and my condolences to his family.
Jim Costakis

Jim Costakis - February 08, 2023 at 09:14 PM

RC

“ Frank was a year ahead of me at Central Catholic in Toledo Ohio we used to see each other often at St Rita's church Clarklake Michigan and visit at Lake LeAnn or Lake Columbia in the Irish Hills, MI
Frank and I raced our windsurfers at many regattas over the years but I definitely recall once in the St Clair River when we sailed up very close to one large huge freighter a memory which will last forever Ron Croci

Ron Croci - February 03, 2023 at 03:49 PM