



Lydia Rapoza

June 29, 1926 - September 30, 2021

Lydia Rapoza, 95, passed away Thursday, September 30, 2021, with her family by her side. She was born in Fall River, Massachusetts to the late Manuel and Alexandrina (Silva) Viveiros on June 29, 1926. She married Joseph James Rapoza Sr. on September 26, 1949, and worked many years as a baker and textile worker. In 1953 Lydia moved to Michigan where she raised seven children.

After her children were raised, Lydia moved to Perdido Key Florida where she worked for Holy Spirit Catholic Church and also owned a yard shop.

In her free time, Lydia enjoyed making wedding cakes and porcelain dolls.

Lydia was a people person and for over 15 years she worked for St. Vincent de Paul helping the homeless in her area. She loved to travel and see the world, Spain, Roma, Italy, and Germany were a few of her travel stops. Most of all, Lydia loved her family and they were the most important part of her life. She will be greatly missed.

Lydia will be lovingly remembered by her children: Shirley Baldwin, Carlton (Missy) Rapoza, Karen (Donald) Krumlauf, Darrell (Sandra) Rapoza, Arthur (Pamela) Rapoza, 22 grandchildren, 37 great-grandchildren, 8 great-great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. Lydia was preceded in death by her husband Joseph, parents, daughter Vivian Labombarbe, son Joseph Rapoza Jr., daughter-in-law Jacklyn Rapoza, son-in-law James Baldwin, and grandson Peter Vandriessche.

A visitation for Lydia will take place on Tuesday, October 5, 2021, at the

Kalkaska Funeral Home from 4-6 PM.

The funeral service will take place Wednesday, October 6, 2021, at St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Church in Kalkaska at noon. The family will receive friends beginning at 11:00 AM until the time of service. Burial will take place at Evergreen Cemetery in Kalkaska. Arrangements have been entrusted to Kalkaska Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **5.** 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Kalkaska Funeral Home
152 S Cedar St
P.O. Box 1457
Kalkaska, MI 49646

Funeral Mass

OCT **6.** 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Church
438 CR 612 NE
Kalkaska, MI 49646

Tribute Wall

GM

“ *Such an interesting lady to talk with. When she worked in the church office I often stopped by just to spend a little time chatting with her and keeping her company. Now she is in Heaven keeping company with God.*

Gloria Marini - October 15, 2021 at 10:18 AM

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“ *To The Entire Rapoza Family,*

*We are sorry for your loss of your Mom, Grandma & Great Grandma,
What a legacy your loved one had. She raised a large family and worked outside the home and dedicated her time to working in her church. What wonderful memories you all share, and share them you must and she will be with you always. those memories are what will get you through the lonely times. God Bless each of you.*

Will & Patty Rodgers

rodgers - October 15, 2021 at 01:30 AM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lydia Rapoza.*



October 04, 2021 at 05:55 PM

JY

“ Lydia was a special person and loved by all here at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Pensacola, FL. May she Rest in Peace!

Joyce Yaden - October 04, 2021 at 05:26 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Lydia Rapoza.



October 03, 2021 at 03:30 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Lydia Rapoza.



October 03, 2021 at 11:43 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Lydia Rapoza.



October 03, 2021 at 08:52 AM



“ *Christine Findley Bishop lit a candle in memory of Lydia Rapoza*



Christine Findley Bishop - October 02, 2021 at 05:06 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Lydia Rapoza.*



October 02, 2021 at 12:18 PM



“ *Mrs Rapoza was a great lady she always treated me with love and respect. All my love to her family*

kathy buchner - October 01, 2021 at 08:16 PM