



## Gino Del Pup

June 30, 1939 - February 11, 2021

DEL PUP, Gino. Passed away on Thursday, February 11, 2021, at the age of 81. Gino was blessed with the opportunity to see and talk to all of his loved ones before he passed.

Beloved husband of Mary for 49 incredible years, Gino was blessed with a good life. He was an active member of the Venetian Club of Mutual Aid and the Cordenons Club. Gino was very proud of his three children and took pride in being a good Nonno to his five grandchildren. Loving father of Gino J. (Laura), Brian (Catherine), and Marisa (John) Badanjek. Very proud and adored Nonno of Anthony, Gino L., Isabella, Stella, and Natalie. Gino will be missed by his brothers, Gianni (Felicita), and Mario (Mary), Sister in law, Janet (the late Richard) Piovesana, as well as many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Gino was born in Cordenons, Italy on June 30, 1939. He came to the United States in 1955 with his mother and two brothers to reunite with his father who came to the U.S. in 1954. He was drafted into the Army in 1962 and proudly served until 1964. Gino was so honored to be an American. He especially enjoyed spending his winters at his home away from home in Longboat Key, Florida; walking the beach, fishing, cooking, and enjoying time with his many "snowbird" friends. In Michigan, Gino always enjoyed: making sausages with his children, whipping up his wonderful spaghetti sauce, and canning tomatoes and homemade antipasto. He loved his garden, and his tomato plants were his pride and joy. He was so meticulous, he would seed his tomatoes in Florida and transplant the seedlings in Michigan.

Gino will be missed by many, but wonderful memories live on. Rest In Peace Gino and good bye to a great family man.

Private Visitation Sunday from 3-7pm concluding with a Rosary Service at Wujek - Calcaterra & Sons Inc., 36900 Schoenherr Rd at Metro Parkway (16 Mile). Funeral Mass Monday 10am at San Francesco Catholic Church, 22870 S Nunneley Rd., Clinton Twp., MI. 48035.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to: Father Solanus Guild, 1780 Mt. Elliot St., Detroit, MI. 48207 or San Francesco Catholic Church, 22870 S. Nunneley Rd., Clinton Twp., MI. 48035. Entombment, Resurrection Cemetery. Please share memories with the family at their "On-Line Guestbook" at [WujekCalcaterra.com](http://WujekCalcaterra.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **14.** 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Wujek - Calcaterra & Sons Inc - Sterling  
36900 SCHOENHERR RD  
Sterling Heights, MI 48312

## Funeral Mass

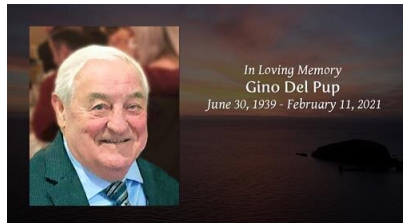
FEB **15.** 10:00 AM (ET)

San Francesco Church  
22870 S. Nunneley  
Clinton Township, MI 48035

# Tribute Wall



“ *Wujek ~ Calcaterra & Sons, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Gino Del Pup*



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**Wujek ~ Calcaterra & Sons, Inc.** - February 13, 2021 at 02:57 PM

RT

“ *Dear Mary and Family,*

*We are so sorry to hear of Gino's passing and wanted to express our condolences. Through a lifetime of memories, from Camp Dearborn picnics to the Annual Cordenons Golf Outing, Gino will always be part of those memories. The tradition of having our pictures taken by Gino and Mary at the golf outing kicked off a day of celebration with family and friends. He will truly be missed but not forgotten.*

*God bless,  
Bob and Mary Tome*

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**Robert Tome** - February 22, 2021 at 02:48 PM

BC

*Dear Mary and Family,  
Gino was a special man for sure. The tender, loving way he cared for his dad down at Seaplace spoke volumes about his character. His lively, happy personality added fun wherever he was. We are so sad to hear of his passing. Our deepest sympathy and love Mary.*

*God be with you,  
Bill and Sharon Caldwell*

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**Bill and Sharon Caldwell** - February 28, 2021 at 11:52 PM

BC

“ *On behalf of the Capuchin brothers I offer my deepest sympathies on the passing of Gino. It is truly humbling to receive memorial donations in honor of Gino's life. Please be assured of the brother's prayers for the entire Del Pup family during this great time of grief. May perpetual light shine upon Gino.*

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**Br Nick Blattner Ofm Capuchin** - February 17, 2021 at 12:18 PM

 Izora  
Baldwin

“ *My deepest condolences to the Delpup family. Gino was a man who always had a smile on his face or something funny to say whenever he came to Dr. Little's office. He loved his family especially his wife Mary and grandchildren.. Every time he and Mary would come into the office, we would always ask how each other's families were doing. You all are in my prayers and if there is anything we can do for you, please let us know.*

*God Bless,  
Izora Baldwin, CMA  
Office Manager*

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**Izora Baldwin** - February 16, 2021 at 06:53 AM

TK

“ Dear Mary and Family,

*We are so sorry to hear of Gino's passing and also sorry that we did not have the opportunity to tell you in person how much we appreciate the kindness and friendliness that Gino has always shown to Jodi and I and our children. We, and the neighborhood, will miss him greatly.*

*The Kolakowskis*

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**The Kolakowskis** - February 15, 2021 at 04:55 PM

SA

“ To Mary and the family we send our sympathy, thoughts, and many prayers for the loss of a wonderful and dear man, Gino. We learned of his passing at mass at St.Mary Star of the Sea on the weekend. Our hearts are filled with sadness for all, and our deepest wish is for comfort and peace of mind for all who knew him and loved him. RIP Gino, a great man.

*Sue and Dick Antonello*

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**Sue Antonello** - February 15, 2021 at 11:36 AM

RB

*So sorry to hear about Gino. I have so many wonderful memories of Gino at our wedding in New York and the years following. We enjoyed our many dinners together with both of you and the wonderful food you both loved to cook. And the night you had my parents to your house was so special. Gino's love for you and his family will always be with you. My heart goes out to you and your family.*

*Roz Behaylo*

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**Roz Behaylo** - February 15, 2021 at 05:27 PM

NC

“ An enormous loss for all who knew and loved him. Easter will never be the same for me. However, I suspect Gino is right now planning the Easter Sunday Menu in the "Grande Cucina in El Cielo" along with all of the Angels and Saints who guided him through his wonderful journey through life. Gino's legacy is his incredible family. All beautiful, smart, talented, accomplished, loving and kind.  
"Aunt Norma"

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**Norma Cortonesi** - February 15, 2021 at 10:56 AM

DV

“ We met Gino and Mary here on Longboat Key Florida. several years ago. Gino who introduced me to his love of Tomatos how to grow them from his tomato seeds from his own plants. He was amazing I have never known anyone who grew tomatoes fro seeds from his plants from Michigan. Not only being raised in a very Sicilian family we discussed the many ethnicity from or Italian heritage (even though he said I was not Italian but Scilian from there our love grew into a fabulous friendship. Gino made me laugh we joked constantly about our cooking. Believe me he was so superioior. Hated to admit that to him.  
We looked forward to seeing Mary and Gino in Michigan. Mary was like a sister I always wanted.  
Dave and I looked forward our LBK friends with so much anticipation.  
His love for his wife and family reminded me of my family.

*Kind, dedicated and a simple man I told the blessed Mother we were not ready to let him go but cherish the short years he was in our life.*

*Our Love and prayers we send to Mary and her children and grandchildren. HE was the Best.  
Sincerely. Florence and Dave*

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**Dave and Florence VanHowe** - February 14, 2021 at 06:45 PM

DT

“ *Mary dear sooo very sorry and shocked to hear. What a dear dear man. He will be missed. My prayers are with you and your family.  
Dee Tornillo*

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**dee tornillo** - February 14, 2021 at 04:43 PM

BG

“ Dear Mary,

*I am sorry I only had the opportunity to meet Geno once but I know he must have been a wonderful man and husband.  
Keeping you and your family in my thoughts and prayers.*

*God Bless You,*

*Barbara Gurchiek*

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**Barbara J Gurchiek** - February 14, 2021 at 04:15 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gino Del Pup.



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February 14, 2021 at 09:49 AM

PS

“ Dear Mary and Family, We are so sorry to hear of Gino's passing. His smile and contagious laugh bring back so many fond memories of the times we worked together at the Foley Fall Festival. We are sending prayers your way for your family during this difficult time.  
*Paul and Janet Stanton*

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**Paul Stanton** - February 14, 2021 at 09:16 AM

TS

“ Mary and family. Our condolences on the passing of Gino. Seeing u both together u could see the love you both had for each other.  
*Much love to you and family. Teri and joe scaring*

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**teri joe scaring** - February 14, 2021 at 08:58 AM

JO

“ Dear Mary and family...You have both been wonderful, caring neighbors setting a wonderful example for your children. We would be there to share your grief if we were in Michigan. We are in Gino's favorite winter home..Florida. love and prayers for your broken hearts. Dan and Joyce MacLeish

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**Joyce** - February 14, 2021 at 08:44 AM

DK

“ Dear Mary and family,

We are so saddened to hear of the loss of your husband, father and grandfather..... he loved being all of those God appointed positions in this life ! He was greatly blessed.and a blessing to those of us that were able to know him. Mary , please know that you and Gino brought smiles and joy into a room .... every time.

I pray that you'll all be comforted during this time and will find unexpected joy and peace as you mourn and celebrate your wonderful Gino.

Most sincerely,  
Darlene and Rick Kunkel

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**Darlene Kunkel** - February 14, 2021 at 06:18 AM

SG

May the Peace of the Lord be with him.  
Sincere condolences from Steve and Linda Garrisi and Family.

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**Steve Garrisi** - February 14, 2021 at 04:14 PM

DS

*Dear Mary: Dorothy and I keep in touch with Irene and Joe Klemens in Lopngboat from time to time and we were asking about you and Gino and learned the shocking news of his passing. So hard to believe that such a good hearted, genuine and seemingly healthful specimen of a guy could be taken from us so much before his time by this scourge of a disease. He was so kind to us during our stays each winter in G6, reserving a couple of squares for us on his yearly SuperBowl lottery and so especially helpful in getting us and our kids to the airport last year. Can't forget it and can't believe that he is gone. Our sincerest condolences to you and your family for this irreplaceable loss.*

*Dorothy and David Samuel from Toronto*

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**Dorothy & David Samuel** - February 15, 2021 at 05:38 PM

DG

“*Dear Mary and family,  
We are so shocked and sorry to hear about the passing of Gino!  
Our hearts and prayers go out to you all! We have wonderful  
memories sharing gardening secrets, tomatoes, fishing stories and  
our love of Italy! We couldn't ask for better neighbors! God bless  
you all!*

*Doug, Mary, Ben and Tim Gregory*

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**Douglas T Gregory** - February 13, 2021 at 10:22 PM

CU

“*My prayers go out to the entire Del Pup family. That video was very touching. Mr. Del Pup (as I always knew him by) was a dedicated family man and a kind soul, and I will always remember those fun golfing trips years ago. He will be missed.*

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**Curt** - February 13, 2021 at 09:10 PM

LR

“ *Mary and Family,  
I was so saddened to hear of Gino’s passing. My heart goes out to you. I just watched that beautiful video showing the love Gino had for his family and friends. I will always remember his infectious smile. Jeffrey and I send our sympathy and prayers to you during this very difficult time.*

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**Lea Ann and Jeffrey Rosenthal** - February 13, 2021 at 08:28 PM

JH

“ *First Mary, Jerry and I want your to know how sad we are to hear that Gino has passed away. Please know that we are thinking of you at this time. He was a sweet man and so full of life.  
Our memory:  
Gino bigger than life walking around the Seaplace pool with his clip board and Super Bowl betting paper... “Threatening our knees if we don’t pay up!” He always had a smile and kind word.  
He is and will be sadly missed.  
Know we are sending our love.  
Judy & Jerry Herman*

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**Judy & Jerry Herman** - February 13, 2021 at 06:01 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Gino Del Pup.*



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February 13, 2021 at 05:01 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Gino Del Pup.*



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February 13, 2021 at 05:01 PM



“ *Mary< my prayers go out to you and your family. Just watched the video. It brought tears to my eyes. The caterpillar thought the world was over, then it became a butterfly!. Love to you. Joanne*



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**Joanne Muzzin** - February 13, 2021 at 04:29 PM

HP

*Dear Mary,  
We were so sad to hear of Gino's passing.  
Please accept our deepest condolences.  
Herma and Bob Perez*

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**Herma Perez** - February 14, 2021 at 09:31 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Gino Del Pup.*



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February 13, 2021 at 03:58 PM

PB

“ Dear Mary, Gino, Bryan and Marisa we are so sad to hear about Gino's death. We are sorry for not being together to pray for him. We will always keep his memory in our hearts. Hugs from Italy, Cugina Edda, Paola and family

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**Paola Bomben** - February 13, 2021 at 02:44 PM

JC

“ Mary and family,  
We are saddened to hear of Gino's passing, he will be missed by many. Please accept our deepest condolences during this difficult time.  
Keeping you close in our hearts and in our prayers,  
Lucia, John and Sylvia Costella

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**John Costella** - February 13, 2021 at 12:31 PM

PV

“ Gino, We will always cherish the special times together. Thank you for all of your love and generosity you have shown to us over the years. We will miss our trips to Vegas, our walks on the beach in Florida but most importantly we will miss our family gatherings. You always made us feel so special when you introduced us as " Your Canadian cousins ". Forever in our hearts.  
Paula, Nick, Felicia , Joe  
Vincelli

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**Paula Vincelli** - February 13, 2021 at 12:10 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gino Del Pup.*



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February 13, 2021 at 11:37 AM



“ *Gino, I always thought of you as a very strong individual. You were generous in sharing your secrets for growing the best raddichio. I treasure the time we spent together and the memories you shared with our family. My sincere condolences to Mary and the kids.*

*May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.*

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**Franco Lazzarin** - February 13, 2021 at 11:32 AM



“ *Man O Man what a kick in the teeth, I was floored when I heard this. GOD Bless you my buddy/friend/family. we had our time growing up. Mary, Gianni, Mario I'm so sorry words just don't express how this hit me. Marianne and I and family wish you the strength you will need to get through this. See you on the other side Gino Eugene and Marianne Raffin*

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**Eugene Raffin** - February 13, 2021 at 10:19 AM



“ *Marissa & Mrs D & Family we are so sorry for your loss. I remember his amazing laugh & that sweet smile. The kind of smile that warmed your heart. Peace to you all as you travel thru this weekend. Warm hugs from the Singlers.*

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**elizabeth** - February 13, 2021 at 08:50 AM

JB

“*Such a heartbreaker! I was pulling for you Gino! In all the times we met over the years, you were the most kind and positive person I had the pleasure of talking with and having dinner! Your smile was always a ray of sunshine! Sending prayers and condolences to the whole Del Pup family! May you Rest In Peace, Gino! God bless!*”

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**John Badanjek** - February 13, 2021 at 01:35 AM