



## Gjek Paloka Palushaj

January 1, 1957 - February 13, 2026

Gjek Paloka Palushaj, 69, of Troy, Michigan, passed away peacefully on February 13, 2026, after a courageous five-year battle with cancer, which he faced with remarkable strength, dignity, and unwavering faith.

He was born on January 1, 1957, in Omerbozhaj, Montenegro. He earned his degree from Prishtina University and began his career as a music professor, dedicating his early years to teaching and the arts. After immigrating to the United States, he became a business owner while continuing to carry his love for music throughout his life.

Gjek shared 36 loving years of marriage with his wife, Katrina. Together they built a life centered on family, hard work, and strong values.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Katrina; his son, Andre; and his daughter, Angelina. He is also survived by his brothers, Rroku, Gjoka, and Zef "Beku"; and his sisters, Terezja, Lena, Katrina, Dila, and Shaqja, along with his sisters-in-law and many nieces and nephews and extended family members.

He will be remembered for his dedication to his family, his strength and positivity, and his love of music.

Visitation will take place on Wednesday February 18th, from 2:00pm to

9:00pm at Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons 54880 Van Dyke at 25 Mile Rd. (SHELBY TOWNSHIP). Funeral Thursday February 19th Instate 9:30am at St. Paul Albanian Church 525 W. Auburn Rd. (btw. Rochester and Livernois Rds.) until time of Mass at 10:00am. Interment Guardian Angel Cemetery. Share memories with the family at their "On Line Guest Book" @ [WujekCalcaterra.com](http://WujekCalcaterra.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 18. 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons - Shelby Township  
54880 VanDyke Ave  
Shelby Township, MI 48316

## Instate / Funeral Mass

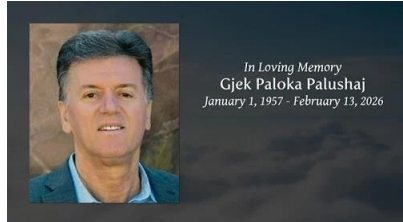
FEB 19. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Paul Albanian Community Church  
525 W. Auburn Road  
Rochester Hills, MI 48307

# Tribute Wall



“ *Wujek ~ Calcaterra & Sons, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Gjek Paloka Palushaj*



Wujek ~ Calcaterra & Sons, Inc. - February 18 at 10:07 AM

DF

“ *Dr Hannna and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.*



Dr Hannna and family - February 19 at 03:21 PM

DF

“ *Dr Hannna and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.*

Dr Hannna and family - February 19 at 03:21 PM

GF

“ *Gianna Bahri and Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.*



Gianna Bahri and Family - February 18 at 11:05 PM

TM

“ *The Kraniak Family (Alexis, Brian, Madi) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.*

**The Kraniak Family (Alexis, Brian, Madi)** - February 18 at 10:39 PM

TM

“ *The Kraniak Family (Alexis, Brian, Madi) purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.*



**The Kraniak Family (Alexis, Brian, Madi)** - February 18 at 10:39 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.*

February 18 at 08:33 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.*



February 18 at 08:33 AM

CM

“ Gjek and his big personality will be missed. Walking into Redford Grill, he always invited us in with his warm smile and greeted us as we were his own family. May you Rest in peace Gjek. We will miss you.



Carolyn Mangipudi - February 18 at 07:52 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.



February 18 at 07:34 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.

February 18 at 07:34 AM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.



February 17 at 09:17 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.

February 17 at 09:17 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.

February 17 at 07:16 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.



February 17 at 07:16 PM



“ A Full Life was purchased for the family of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.



February 17 at 01:02 PM



“ DarleneDuBose and Angela Moore planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.

**DarleneDuBose and Angela Moore** - February 17 at 08:47 AM

DM

“ *DarleneDuBose and Angela Moore purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.*



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**DarleneDuBose and Angela Moore** - February 17 at 08:47 AM

AD

“ *The Desselle family sends you all so much love and strength. Your family has always been pleasant to mine . He will def be remiss loving and kind. May God give you strength , comfort and surround you with love. We love you all.*

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**Angela Desselle** - February 17 at 08:09 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.*

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February 16 at 07:34 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.*



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February 16 at 07:34 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.*



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February 16 at 03:42 PM



“ *Redford Grill Family purchased the Strength & So lace Spray for the family of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.*



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**Redford Grill Family** - February 14 at 05:51 PM



“ *Your Friends at Detroit Mercy Law purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.*



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**Your Friends at Detroit Mercy Law** - February 14 at 04:36 PM



“ *Jani and Redina purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.*



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**Jani and Redina** - February 14 at 04:33 PM

KM

“ Kris Memcaj lit a candle in memory of Gjek Paloka Palushaj



Kris Memcaj - February 14 at 02:45 PM

GF

“ Gjon Prenk Sinishtaj & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.

Gjon Prenk Sinishtaj & Family - February 14 at 02:25 PM

GF

“ Gjon Prenk Sinishtaj & Family purchased the Divine Light for the family of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.



Gjon Prenk Sinishtaj & Family - February 14 at 02:25 PM

VJ

“ Vasel Lisa Nik Tom Juncaj planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.

Vasel Lisa Nik Tom Juncaj - February 14 at 01:47 PM

VJ

“ Vasel Lisa Nik Tom Juncaj purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.



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Vasel Lisa Nik Tom Juncaj - February 14 at 01:47 PM

KF

“ Kol Zefi Ujkaj Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.

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Kol Zefi Ujkaj Family - February 14 at 01:30 PM

KF

“ Kol Zefi Ujkaj Family purchased the Divine Light for the family of Gjek Paloka Palushaj.



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Kol Zefi Ujkaj Family - February 14 at 01:30 PM