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Beloved husband of Angela (nee Maisano) for 56 wonderful years. Loving father of Josephine (Michael) Mangano, Sarah Roberts and Antoinette (Anthony) Solitro-Jennings. Proud and adored grandfather of Anthony (Rachel), Rich (Lauren), Larina, Angela, Gabriella, Evan, Michael, Carmella and great-grandfather of Leonardo Pietro. Predeceased by his dear sister Caterina and parents Filippo and Giuseppina.

Pietro Solitro, beloved husband, father, grandfather, and friend, passed away peacefully on May 9, 2025, at the age of 82. Born on July 31, 1942, in Castelluzzo, Sicily, Italy, he was the cherished son of the late Filippo and Giuseppina Solitro.

In 1966, Pietro immigrated to the United States, settling in Detroit, Michigan, where he met the love of his life, Angela. They were married shortly after and spent the next 56 years building a life rooted in love, devotion, and family. Together they raised three daughters—Josie, Sarah, and Antoinette—who brought him immense pride and joy. Pietro was a devoted grandfather to eight grandchildren and a great-grandfather to one great-grandson, whom he adored deeply.

Pietro worked for the Ford Motor Company for 32 years, always proud of his career and contributions. He could often be found wearing his Ford Motor shirt with pride—a symbol of his strong work ethic and loyalty.

A passionate fan of sports, Pietro especially loved watching car racing, particularly Formula 1 and the Grand Prix. He was an enthusiastic supporter of all the Detroit sports teams and never missed a chance to cheer them on.

Pietro's love for gardening was legendary. From spring through summer, he could often be found tending his lush garden, where he grew tomatoes, basil, squash, eggplant, and especially his beloved cucuzza (zucchini), as well as fig and peach trees. His roses were always a source of beauty and pride. Every plant reflected the care and heart he poured into his garden year after year.

A proud Sicilian, Pietro shared his heritage with everyone he met. He passed down the values, traditions, and customs of his homeland to his children and grandchildren, ensuring that the spirit of Sicily lives on through them.

Pietro had a generous spirit, a quick wit, and a contagious laugh. He loved to bring joy to others and was always ready with a story or a joke. His greatest joy was being surrounded by his family—Angela, his daughters, grandchildren, and great-grandson were truly his world.

Pietro was a loyal and true friend to many. He will be remembered for his big heart, unwavering kindness, and the deep love he gave so freely. He will be deeply missed by all who had the honor of knowing him.

Visitation Thursday 3-9pm with a 7pm Rosary at Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons, Inc. 36900 Schoenherr at Metro Parkway (16 Mile). Instate Friday 10:30am until the time of the 11am Mass at St Malachy Catholic Church, 14115 E 14 Mile Rd, Sterling Heights, MI 48312. Entombment at Resurrection Cemetery.

Please share memories with the family at their "On-Line Guestbook" at
WujekCalcaterra.com

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 15. 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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

Rosary

MAY 15. 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Instate / Funeral Mass

MAY 16. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Malachy Catholic Church
14115 14 Mile Road
Sterling Heights, MI 48312

Tribute Wall



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Pietro Solitro.*



May 15, 2025 at 03:03 PM



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

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NT

“ *Nathan Tomac purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Pietro Solitro.*



Nathan Tomac - May 14, 2025 at 11:36 PM

CS

“ *Chris Nevens and Munch's Supply purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Pietro Solitro.*



Chris Nevens and Munch's Supply - May 14, 2025 at 03:41 PM

VC

“ *Antoinette and family I send my condolences. May your father rest peacefully. ~Vanessa~*



vanessa cook - May 13, 2025 at 10:27 PM

TA

“ *The BPM group @ AIT purchased the Heavenly Light for the family of Pietro Solitro.*



The BPM group @ AIT - May 13, 2025 at 12:02 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Pietro Solitro.*



May 13, 2025 at 11:39 AM



“ *Michelle Sorum purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Pietro Solitro.*



Michelle Sorum - May 13, 2025 at 12:18 AM



“ *Michelle Sorum planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pietro Solitro.*

Michelle Sorum - May 13, 2025 at 12:18 AM



“ *I am so sad and sorry the loss of this beautiful man. From the moment I met him he always treated me like family. I loved listening to his stories. He always had so much to share and was always so welcoming and loving. He was so proud of all of his girls. His grandchildren were his pride and joy. I don't think I ever left his home without a full belly and fruits and vegetables from his garden. I feel very blessed to have known him and will miss him beyond measure.*

Jennifer Rollinger - May 12, 2025 at 09:43 PM

MS

“ *My heart goes out to Angie and family. Pete was such a nice guy. My prayers are with you all.*

mary ann suwinski - May 12, 2025 at 09:29 PM

JK

“ *Julie Kisell lit a candle in memory of Pietro Solitro*



julie kisell - May 12, 2025 at 09:20 PM

FL

“ *The best of the best a pure gold hearted man. You will surely be missed by many of us. R.I.P. 💔*



Francesca leflore - May 12, 2025 at 09:12 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Pietro Solitro.*



May 12, 2025 at 05:29 PM



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