



Norman F. Palko

August 21, 1929 - July 4, 2023

Norman F. Palko, age 93, of Lorain, passed away peacefully at Mercy New Life Hospice on the evening of Tuesday July 4, 2023.

Norm was born in Lorain and attended Holy Trinity School and went on to graduate from St. Mary's High School. He then enrolled in the School of Pharmacy at Ohio Northern University in Ada, Ohio where he earned his Bachelor's of Science Degree in Pharmacy. While enrolled at the university, he was a member of the Theta Kappa Phi Fraternity.

Norm was a veteran of the United States Army and fulfilled duty assignments as a Pharmacy Technician during the Korean War.

Amongst all of his other accomplishments, Norm was most proud of his work ethic in serving as a pharmacist for more than a half century. He was the owner of the Houff Pharmacy formerly located at West 18th Street and Oberlin Avenue for many years; upon its closing, Norm joined the Rite Aid Pharmacy Network where he continued to work as a pharmacist until the time of retirement.

In his free time he enjoyed bowling and was the sponsor of a number of teams while participating as an active league bowler himself. When his schedule permitted, he also enjoyed going on bus trips and casino junkets.

Norm was preceded in death by his father John Palko, mother Emily Palko (nee Cverna), and brother Alan Palko. He is survived by a daughter, his sister Jayne, and several cousins.

Visitation will be take place in St. Peter Parish – 3501 Oberlin Avenue, Lorain on Saturday July 8th, 2023 from 11:00 a.m. until the time of his Mass of Christian Burial at 12:00 noon. Reverend Craig M. Hovanec, pastor of the parish will officiate. Burial will follow in Calvary Cemetery, Lorain.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in Norm's memory are encouraged to either St. Peter Parish, 3655 Oberlin Avenue, Lorain, OH 44053 or to St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Parish – 2143 Homewood Drive, Lorain, OH 44055.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Gluvna-Shimo-Hromada Funeral Chapel. To share your memories and condolences with the Palko Family, please visit www.gluvnashimohromada.com.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

555 N Ridge Rd
Lorain, OH 44053
<https://clecem.org/Cemeteries/CalvaryLorain.aspx>

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 8. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Peter Parish
3501 Oberlin Avenue
Lorain, OH 44053

Funeral Mass

JUL 8. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

St. Peter Parish
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Lorain, OH 44053

Interment

JUL 8. 1:30 PM - 1:45 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Connie Davis - August 08, 2023 at 11:33 PM

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*Aug. 21, 2024
Happy Heavenly Birthday, Dad*

Connie - August 22, 2024 at 11:45 AM

CD

“ *I just heard and am so sad. I am really going to miss getting his letters and pictures. He was a really good man and I have many good memories. I'm sorry I didn't get back there for a visit. Jayne - if there is anything I can do please reach out to me. I am so sorry. With love, Connie*

Connie Davis - July 12, 2023 at 12:48 AM

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“ Jayne, I’m so sorry for your loss. I will miss Norm’s positive attitude. He would come in to cardiac rehab every day with a smile on his face, and we’d have the same routine. “Mornin’ Norman!” I’d say, and he’d stop, look sideways and wish me a genuine good morning. When I’d ask how he was doing, he’d always say the same thing...”I’m good! It’s all about how you feel in here”, pointing to his head. He shared lots of stories through the years, of his work as a pharmacist his volunteer work at the clinic, his service in Korea and the freezing cold, and most of all he would speak of his love for you and his brother. You took great care of him. He was a good man, and I will remember him.

Leanne Rufo (Norm’s cardiac rehab nurse).

Leanne Rufo - July 07, 2023 at 07:11 AM