



Norwin Herman Raus Jr.

May 5, 1937 - March 29, 2026

It is with heavy hearts that we share the passing of Norwin Herman Raus Jr. of Manchester, Michigan. Norwin passed away peacefully at the age 88 on Sunday, March 29, 2026 with family and friends by his side. Norwin was born in Scio Township on May 5, 1937 to the late Norwin Raus Sr. and Hilda (Dieterle) Raus. Norwin graduated from Saline High School in 1954. He served 2 years in the United States Navy aboard the USS Henry W. Tucker with his brother Edward. Norwin then returned home to the love of his life Janet Reed. They immediately wed on August 30, 1957 and enjoyed 63 years of marriage. They were blessed with two sons, Robert Norwin and Norwin Robert III. Norwin is survived by his son Norwin R. Raus III and his sister Kathrene Hoey. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife Janet, eldest son Robert, and his siblings Edward, Magdalene, and Frederick. He is also survived by several cousins, nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews.

Early in life he worked at Hall's Grocery. Norwin then hired in at R & B Machine Tool. He took great pride in working for R & B Machine Tool for 40+ years where he walked to work every day. Norwin collected antique John Deere tractors and cars that caught his attention. He enjoyed tinkering on different projects. Norwin's attention to detail allowed him to craft beautiful grandfather clocks. He also had a unique hobby of making homemade wine that was enjoyed by many. Including the communion wine that is still used at

St. Paul United Church of Christ where he was a member. Norwin is loved by many and will be greatly missed.

Friends may join the family for a time of visitation on Tuesday, April 7th, 2026 from 3:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. at the Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home in Saline. Visitation will continue on Wednesday, April 8th from 10:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. at St. Paul United Church of Christ in Saline. Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 A.M. with Pastor Jim Coran officiating. Burial will follow the service and will be held in the Oakwood Cemetery in Saline where he will be laid to rest with his wife Janet. Military Honors will be held under the auspices of the Veteran's Honor Guard of Washtenaw County. A luncheon will also be held following the service and will take place at the Church. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Norwin's name may be made to St. Paul United Church of Christ, 122 West Michigan Ave. Saline, MI 48176. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home and at the Church. To leave a memory you have of Norwin, to sign his guestbook or for directions please visit www.rbfhsaline.com

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

227 West Michigan Ave
Saline, MI 48176

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 7. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home & Cremation Services
301 E Michigan Ave
Saline, MI 48176
(734) 429-9760
rbfhsaline@hotmail.com
<https://www.rbfhsaline.com>

Visitation

APR 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Paul United Church of Christ Saline
122 W. Michigan Ave.
Saline, MI

Funeral Service

APR 8. 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM (ET)

St. Paul United Church of Christ Saline
122 W. Michigan Ave.
Saline, MI

Graveside Service

APR 8. 12:15 PM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Oakwood Cemetery
227 W Michigan Ave
Saline, MI 48176

Tribute Wall

MS

“ *Sending a voice from Germany – my heartfelt condolences and deepest sympathy to the family.*

After I bought the blue 1965 Cadillac from Norwin Herman Raus Jr.'s collection, I sent him a few photos of me driving it here in Bavaria. To my great surprise and joy, he personally gave me a call. We ended up having a really lovely half-hour conversation about the car, his memories with it, and just life in general.

I'll remember him as a truly kind gentleman. I promised him I would take good care of his car and honor it – and I intend to keep that promise.”



Michael Stoll - May 01 at 12:48 PM

RB

“ *205 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home & Cremation Services - April 04 at 03:42 PM

LR

“ We are very sorry to hear of Norwin's passing. A nicer person can not be found, he will be missed by so many. Larry and Robyn Robison

Larry and Robyn Robison - April 03 at 10:39 AM

GK

“ i'll go back a few years, i remember as a kid when norwin worked at hull's, i would go in to store and talk to him every now and then, and he was very nice. he would be behind the meat counter, always wore a white apron; i would fill up my bike tire's with there air hose they had there because it was a leonard gas station and grocery store r.i.p. norwin

gary kangas - April 01 at 07:28 AM

CD

“ Norwin was a loyal and gentle soul. He loved his sons and his beloved wife, Janet. I met him in 1976. Over the years, whenever we ran into each other, he always knew my name and always had a smile. I sincerely hope his son, Norwin can find comfort in wonderful memories and the knowledge his parents are back together to get through this difficult time. May he rest in peace.
Carol Dailey

Carol M Dailey - March 30 at 11:34 PM

PA

I met Norwin when I joined St.Paul U.CC.in 2024 on Palm Sunday. He made my heart sing the moment I talked to him, and I will love him until I join him in heaven, where I know he is having a happier time!

Pat Arnold - April 04 at 12:51 PM