



Emma A. Soff

January 3, 1926 - January 5, 2022

RIGA – Emma A. Soff, 96, of Riga died early Wednesday morning January 5, 2022, at Ebeid Hospice Residence in Sylvania, Ohio surrounded by her family.

Born January 3, 1926 in Stamford, Connecticut she was the second youngest of seven children to Joseph and Anna (Masek) Hlavaty. Emma was a proud Stamford High School graduate. She met her future husband, Raymond John Soff, Sr. at a USO dance during World War II, while he was stationed in the United States Navy.

On July 2, 1945, they were married in St. Paul, Nebraska and later relocated to Riga, Michigan where they built their farm and made their lives. Together they shared over 55 years of memories and love until he preceded her death 22 years ago to the day - January 5, 2000.

A true farmer's wife, Emma "did it all." She helped on the farm, was a seamstress, gardener, and cook, but her greatest pride and joy was caring for her children and her home. She was always active. In her spare time, she enjoyed bowling, knitting, playing Bunco, and gambling for fun. She was also a member of the Red Hat Society.

Emma is survived by her five children, Sandra (James) Brennan of Bloomfield Hills, MI, Janice (Steven) Smrekar of Petersburg, MI, Charlene (Jay)

Hanenkratt of Pettisville, OH, Renee (Robert) Gordon of Blissfield, and Raymond (Robin) Soff, Jr. of Blissfield; 10 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren, with another one on the way.

She was the last surviving member of her immediate family. She was preceded in death by her parents; beloved husband, Raymond, Sr.; two sisters; and four brothers.

A funeral service for Emma will be held on Monday, January 10, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. at Wagley Funeral Home, Tagsold Chapel, Blissfield with Rev. Larry Betz, officiating. Burial will immediately follow at Riga Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 12:00 p.m. on Monday and continue until the time of the service.

The family suggests that memorial contributions to honor Emma be made to Ebeid Hospice or the charity of one's choice.

Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Riga Cemetery

Cemetery Road
Riga, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 10. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home Tagsold Chapel (Blissfield)
301 S. Lane St.
Blissfield, MI 49228
(517) 486-2133
info@wagleyfuneralhome.com
<https://www.WagleyFuneralHome.com>

Funeral Service

JAN 10. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Wagley Funeral Home and Cremation Service created a Emma Soff Funeral Service in memory of Emma A. Soff*



Wagley Funeral Home - January 09, 2022 at 04:44 PM

JS

*Sending love and prayers to you all.
Love The Savarese Family Jodi, Joe, Julia and Joey xoxo
I will miss Aunt Emma and all of her beautiful brothers and sisters.*

Jodi Savarese - January 10, 2022 at 01:38 PM

RE

*What a lovely service and tribute to such a beautiful woman. Wish we could have been there in person, but this was the next best thing.
Prayers and love to all of you. Renee Buckley and family*

Renee - January 10, 2022 at 01:45 PM



“ *Emma A. Soff*

January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM

RS

“ *Robin Soff lit a candle in memory of Emma A. Soff*



Robin Soff - January 08, 2022 at 11:36 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Emma A. Soff.*



January 08, 2022 at 10:24 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Emma A. Soff.*



January 07, 2022 at 12:55 PM

KE

“ *Thoughts and prayers for peace and comfort. Thinking if all of you and the great neiborhood we grew up in ! Hugs to all.*
Karen Bierman Ely

Karen Bierman Ely - January 06, 2022 at 05:43 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Emma A. Soff.*



January 06, 2022 at 02:52 PM



“ *With Love--Ryan, Tina & Owen Weasel purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Emma A. Soff.*



With Love--Ryan, Tina & Owen Weasel - January 06, 2022 at 01:32 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Emma A. Soff.*



January 06, 2022 at 12:24 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Emma A. Soff.*



January 06, 2022 at 10:20 AM