



## Ralph Joseph Smola

January 28, 1929 - October 29, 2025

Ralph J. Smola, a proud U.S. Navy Veteran and lifelong resident of Willowick, passed away peacefully at the age of 96 on October 29, 2025.

Born on January 28, 1929, in Cleveland to the late Michael and Mary Smola, Ralph built a life centered on service, family, and faith. He married the love of his life, Mary E. Fasham, in 1950, beginning a marriage that would last nearly 58 years until her passing. That same year, Ralph honorably enlisted in the U.S. Navy, serving during the Korean War. Following his military service, he dedicated many years of hard work to his career before retiring from TRW.

A man of deep faith, Ralph was a dedicated parishioner of St. Mary Magdalene Church since 1955. He was an active member of both the Holy Name Society and the Knights of Columbus. In his free time, he enjoyed fellowship through bowling and playing Pinochle at the Willowick Senior Center.

Ralph was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Mary E. Smola, and his daughter, Patricia Horabik.

He leaves behind a cherished legacy in his three sons: Robert Smola (Judy Ryan), Ronald Smola, and Donald Smola (Karen), son-in-law Michael Horabik. He was the loving grandfather of Kimberly (Steve), Michael, James, Stephanie (Brett), Andrew (Jamie), Benjamin (Colleen), Ronald (Carleigh),

and Mary, and the great-grandfather of Frank, Parker, Taylor, Robert, Mckenzie, Leah, Nolan, Hazel, and Oliver.

Family and friends are invited to gather on Thursday, November 6, 2025, from 4-7pm at Monreal Srnick Funeral Home, 35400 Curtis Blvd, Eastlake, OH 44095.

A Funeral Mass will be held on Friday, November 7, 2025, at 11am at St. Mary Magdalene Church, 32114 Vine St, Willowick, OH 44095.

Ralph will be laid to rest at All Souls Cemetery in Chardon.

# Cemetery Details

## All Souls Cemetery

10366 Chardon Road  
Chardon, OH 44024

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 6. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Monreal Srnick Funerals & Cremations  
35400 Curtis Blvd.  
Eastlake, OH 44095

## Funeral Mass

NOV 7. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Mary Magdalene Church  
32114 Vine St.  
Willowick, OH 44095