



## Gerald R. Varitek

September 12, 1940 - March 23, 2019

Gerald R. Varitek. Age 78. Jerry passed away on Saturday, March 23, 2019. Beloved husband of the late Anne Marie Varitek. Loving father of Dan Varitek, Joel Varitek, Jim Varitek and Tom (Tracie) Varitek. Cherished grandfather of Joshua, Jesse, Zachary, Anna, Ryan, Leo, Kate and Maggie. Great grandfather of Jonah. Visitation will be Monday, April 1, 2019 at Hackett-Metcalf Funeral Home from 1:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. The Funeral Service will be at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at Hackett-Metcalf Funeral Home. In honor of both Jerry and Anne Marie, we would like memorial contributions to the Stratford Festival to help support the artistic programming they both so enjoyed. With a seat endowment, one for each Jerry and Anne Marie, we can honor their memory, making them a part of the Festival for years to come. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Stratford Festival Seat Endowment at [www.gofundme.com/jerry-and-anne-marie-seat-endowment](http://www.gofundme.com/jerry-and-anne-marie-seat-endowment) or to the Make-A-Wish Michigan, 7600 Grand River Avenue, Suite 175, Brighton, Michigan 48114 [www.michiganwish.org](http://www.michiganwish.org)

# Events

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**APR**   **Visitation**   01:00PM - 08:00PM

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Hackett-Metcalf Funeral Home  
2640 Monroe Blvd., Dearborn, MI, US, 48124

**APR**   **Funeral Service**   11:00AM

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# Comments

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“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gerald R. Varitek.



March 31 at 03:39 PM

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“ My deepest sympathy of the passing of your father. I had the pleasure of working with Jerry for many years a Saturn Corp. Jerry was very well liked and respected by many of my fellow team members.  
Craig Markiewicz

Craig Markiewicz - March 29 at 06:39 AM

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gerald R. Varitek.



March 28 at 11:56 AM

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“ Our deepest sympathy for the passing of your father. I worked with Jerry for 7 years at Saturn. He was very instrumental in getting me comfortable with working in General Motors. He was a great guy to be around and will be greatly missed.  
Sincerely,  
Mark & Cindy Tasiemski



Mark A Tasiemski - March 26 at 06:57 PM



“ Thanks for sharing that wis Mark. Knowing who my dad was at work is valuable.

**Tom Varitek** - March 27 at 07:31 PM



“ Jerry was truly an example of a well-rounded individual. He worked hard and played even harder. He went out of his way to promote lasting friendships. Without Jerry, the tradition of “B-Cube” would have ended after GMAD was abolished. Without Jerry, many of us would not have the lasting memories of an outing with true friends at Tiger Stadium and Comerica Park.

My brother-in-law, Keith, has been a lifelong Tiger fan, and it was Jerry who treated him to the Tigers vs New York Yankees game on a sunny spring day a few years ago. Keith not only witnessed his first professional ball game, but he saw the Tigers beat the Yankees! Thank you Jerry for your kindness and generosity.

Bob Fitzgerald

**Bob Fitzgerald** - March 30 at 02:15 PM



“ We went to high school together. Your dad, Uncle Joe, Tom Ziemanski, and Ron Zacharias spent many hours in my folks kitchen playing pinochle. We spent most weekends together. We remained friends after we married, but life took us all in different directions. Your father was very kind and my memories of the entire Varitek family are precious. You're in my prayers.

Cynthia (Danielski) Frankowski

**Cynthia Frankowski** - March 31 at 09:17 AM



“ Jerry was the guiding light of the entire Saturn manufacturing engineering team. Even though he wasn't the "leader", all of the troops, including myself, took his advice over everyone else. We were never proven wrong with his decisions and directions. Mark "Tasman" will testify to this. We will miss him. Tom White

**Linda** - April 01 at 07:48 PM