



## Salim E. Kabban

October 10, 1947 - April 22, 2025

Salim Elias Kabban, a devoted husband, father, brother, and grandfather, passed away peacefully on April 22, 2025, in Harbor Beach, Michigan, at the age of 77. He returned home to the Lord — and to his parents, Elias and Helenah (Farhat) Kabban — after a life defined by his faith, his hard work, and the quiet strength that guided everything he did.

Salim was born on October 10, 1947, in Jaffa, Palestine. Not long after, his family was displaced and resettled in Ramallah, which he called home until his last days. He was raised in a Christian household shaped by hospitality, faith, and resilience — values he lived by and passed on.

In 1970, he came to the United States to build a better life. He made being an immigrant look easy, and carried that burden quietly while continuing to work for his family, right through the end.

By 1978, he had made Harbor Beach home, where he and his brothers, together, operated the family grocery store, Foodtown --- a staple in the community --- and one of the ways he touched so many lives.

He was married to Lily (Natour) Kabban for nearly 50 years. Together they raised three children: Elias (Michele), Rana (Jimmy) Issa, and Michael (Danielle). Their lives were his proudest accomplishment. That, to him, was

success. A life well lived. In his eyes, he won the game.

His greatest joy was being “Seedo” to his grandchildren: Michael Jr., Isaiah, Andrew, Jenna, Isabella, Alexander, and Abigail. To them, he passed down a way of life — dignity, love, and hard work, all given through his stories and the way he lived. In his final years, he became more reverent. His presence, even in reserve, was always deeply felt.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, April 26th at 11:00 a.m. at Holy Name of Mary Parish, Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church, in Harbor Beach, with Father Kevin Wojciechowski officiating. Visitation at the church will begin at 10:00 a.m., with burial to follow at Holy Name of Mary Parish, OLLH Cemetery. A Mercy Meal will follow at Infinity Event Center in Caseville.

Visitation will also take place on Friday, April 25th, from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m., at the Ramsey Funeral Home of Harbor Beach, with a prayer service at 7:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic School — a place he was proud to send his children, and one that reflected the values he held close.

Memories can be shared at [www.RamseyFH.com](http://www.RamseyFH.com)

May his memory be eternal.

# Cemetery Details

## OLLH Church Cemetery

Harbor Beach, MI 48441

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 25. 4:00 PM (ET)

Ramsey Funeral Home, Inc  
425 State St  
Harbor Beach, MI 48441  
(989) 479-3407  
<https://www.ramseyfh.com>

## Visitation

APR 26. 10:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church  
413 S 1st St  
Harbor Beach, MI 48441  
(989) 479-3393

## Funeral Service

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APR **26**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

KY

“ We were so very sorry to hear about Salim. When we moved to Harbor Beach in 1993 we shopped at Foodtown and got to know all of the wonderful family. Always enjoyed talking to them. Lily and family, please know we are thinking of all of u with our deepest sympathy. K and Tom

Kay Youatt - April 27, 2025 at 10:10 AM

KY

“ We were so very sorry to hear about Salim. When we moved to Harbor Beach in 1993 we met the family and really enjoyed shopping at their store, Foodtown. A very nice wonderful family. To Lily and the entire family please know our thoughts and prayers are with u. We miss u. With deepest sympathy, K and Tom

Kay Youatt - April 26, 2025 at 10:36 AM

TT

“ Taweel Family.. Fred and Rick Taweel purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Salim E. Kabban.



Taweel Family.. Fred and Rick Taweel - April 25, 2025 at 02:44 PM

KJ

“ My condolences on your loss. I'm certain that Salim is now telling jokes with my dad. He was a good man and will be missed.

Kim (Stickney) Jacobus - April 25, 2025 at 01:33 PM

AM

“ Amy Molinaro lit a candle in memory of Salim E. Kabban



amy molinaro - April 25, 2025 at 12:58 PM

JM

“ Julio & Leida Arley(Jennie Issa's mom) purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Salim E. Kabban.



Julio & Leida Arley(Jennie Issa's mom) - April 25, 2025 at 10:58 AM

DI

“ David, Jennifer & Jescenia Issa purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Salim E. Kabban.



David, Jennifer & Jescenia Issa - April 25, 2025 at 10:01 AM

EB

“ Elisabeth and Brad purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Salim E. Kabban.



Elisabeth and Brad - April 24, 2025 at 09:27 PM

MF

“ *Memory Eternal Aba Elias, what a loss. I still see you walking Main Street in Ramallah. Memories of our late night trips from Lexington, Ky, to Harbor Beach, MI are still fresh as though yesterday. Rest in peace my friend, you were a good servant to the Lord and raised a model, loving Family with dear Lilly. God chose to have you early during Bright Week to share in the joy of his Resurrection. Allah Yirhamak 🙏🙏❤️*

Michael Fakes and Family - April 24, 2025 at 05:19 PM

MF

“ *I'm at salim in 2011 I believe I worked for the chamber of commerce of bad ax and I enrolled him in the chamber so that the BP market got its word out he was a very very nice man everyone loved him*

Mary freeman - April 24, 2025 at 04:53 PM

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*VERY SORRY TO HEAR SALIM KABBAN PASSED AWAY. SALIM HE IS UP WITH THE LORD GOD BLESS HIM. NORMAN PEDROTTE*

NORMAN - May 01, 2025 at 06:50 PM