



## Josephine (nee Sorma) Bando

July 21, 1926 - August 7, 2024

Josephine Bando (nee Sorma) age 98 of Chardon, died August 7, 2024 at Residence of Chardon, Chardon, OH. She was surrounded by loving hands as she passed. She was born July 21, 1926.

Mrs. Bando worked for the Higbee/Dillard companies for over 25 years. She was a “people person” who enjoyed working in the retail environment and helping others. She especially enjoyed being the manager of the gift wrap department where her creative designs always made presents special. Josephine had a talent for designing beautiful packages and custom money wedding boxes with beautiful bows.

Josephine, “Josie” or “Jo” was a caring and loving person with an upbeat and fun personality. Her love was unconditional, and her sacrifices great. She had style and always looked her best wearing a gorgeous scarf with matching jewelry. During the summer months she wore beautiful floral sun hats. She loved the sun. She was a modern lady and firmly believed in equal rights and women’s rights. She worked a full time job, managed a household and raised children and grandchildren. When you entered her home you were always treated as family and her homemade chicken soup, breaded cauliflower and Italian cookies were the best.

RIP. We will think about you always and talk about you still. You will never be

forgotten, and never will. We will hold you close within our heart.

She is survived by her children: Gary Bando, Lynn Fiore, Sharon (Jeff Haddick) Bando, 5 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great grandchildren.

Preceding Josephine in death is her husband of 72 years Sam S. "Toots", along with her parents Filippo "Philip" and Maria "Mary" (nee Mancuso). She is also preceded in death by 2 sisters and 4 brothers, along with family and friends she lost along the way.

Special thanks to her Residence of Chardon family. Jo Jo was loved and cared for with great compassion. She loved her home and community of friends. She aged with dignity and grace and was happy and grateful for the beautiful life she was given.

She will be reunited with her husband at All Souls Cemetery, Chardon OH.

In memory, please donate to the American Cancer Society or World Literacy Foundation.

Arrangements entrusted to Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060. Please offer condolences at [www.brunners.com](http://www.brunners.com).

# Cemetery Details

## All Souls Cemetery

10366 Chardon Rd.  
Chardon, OH 44024  
(800) 582-6850

# Tribute Wall

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“ *The Pannell Family purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Josephine (nee Sorma) Bando.*



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**The Pannell Family** - August 11, 2024 at 10:48 AM