



## Donald W. De Vries

June 22, 1931 - March 26, 2022

Donald Wayne De Vries, age 90, of Holland, went to meet his Lord on Saturday, March 26, 2022.

Don was born in Holland, MI on June 22, 1931, to Jacob and Anna (Van Putten) De Vries. Don graduated from Holland Christian Schools and was married on September 4, 1952, to his loving wife and best friend for 68 years, Marie J. Geenen while Don was serving in the US Army. He later completed a degree from Holland Business Institute. In 1960, he started training in pest control. His work took him from Holland to Lansing, Detroit and back again to Holland over the years. He became the Corporate Sales Manager for Rose Pest Solutions. He participated in the Hope Academy of Senior Professional (HASP) and the Holland Rotary Club. Don and Marie spent 10 years volunteering for the American Red Cross. Two of their experiences included Puerto Rico after Hurricane Geoge in 1998, and New York City after "911" 2001. He was an active member of Christ Memorial Church, especially enjoying the years he and Marie spent in the choir. Don will be fondly remembered for his love for family gatherings, sports, card games, bowling, and traveling. He had an adventurous spirit, sense of humor, and a friendly nature with a twinkle in his eyes and photogenic smile.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Marie; brother, Jack De Vries; in-laws, Esther De Vries, Cornelia Dokter, Don Dokter, Sophia Hamberg, Betty Beyer, Pete Beyer, Adrian Geenen, Gloria Geenen, Jean Geenen, and Dick Geenen.

He was deeply loved by his children, Jan and John Ubels of Jenison, Phil and Gayle (Triemstra) De Vries of Holland, Mark and Jewel (Purdy) De Vries of Ellicott City, MD; nine grandchildren; twelve great grandchildren; in-laws, John and Louise Geenen, Jim Hamberg, Ann Geenen; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services are planned for 11:00am Friday, April 1, 2022 at Christ Memorial Church (please use entrances C and D). Rev. Steven Vander Molen will officiate. Burial will be in Pilgrim Home Cemetery. Visitation is scheduled for 6:00-8:00pm Thursday, March 31, at

Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home, 315 E 16th St., Holland. Memorial gifts may be given to Hospice of Holland and World Renew. Condolences may be left online at [www.langelandsterenbergh.com](http://www.langelandsterenbergh.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Pilgrim Home Cemetery

370 E. 16th St.  
Holland, MI 49423

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR **31**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home  
315 E 16th St  
Holland, MI 49423  
[info@langelandsterebergh.com](mailto:info@langelandsterebergh.com)  
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## Funeral Service

APR **1**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Christ Memorial Church  
595 Graafschap Road  
Holland, MI 49423

# Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenbergh Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Donald W. De Vries*



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**Langeland Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes** - March 29 at 01:54 PM

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“ *We have many happy memories of Don and Marie shared over many years. Our deepest sympathy to the family.*  
*Jean and Warren Stob*

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**Jean Stob** - April 01 at 10:01 AM

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“ *I am grateful to have known both Don & Marie while they lived at Royal Park and Royal Atrium. They would regularly attend worship services and often request prayers for family members with health issues. Don missed Marie so much and yet he was one of the strongest people I've ever met rebounding from serious health issues over and over. He will be greatly missed at Royal Park & Atrium - my sympathies and prayers to his family and all of his loved ones. Sincerely,*  
*Cindy Nyhoff, Chaplain*

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**Cindy Nyhoff** - March 31 at 12:11 PM



“ *So glad I got to know him at the Atrium. An amazing kind man* ❤️

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**Rick-Kathy Smith** - March 28 at 01:47 PM