



## Barbara J. Birtles

September 10, 1936 - January 16, 2022

Barbara J. Birtles, age 85, of Holland, passed away on Sunday, January 16, 2022 at Resthaven Care Center with family by her side.

Barb was a loving wife, and a caring mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. She was a woman with a big heart who liked to volunteer and support many organizations that provided food, shelter, and medical attention to those who needed it. She was a member of Community Reformed Church and will be remembered for telling stories about her love for fishing, her family, and the Lord.

Barb was preceded in death by her husband, Ronald, in 2008. She is survived by her children: John & Terri Birtles, Mary & Bill Eicher, Bob & Cindy Birtles, David & Rosa Birtles; 10 grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren; brother, Daniel (Karen) Cook; and brother-in-law, Chris (Sandra) Krauter.

A funeral service honoring Barb will be held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, January 22, 2022 at Community Reformed Church, 10376 Felch St., Zeeland. A time of visitation will be held Friday, the evening prior, from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. at Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home, 315 E. 16th St., Holland. Visitation will additionally be held from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. prior to the service at the church.

A second funeral service and visitation honoring Barb will take place Monday, January 24, 2022 at John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home, 1139 Inkster Rd. Garden City, MI. The visitation will begin at 2:00 p.m. with the service to follow at 3:00 p.m., all at the funeral home.

Burial will take place at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West in Westland, MI. Memorial contributions can be made to Matthew 25 Health and Dental Clinic in Fort Wayne, IN or Community Reformed Church of Zeeland. [www.langelandsterenberg.com](http://www.langelandsterenberg.com).

# Cemetery Details

**Cadillac Memorial Gardens West**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

JAN 21. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home  
315 E 16th St  
Holland, MI 49423  
(616) 392-2306  
info@langelandsterenberg.com  
<http://langelandsterenberg.com/>

### Visitation

JAN 22. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Community Reformed Church  
10376 Felch Street  
Zeeland, MI 49464

### Funeral Service

JAN 22. 2:30 PM (ET)

Community Reformed Church  
10376 Felch Street  
Zeeland, MI 49464

# Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara J. Birtles*

August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *"Our Hearts and Prayers go out to the entire Birtles family. Barb was always a friendly great neighbor and friend to all ... and the first person to invite us to the neighborhood Bible Study. She will be missed. Jim & Loray DeVries - Holland MI."*

**Jim Devries** - February 06, 2022 at 12:00 AM



“ *"Barb and I met through Community Reformed Church in Holland. We were both widows. She came from Indiana, and I came from Virginia. We developed a warm friendship. I am sad to lose my friend, but know her struggles are now behind her, and she now enjoys being in the presence of Her Lord and Savior, and is reunited with Ron and other family members and friends. My prayers will remain with her family as they process their loss."*

**Kim Parker** - January 20, 2022 at 12:00 AM



“ *"My prayers are with you and your family. I knew Barb for only a few years, but she was always upbeat and friendly when I gardened for her. I should only be as welcoming as Barb in all my lifes adventures."*

**Wanda E Falk** - January 20, 2022 at 12:00 AM

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“*Dear Birtles Family, So sorry to hear of Barb's passing. We have fond memories of her and the family in Mt Pleasant. She was a great storyteller, taking ordinary events of life and bringing out the humor in them. Like having multiple children in diapers at the same time. We think that at least one of the Birtles was in the New Life Singers. As a family, you all are part of our Mt Pleasant Community Church memories. May the Lord give you peace and confidence in the reality of her heavenly home. May you take time to grieve well. It isn't an event.... it is much more a process.*”

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Ed - January 17, 2022 at 12:00 AM