



Carl Kok

February 19, 1953 - February 1, 2025

Carl Kok, age 71 of Zeeland, loving husband, dad, and Opa passed away unexpectedly Saturday, February 1, 2025.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Sally; his children and grandchildren: Theo and Heather Kok (Jacqueline), Ben and Leslie Kok (Carsten), and Abby and Chris Wolters (Cole, and Mia); his siblings: Dia and Paul Kik, Winnie Arends, and Mike and Jill Kok; his brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law: Jack and Mary Kalmink, and Nancy and Paul Vryhof; and his beloved dog Buddy.

Carl's family immigrated from The Netherlands when he was 3. He was raised in Holland and graduated from Holland Christian High School in 1971. Carl founded Kok's Woodgoods in 1985 with his wife Sally, and he retired in 2007. In retirement Carl enjoyed spending time in his woodworking shop at home, building boats. Most recently he and Sally bought and remodeled a cottage on Upper Silver Lake where he loved spending time with his kids and grandkids. He dearly loved his kids, and grandkids.

Visitation will be 2-4 and 6-8 pm Wednesday, February 5, 2025 at Yntema Funeral Home, 251 South State Street, Zeeland and also from 12-12:45 pm Thursday prior to the funeral service which starts at 1 pm. Interment will be in Pilgrim Home Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society. www.yntemafh.com

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 5. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Yntema Funeral Home
251 South State Street
Zeeland, MI 49464

Visitation

FEB 5. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Visitation

FEB 6. 12:00 PM - 12:45 PM (ET)

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251 South State Street
Zeeland, MI 49464

Funeral Service

FEB 6. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

FV

“ Dear Sally,
In November we as a Dutch filmcrew were filming in front of your house when Carl called us into your house to warm up and drink coffee and do some filming. And now I suddenly saw the obituary of Carl. I am so sorry for your loss. My condolences to you. You were such a lovely and sweet couple to us. I don't know if you remember our visit to your house, but we filmed and edited the short interview we did in your house and I thought maybe you would like to have this episode? If you email me, I could send this to you. I wish you much strength. With greetings from the Netherlands, Femke Veltman. Femke.veltman@ntr.nl

Femke Veltman - June 02, 2025 at 10:30 AM

TY

“ Troy and Tracy Young purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Carl Kok.



Troy and Tracy Young - February 05, 2025 at 05:54 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Carl Kok.



February 05, 2025 at 08:39 AM

GL

“ GreenMark Equipment - E Lakewood planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carl Kok.

GreenMark Equipment - E Lakewood - February 05, 2025 at 08:39 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Carl Kok.



February 05, 2025 at 06:08 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Carl Kok.

February 05, 2025 at 06:08 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Carl Kok.



February 04, 2025 at 09:36 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Carl Kok.*



February 04, 2025 at 05:27 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carl Kok.*



February 04, 2025 at 04:50 PM



“ *Sally and family, we are so sorry for your loss! Ben, Theo and & Abby, your dad has been talking about you since the moment I met him and your mom in 1996. Very few things made his face light up more than when he talked about each of you (and then your children)! Sally, watching you and Carl interact with each other was always sweet, you easily expressed love and respect for the other!*

I am sorry we are in New Hampshire through Thursday evening but please know we are praying for all of you, have been and will continue to do so. We are here for you! Carla (and Maddie/DSIA)

Carla Dells - February 04, 2025 at 03:12 PM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carl Kok.*



February 04, 2025 at 03:00 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Carl Kok.

February 04, 2025 at 03:00 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Carl Kok.*



February 04, 2025 at 10:44 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Carl Kok.*



February 04, 2025 at 08:37 AM

TF

“ *The Swanson Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Carl Kok.*



The Swanson Family - February 03, 2025 at 09:31 PM

DN

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. Carl was the best boss I ever had. — Debbie Nicholson (Stephens)*

Debbie Nicholson - February 03, 2025 at 08:34 PM

LF

“ *Love, Jack and Mary Kalmink and family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Carl Kok.*



Love, Jack and Mary Kalmink and family - February 03, 2025 at 08:02 PM

SH

“ *Sarah, Rob, Reagan, Oliver, and Harper purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Carl Kok.*



Sarah, Rob, Reagan, Oliver, and Harper - February 03, 2025 at 07:13 PM

SH

“ Sarah, Rob, Reagan, Oliver, and Harper planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carl Kok.

Sarah, Rob, Reagan, Oliver, and Harper - February 03, 2025 at 07:13 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Carl Kok.



February 03, 2025 at 05:11 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Carl Kok.



February 03, 2025 at 05:04 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Carl Kok.

February 03, 2025 at 05:04 PM

JH

“ *Sally and family,
So sad to hear of Carl's passing. He always had something good to say..very friendly! I haven't seen him since I retired but when my husband brought his tractor/john deere equipment... he would always tell Jerry to say "Hi" to Marcia.
I'm sure he will be missed a lot.. remembering you allons prayers*

Jerry and Marcia Hoeksema - February 03, 2025 at 05:00 PM

RK

“ *Randy, Jamie, and the kids purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Carl Kok.*



Randy, Jamie, and the kids - February 03, 2025 at 02:41 PM

BB

“ *Sorry to hear of your loss of Karl. With our prayers and love, Bill and Norma Bruinsma*

Bill and Norma Bruinsma - February 03, 2025 at 02:30 PM

CB

“ *Chrissy, Jason & the boys purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Carl Kok.*



Chrissy, Jason & the boys - February 03, 2025 at 01:23 PM