



Carl Dale Wissink

March 13, 1938 - October 20, 2025

Carl Dale Wissink, age 87, passed away on Monday, October 20, 2025.

Watch the Memorial service live on Facebook or Vimeo at: www.frcz.org. Link will be active 15 minutes prior to service.

Carl grew up on a farm, and it was his first love. His love of flowers and gardening extended his entire life. He was a teacher at Zeeland Middle School for 33 years. He invested in students through his coaching throughout the teaching career. He was also the scorekeeper for the Zeeland Chix for 40 years. He loved the outdoors and was an avid hunter and fisherman. He was dearly loved by his family and will be deeply missed.

He was preceded in death by his brothers, Robert Wissink, Jim Wissink; and brothers-in-law, Jim Huisingh and Al Kooi.

He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Yvonne Wissink; son, Curt and Kelly Wissink; grandchildren, Rebekah and Ryan Claveau (Rhea, Beckham); Bethany and Alec Duzan (Hugo, Otto), Caleb Wissink; brother, Rick and Sally Wissink; sisters-in-law, Karen Wissink, Shirley Wissink; in-laws, Cheryl and Dar Lefers, Ruth and Alden Jelsma, Lillian Huisingh, Sally Kooi, Lois and Ken Weenum, Ben and Karen Gras; and his nieces, nephews, and extended family.

Visitation with the family is Noon-12:45 pm on Saturday, October 25, 2025, at First Reformed Church, 125 East Lincoln, Zeeland, MI 49464.

Memorial services are planned for the same day starting at 1:00 pm also at First Reformed Church with Rev. Kayla Fik and Rev. Scott VanOostendorp officiating.

Memorial contributions in Carl's honor may be given to First Reformed Church of Zeeland.

The family wishes to express their gratitude for the outstanding care their father received at Quincy Place, Elara Hospice, and especially from his care giver, Janae.

www.yntemafh.com

Cemetery Details

Zeeland Cemetery (OLD)

Lincoln at Church Street
Zeeland, MI 49464

Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT **25**. 1:00 PM (ET)

First Reformed Church of Zeeland
125 E. Lincoln Ave.
Zeeland , MI 49464

Tribute Wall



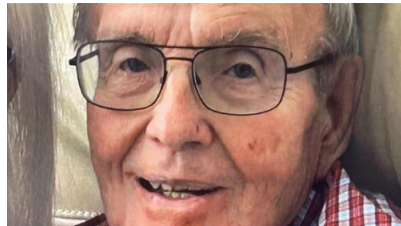
“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Carl Dale Wissink*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - October 24, 2025 at 02:21 PM



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Watch Memorial Service in memory of Carl Dale Wissink*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - October 23, 2025 at 10:59 AM

RS

“ I was very sorry to hear of Carl’s passing. Although it’s been many years since we were neighbors, I have always remembered him — and your family — with great fondness. Carl was a good man, friendly and genuine, and I have many warm memories from those days.

Please accept my heartfelt sympathy for your loss. I hope that in time, your memories of Carl bring you comfort and peace.

*With sincere condolences,
Rob Van Slooten*

Robert Van Slooten - November 02, 2025 at 11:05 AM

JH

“ I am so sorry to hear about the passing of Carl. Vonnie, Kurt, Kelly and family, my thoughts and prayers are with you in this time of loss.

Jim Hop

Jim Hop - October 25, 2025 at 12:17 AM

MS

“ Dearest Vonnie! Our hearts are saddened for you and your family. We remember Carl for always being so helpful as our neighbor. He was always so sweet. May God give you peace. How many years has it been!!!!

Mardee and Jack Sytsma - October 24, 2025 at 06:49 PM

KH

“ Mr. Wissink was my 6th grade teacher. I was in his last class before his retirement. He was the toughest teacher I ever had and the last to give me a B (including the rest of middle school, high school, undergraduate and 7 years of graduate school) (and I deserved that B). I credit so much of my academic success to his instruction and I think of him whenever I take notes. His strict adherence to proper outline form was drilled into me and I can't take notes any other way. Carl was also my mentor when I made profession of faith at First Reformed (also in 6th grade). I felt lucky then to have a connection to my teacher at church and I think knowing him outside of class helped me to appreciate the extra work we had to put into his class. I always be grateful for the impact he had on my life during that year.

Karl Hoesch - October 23, 2025 at 01:23 PM

TF

“ In 1975, I became the Director of Music at First Reformed Church. To begin my work there, I visited choir members in their homes. One of the first visits I made was to the Wissink home on Lincoln Ave. I had been charged with possibly starting a youth choir, so I was hopeful Curt would be interested. I remember Carl saying, "I doubt he'll be interested in that." Later though Curt played with a small brass group we organized. Carl was always kind and fun to visit with. He had several interests and was a true blue Zeelander. I am sorry to hear of his passing. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

Thomas Folkert - October 22, 2025 at 11:14 PM

PR

“ Rick and Sally, sorry to hear of your brother's passing. I enjoyed having him as my 6th grade teacher. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

Pam, Jody, & Mike Ramaker.

Pam Ramaker - October 21, 2025 at 08:29 PM

J(

To Vonnie and the Vissink family, My heartfelt sympathy goes out to you. I'm so sorry for your loss. May you feel God's presence and love during this difficult time. May God's comfort be found in His arms wrapped around you. My love and prayers are with you 🙏💙. Tooge

Jeannine Willyard (Tooge) - October 22, 2025 at 08:14 AM

JR

Dear Vonnie, we are so sorry to hear that Carl has passed away. We have such fond memories of when you lived across from my parents on Lincoln Street. My parents, Ted and Maria, enjoyed visiting with you, and Jim and Joy (next door), so much. Those were truly the good old days! Jim also has fond memories of teaching with Carl at the middle school. Sending caring thoughts to you and your family!

Jolanta Rynsburger - October 25, 2025 at 11:40 AM

AN

“ *Andreapfeiffer lit a candle in memory of Carl Dale Wissink*



Andreapfeiffer - October 21, 2025 at 03:42 PM