



Carol Ritsema

January 26, 1941 - October 26, 2023

Carol Ritsema, age 82 of Zeeland passed away Thursday, October 26, 2023.

She is survived by her children: Deb and Ed de Vries, and Kevin and Toni Hassevoort; her grandchildren and great grandchildren: Katie Haan (Bentley, Aubrey), Erin and Jeremy Russcher (Makenzie, Keagan, Alaina, Bria), Russell and Nicole Hassevoort (Gage, Gunar, Krew), Derek de Vries (Elijah); her stepchildren: Gerrit Ritsema, Samuel Ritsema, Wilma Stokes, and Robert and Kerri Ritsema.

Carol was preceded in death by her husband Gerhard "Jerk" Ritsema in 2010.

Carol retired from Herman Miller where she was employed for 28 years, and she also enjoyed volunteering at Zeeland Hospital. She was a member of First Reformed Church in Zeeland. Carol and "Jerk" were active for many years in the Vintage Car Club of Holland and The Model T Car Club.

Visitation will be 1:30-2:45 pm Sunday, October 29, 2023, at Yntema Funeral Home, 251 South State Street, Zeeland with her funeral service to follow at 3:00 pm. Interment will be in Vriesland Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be given to Hospice of Holland or First Reformed Church. www.yntemafh.com

Cemetery Details

Vriesland Cemetery

Zeeland Township

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **29**. 1:30 PM - 2:45 PM (ET)

Yntema Funeral Home
251 S State St
Zeeland , MI 49464
(616) 772-2173
info@yntemafh.com
<http://langelandsterenberg.com/>

Funeral Service

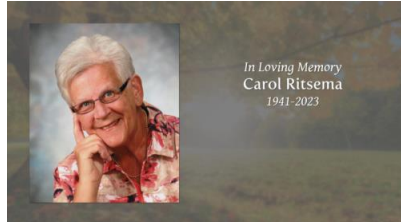
OCT **29**. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Carol Ritsema*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - October 28, 2023 at 11:19 AM

JV

“ *We will always fondly remember Carol (or Miz Ritsema) as Peter would call her. She was the grandma that he didn't have . With love and prayers . The Doug VanderPloeg family*

Janice VanderPloeg - November 01, 2023 at 08:16 AM

TK

“ *Dear family and friends of Carol, words can't express how sorry we are to hear about your loss. The memories we have of Carol and her husband Gerhard "Jerk" visiting us in the Netherlands are some of our fondest memories. Being able to visit and stay with you in the U.S. was an unforgettable experience and a privilege. We are blessed to have met you. We wish everyone comfort and strength during this time of loss.*

Your friends from the Netherlands, René, Betsie and Thijs

Thijs Groot Kormelink - October 30, 2023 at 04:34 PM

RF

“ We are sorry to hear of your loss. We have many wonderful memories of the friendship with "Jerk" and Carol and our Model "T's", and our trip to the Netherlands with them, which we will treasure forever. May God grant you his peace and comfort at this time.

Ron & Vi Flokstra

Ron Flokstra - October 27, 2023 at 08:57 AM

MR

“ Carol was a delightful volunteer at Spectrum Health Zeeland Community Hospital. Her dedication and devotion to patients, visitors, guests and staff were immeasurable. I hold my memories of Carol in my heart. Marge Rockwell, former Spectrum Health Zeeland Community Hospital volunteer coordinator.

Marge Rockwell - October 26, 2023 at 01:54 PM

CM

“ Carol was such a caring volunteer at Spectrum Health Zeeland Community Hospital. She was always willing to give that extra care/time when she was asked. She represented ZCH in the state volunteer organization, MAHA giving her time & volunteer knowledge.

I am sure she is in heaven organizing a volunteer group to help in any way needed.

RIP Carol!

cindi McPherson - October 26, 2023 at 01:28 PM