



Dale A. Folkert

January 2, 1942 - September 13, 2024

Dale A. Folkert, age 82, of Hamilton, MI went to be with the Lord on Friday, September 13, 2024, surrounded with love by family members whom he also loved dearly.

Dale was born on January 2, 1942, to Glenn and Minnie Folkert of Hamilton, MI. Along with his siblings, Glenn Jr. Folkert and Sharon (Jay) Lohman, Dale was a graduate of Holland Public Schools. He went on to graduate from Davenport University and worked a successful career programming computers for many companies, a job in which he found great enjoyment. Dale also loved to serve his brothers and sisters in Christ, recognized in his roles as a Sunday school teacher, deacon, and elder.

Dale began a relationship with the love of his life, Marilyn, at the age of 20. Their marriage was filled with great trust, loyalty, and passion and the pair radiated true love. Together, they enjoyed traveling, finding hole-in-the-wall restaurants, and spending time with their five grandchildren.

Dale was a gentle, kind, and humble man who loved his family tremendously. He was a devoted husband, loving father, and unparalleled grandfather. Some of Dale's passions and fondest memories included taking his grandchildren on trips and watching their sporting events. He could always be found in the stands, cheering them on with great pride and spirit. In his retirement, Dale

enjoyed working for Inontime and doing handyman work in his barn. There was nothing that he couldn't make or fix when he set his mind to it. Each Christmas, he made thoughtful and elaborate woodworking gifts for his family members, which they will continue to treasure. His family will miss his warm presence and contagious laugh deeply and will carry him in their hearts forever.

Left to cherish his memory are his loving wife of 60 years, Marilyn Folkert; children, Lori (Cal) Topp and Scott (Jennifer) Folkert; and grandchildren, Kody and Emmett Topp and Justin, Jarrett and Aubree Folkert.

A Celebration of Life spaghetti luncheon, Dale's favorite food, is planned for 12:00-1:30pm on Saturday, September 21, 2024, at Overisel Reformed Church, 4706 142nd Ave., Holland, 49423. A private, family-only graveside service is planned at Riverside Cemetery. Our family would like to extend our gratitude to Dale's doctors and nurses for their excellent and compassionate care. Memorial contributions may be made in Dale's honor to the Autoimmune Association, 22100 Gratiot Ave., East Pointe, MI, 48021. Arrangements are by Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home and condolences may be left online at www.langelandsterebergh.com.

Cemetery Details

Riverside Cemetery

Hamilton, MI 49419

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

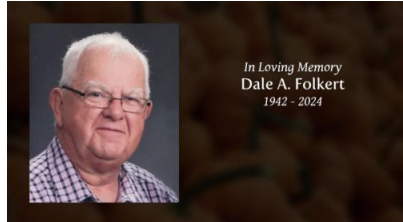
SEP 21. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Overisel Reformed Church
4706 142nd Ave.,
Holland , MI 49423
<http://www.orcministries.org/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Dale A. Folkert*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - September 18, 2024 at 03:50 PM

LI

Such a beautiful tribute to a wonderful man!

Lisa - September 30, 2024 at 04:35 PM

JW

“ *I always enjoyed talking with Dale when he worked at Inontime. Racing was usually a topic. I believe he took one of our racing engines to the Detroit area to get rebuilt in a Inontime truck. Sorry for your loss.*

Jason Wolters - September 19, 2024 at 10:18 AM

MV

“ *I always loved it when Dale and Marilyn would stop by the bank to take Lori out to lunch, or just to visit for a bit. He was always so funny and fun to talk to. I also loved hearing about the projects he was helping with at Lori's house or the nice things he made. Very sweet man. Thankful that he was a Christ follower and can be comforted to know without a doubt where he is right now. Praying for the family as they grieve.*

Mindy VandenBerg - September 17, 2024 at 09:54 AM

MS

“ I have fond memories of working with Dale at Lear Siegler where he worked in the computer department. He was always fun and full of mischief, always quick with a laugh or funny story. After many years of not seeing him, it was fun to catch up with Marilyn and him for breakfast at Jackie's in retirement. He was a kind soul with a big heart and he will be missed. Mary Shumaker

Mary Shumaker - September 16, 2024 at 03:45 PM

DJ

I had many cups of coffee with Dale over the years. He was a wonderful, Christian man! Duane Joostberns

Duane Joostberns - September 18, 2024 at 07:41 AM

LL

My deepest sympathy to the family.
Luanne Lampen

Luanne Lampen - September 19, 2024 at 07:38 PM

JL

Dale was my brother-in-law but he became like my brother for over 54 years. I will miss him deeply and forever. I know he will be welcomed by my wife Sharon who went to her heavenly home January 2020. Dale was a great father, husband and grandfather. He was a great Christian and friend.

Jay Lohman

Jay A Lohman - September 20, 2024 at 02:00 PM

MO

I am so sorry to hear of my cousin Dale's passing. We use to always get together at family reunions, but those don't happen anymore. I never catch any in the newspapers. I shall see him in Heaven someday. So many are up there now.

Mary Lu Obrenovich - December 22, 2025 at 09:22 PM