



Dawn Marie Slenk

September 12, 1949 - August 28, 2018

Dawn Marie Slenk, daughter of Jacob and Earlene Bakker, went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Tuesday, August 28, 2018. It was her life, her example, her mistakes, her joy, her faith, and her heart that molded her family into who they have become, and the fingerprints of her life are visible on many of her friends today. Dawn was a quiet hero. She had strong commitments to her faith, her family, and her friends. She modeled what it looks like to love others above herself. She is survived by her husband of 47 years, Dave, her children; Ben and Jennifer Slenk, Becky Genzink, Joe and Chanda Slenk; grandchildren: Christian, Elizabeth, Noah, Hannah, Taryn, Lauryn, and Camryn; siblings: Loran and Kathy Bakker, Cheri and Steve VanLoo; brothers and sisters-in-law: George VandeVoort, John and Phyllis Slenk, Harry and Sue Slenk, Bonnie and Roger O'Connor, and Gretchen TenBrink. A special thank you to the many family, friends, and medical professionals (especially Butterworth 5 Center, Spectrum Bone Marrow Transplant Team and Blodgett Acute Rehab) who selflessly cared for Dawn throughout the last two years. Visitation will be 2 - 4 and 6 - 8 pm Thursday, August 30, 2018 in the chapel of Christ Memorial Church, 595 Graafschap Road, Holland. The funeral service will be at 11 am Friday, August 31, 2018 in the sanctuary of Christ Memorial Church, 595 Graafschap Road. Memorial contributions may be given to Vista Springs for the continuing care of Dave Slenk or to Holland Christian Schools.

Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Dawn Marie Slenk*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - August 28, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dawn Marie Slenk*

August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *"Dawn you were always such a blessing to us. Rest in peace, Love the Merle Girls"*

A friend - November 24, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *"What a lovely lady. I have so many wonderful memories of she and Daveboth when living in Hastings and times visiting them at Lake Michigan. A strong woman with a strong faith....a strong example. Prayers and cares for the Slenks."*

carla wilson - September 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JI

“So sorry to hear about you Mom our deepest sympathy to you and your family”

Jin - August 31, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JD

“What a beautiful video tribute to Dawn! We are so thankful she is now with the Lord but we know how tough the loss must be for everyone who loved knew and loved her! Praying for peace that passes all understanding.”

Jack Dykstra - August 31, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JD

“I am so sorry I cannot be with all of you today to celebrate Dawns life. We have been friends since JR. HIGH!!! LOVE you all. Prayers for all of you. Jeanie Dewitte”

Jean DEWITTE - August 31, 2018 at 12:00 AM

CL

“Dave & kids,I'm so sorry to hear of Dawn's passing,she will be dearly missed. You will be in my thoughts and prayers.”

Cathie Van Liere - August 30, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SS

“Our thoughts and prayers are with the Slenk family. Dave and Sherry Schulz”

Sherry Schulz - August 30, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JA

“It is with sadness that I write this message, but with joy of the memories I have of Dawn. We grew up going to the same church, so I got to know her and her family. Then many years of not seeing each other but connecting again with friends playing bunko! She was a kind soul and fun! Dave was special too as we met each Veteran's Day at High School where he was so kind to my parents and family each year. So sorry to not meet you in person as we are out of town the next few days. We extend our deepest sympathy to your family. May you continue to live life to it's fullest with God's blessings of His peace, joy, love and hope. Know that you took great care of your mother and she is proud of you all!”

Judy and Bill Van Appledorn - August 29, 2018 at 12:00 AM