



## Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo

February 4, 1958 - July 10, 2024

Debra Lynn Delo, age 66, passed away on Wednesday, July 10, 2024.

Deb loved her children, grandbabies, and husband fiercely, but was also known as "Mama Delo" to many. She was funny, had a genuine smile, and was a relentless fighter with a heart of gold. Her tremendous faith carried her through the years, and she always gave her best love to her family. She and Brian just celebrated 46 years of marriage together. She was a shimmering and bright light in this world. She was loved by many and will be dearly missed.

She is preceded in death by her brother, Gregory VanBoven.

She is survived by her husband, Brian Delo; son, Johnathon (Ava Smith); son, Josh and Britt Delo (Lake, Haze); daughter, Brittney and Andre Martinez (Marlowe, Ira); parents, Ben and Rita VanBoven; brothers, Allen and Carrie VanBoven, Rick and Lisa VanBoven; in-laws, Merlin and Juanita Delo; many extended family and friends; and best friends, Paula and Gary Cuperus.

Visitation with the family is 5:00-7:00 pm on Monday, July 15, 2024, at Langeland Sterenberg Funeral Home, 315 E. 16th St. Holland, MI 49423.

Funeral services are at 1:00 pm on Tuesday, July 16, 2024, at Fellowship

Reformed, 2165 West Lakewood Blvd. Holland, MI 49424.

Burial to take place in Lakewood Cemetery.

Memorial contributions in Deb's honor may be given to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society., 1471 East 12 Mile Rd. Madison Heights, MI 48071.

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# Cemetery Details

## Lakewood Cemetery

Lakewood Boulevard west of 168th Ave.  
Holland, MI 49424

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **15**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home  
315 E 16th St  
Holland, MI 49423-4213

## Funeral Service

JUL **16**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Fellowship Reformed Church-Holland  
2165 W. Lakewood Blvd.  
Holland , MI 49424

# Tribute Wall

ST

“Debbie and Brian have been family friends for over 40 years, and I can't remember a time when Deb didn't have a smile on her face and joy in her heart. She was always grateful to see us and welcomed me with a big hug. She was a perpetual volunteer and supporter of her church family as well as her own. Best Grandma ever. I know she's supervising from Heaven with the love of the Lord guiding her. All our love to her family, Scott Tomberlin

Scott Tomberlin - July 16, 2024 at 12:04 PM



“Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.



July 16, 2024 at 09:07 AM

SK

“Sara + Kora planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.

Sara + Kora - July 16, 2024 at 09:07 AM

YF

“Your Gilbane Family purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.



Your Gilbane Family - July 16, 2024 at 09:07 AM

MR

“ So sorry for your loss. Marilyn Ronda

Marilyn L. Ronda - July 16, 2024 at 08:23 AM

TR

“ Tim and Christina Raab purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.



Tim and Christina Raab - July 15, 2024 at 02:51 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.



July 15, 2024 at 01:28 PM

MY

“ Dear Brian and family, we will miss Deb so much. Her presence will always stay at Sunset Bluff. We always had fun sharing photos and notes thru the years. Deers and bunnies eating our flowers. When in town, we looked forward chatting about mundane, loving, fun everyday things of life with Deb. She was a role model of true friendship, generosity and living fully the present moment. Our hearts and thoughts are with you all during these hard times. May the wonderful memories with Deb keep you strong. With much love.  
Daniel and Maria.



Maria and Daniel Yamamoto - July 15, 2024 at 12:48 PM

MY

*This photo was taken by Deb*

Maria and Daniel Yamamoto - July 15, 2024 at 12:50 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.



July 15, 2024 at 11:42 AM

FM

“ Frederick M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.

Frederick M. - July 15, 2024 at 11:42 AM

SF

“ *Smith Family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.*



Smith Family - July 15, 2024 at 11:20 AM

FD

“ *Fremont DPW purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.*



Fremont DPW - July 15, 2024 at 10:45 AM

TL

“ *Tom and Mike Ledbetter purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.*



Tom and Mike Ledbetter - July 15, 2024 at 08:33 AM

TL

“ *Tom and Mike Ledbetter planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.*

Tom and Mike Ledbetter - July 15, 2024 at 08:33 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.



July 15, 2024 at 07:15 AM



“ Dear Brian and family, our sincere condolences and deepest sympathies. Deb was a sweet kind soul with a bright smile and a huge heart. We will cherish the time she spent with our daughters at Lakewood Elementary School and later as a neighbor and friend to us . We are so very grateful to have known her , may she rest peacefully. 🕯️ 🌟

Anita Hall - July 14, 2024 at 04:12 PM



“ John Anita Louisa Gabi Hall purchased the Sweet Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.



John Anita Louisa Gabi Hall - July 14, 2024 at 04:09 PM



“ John Anita Louisa Gabi Hall planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.

John Anita Louisa Gabi Hall - July 14, 2024 at 04:09 PM

DM

“ Doug & Julie Maynard purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.



Doug & Julie Maynard - July 13, 2024 at 05:12 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.



July 13, 2024 at 04:12 PM

LB

“ Love Bret & Chrisy Van Boven planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.

Love Bret & Chrisy Van Boven - July 13, 2024 at 04:12 PM

SK

“ Scott and Dena Keely purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.



Scott and Dena Keely - July 13, 2024 at 04:11 PM

SC

“ Salon Cheveux purchased the *Your Light Shines* for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.



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**Salon Cheveux** - July 13, 2024 at 10:43 AM

JH

“ Justin Hein purchased the *Florist Choice Bouquet* for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.



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**Justin Hein** - July 13, 2024 at 10:02 AM

AJ

“ Aunt Judy, Scott & Shelley, Woody, Joyce purchased the *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray* for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.



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**Aunt Judy, Scott & Shelley, Woody, Joyce** - July 12, 2024 at 04:35 PM

AJ

“ Aunt Judy, Scott & Shelley, Woody, Joyce planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.

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**Aunt Judy, Scott & Shelley, Woody, Joyce** - July 12, 2024 at 04:35 PM

ST

“ Shape's Ford BU & Engineering team purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.



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**Shape's Ford BU & Engineering team** - July 12, 2024 at 03:53 PM

ST

“ Shape's Ford BU & Engineering team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.

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**Shape's Ford BU & Engineering team** - July 12, 2024 at 03:53 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.



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July 12, 2024 at 12:04 PM

GH

“ Gabe and Sofia Helmstetter planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.

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**Gabe and Sofia Helmstetter** - July 12, 2024 at 12:04 PM

MD

“ Mom & Dad purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.



Mom & Dad - July 12, 2024 at 11:54 AM



“ Deb was a beautiful person, inside and out and a valued member of our community. She will truly be missed. Much love to the family during this difficult time and the days to come.

Iman Kamran - July 12, 2024 at 11:28 AM



“ Iman Kamran lit a candle in memory of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo



Iman Kamran - July 12, 2024 at 11:27 AM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.



July 12, 2024 at 10:33 AM

RM

“ We are so lucky to be part of Josh, Britt, Andre, and Brittney's friend circle. This meant that we were blessed to have Mama Delo in our lives. She was the Mama of our group for many years and always made sure to celebrate us, encourage us, and be there for us in so many ways. Her passing is a great loss, and I know I will honor her in how I treat my daughter's friends in the future - with her kind of love. She made a big impact on so many lives, and I am so glad to have known such a wonderful lady.

*Rebecca & Roger Muller*

Rebecca Rodriguez Muller - July 12, 2024 at 09:53 AM

CW

“ Dear Brian and family, we send our deepest condolences to you all. Debbie was very special to us and we love you all! She leaves a void in many hearts! Howard and Corrine Westcott

corrine westcoty - July 12, 2024 at 09:00 AM

NO

“ None purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.



None - July 12, 2024 at 08:01 AM

AF

“ Ashley & Jason Finch purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.



Ashley & Jason Finch - July 12, 2024 at 07:47 AM

AF

“ Ashley & Jason Finch planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.

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Ashley & Jason Finch - July 12, 2024 at 07:47 AM

KG

“ Words cannot express what a sadness I feel in the passing of my dear friend for life, Debbie. Growing up with her brings so many special memories, especially youth group at church, cheerleading squad together, walking downtown almost every school lunch hour so we could catch a glimpse of her Brian at the store he worked at, Co-op functions with our dads, and especially being in each others' weddings. I felt a deep loss when she moved to Holland, living next door to each other as newlyweds was so cool- but life had other plans. Learning so many years ago about her illness brought her to my mind constantly in prayers and for so many years she battled bravely and always with her gentle spirit and great faith. Her courage and strength are something I was just amazed about and I am so happy she's finally able to rest in her Saviors arms while she waits for all the rest of her loved ones and friends to follow. Her legacy is her family, and so thankful she got to have such a great one. Rest in peace dear friend.

*Kathi and Jeff Gibbie*

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Kathi and Jeff Gibbie - July 11, 2024 at 10:41 PM

JV

*Brian and family*

*We extend our sympathy to you in the passing of your dear Deb. She was always so full of love and joy, willing to help in any way. She never complained about anything. She faced each day with joy and faith. Our prayers continue for you now and in the future.*

*Carl and Jane VandePol*

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jane vandepol - July 11, 2024 at 10:49 PM

TH

“ The Helmstetter’s & Hudson’s purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Debra “Deb” Lynn Delo.



The Helmstetter’s & Hudson’s - July 11, 2024 at 09:09 PM

TH

“ The Helmstetter’s & Hudson’s planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Debra “Deb” Lynn Delo.

The Helmstetter’s & Hudson’s - July 11, 2024 at 09:09 PM

KK

“ Kiah & Tyler Hoerle & Sharon Kowalski purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Debra “Deb” Lynn Delo.



Kiah & Tyler Hoerle & Sharon Kowalski - July 11, 2024 at 08:15 PM

MB

“ We will always see Deb's smile and laugh in our future Michigan sunsets. As Dad would say, "Beautiful". Love you! Mike & Robin Bilthuis



Michael Bilthuis - July 11, 2024 at 06:59 PM

MK

“ Mike & Robin Bilthuis and the kids purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Debra "Deb" Lynn Delo.



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**Mike & Robin Bilthuis and the kids** - July 11, 2024 at 06:47 PM