



Del Arendsen

May 12, 1938 - May 3, 2022

Del Arendsen completed his earthly race and went home to Heaven on Tuesday, May 3, 2022, at the age of 83. Del was born in Drenthe, MI and was raised in the farming community of Oakland. He was the third of five children born to John and Jessie (Louwsma) Arendsen.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother and sister-in-law Lee and Donna Arendsen, sister and brother-in-law Ila and Glen Molter, and his son-in-law Woody Ballard.

He is survived by his best friend and wife of 62 years, Muriel (Mert); his children: Michael and Krista Arendsen of Zeeland, and Barbara Ballard of New Baltimore, MI; his grandchildren and great grandchildren: Evan and Lia Arendsen (William, Emmaline and Oliver), Dan and Kelly Arendsen (Quinn, Luke, Asher and Eli), Izaac and Maddie Arendsen, Griffin Ballard and Sarah Loughman, Carly Ballard and Sheldon Hinkle; his brothers: Earl and Lou Arendsen and Gene and Marianne Arendsen; his sisters-in-law: Arlene Timmer, Pat Timmer and Esther and Mark Engel.

Together Del and Mert were blessed to experience the Christian fellowship of Bethel Church in Zeeland for all their married life.

Del spent his entire working career at Herman Miller Inc. retiring from Human

Resources in 1998.

In his early years Del much enjoyed a competitive game of fast pitch softball as well as some pretty serious bowling. Later he appreciated spending his leisure time on the golf course, something he and Mert enjoyed doing together, along with spending many winters in South Carolina and Florida. Del struggled with a muscle disease for the last 20 years of his life which limited his physical activities.

He was honored to have been able to serve his country with the United Army in Germany from 1956-1958.

Visitation will be 4-7 pm Tuesday, May 10, 2022, at Yntema Funeral Home, 251 South State Street, Zeeland. The funeral service will be 11 am Wednesday, May 11, 2022, at Bethel Christian Reformed Church, 515 East Main Street, Zeeland. Interment will be in West Drenthe Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be given to Zeeland Christian School, Rehoboth Christian School or Hospice of Holland. www.yntemafh.com

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **10**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

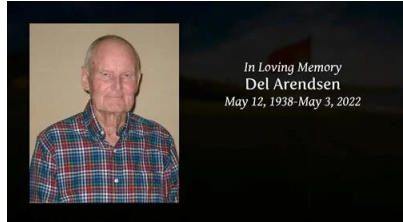
MAY **11**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Bethel Christian Reformed Church
515 East Main Street
Zeeland, MI 49464

Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Del Arendsen*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - May 10, 2022 at 08:18 AM



“ *Del Arendsen*

August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Del Arendsen.*



May 09, 2022 at 01:51 PM



“ *The Scully & Ballard Family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Del Arendsen.*



The Scully & Ballard Family - May 05, 2022 at 12:50 PM

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“ Such a flood of memories came over me when I read this obituary. Del and Mert were my second family and I love them dearly. Vacations with them and Barb and Mike to Spider lake or Florida still bring a smile to my face and today the smiles are mixed with tears. Always a warm welcoming home full of love and laughs. And today we can be grateful he has been made new and hopefully swinging a golf club. Much love to Mert, Barb, Mike , Krista and the rest of this beautiful family. We do not grieve as those with no hope, we will see him again❤️

Mary Jo Stevens - May 04, 2022 at 02:59 PM