



Delwyn Westrate

January 24, 1950 - November 16, 2022

Delwyn (Del) Westrate, 72, passed away on Wednesday, November 16, 2022, following a short illness, at his home and surrounded by his family.

Del was born on January 24, 1950, in Holland, to Matt and Ruth (Wassink) Westrate. He graduated from Holland Christian High School, and married Diane Molewyk on August 30, 1974. Del worked for Herman Miller for more than 35 years in various positions. Del and Diane are members of Hudsonville Reformed Church. He was a man of deep faith which was evident in his life. For many years he enjoyed selling new and used farm machinery to hobby farmers. He also repaired and restored various farm machinery implements. He especially enjoyed restoring his vintage 1946 Chevy firetruck. Del was a dedicated firefighter and first responder/EMT for Zeeland Township Fire Department. Del was loved and respected by everyone he knew, and he was a friend to all.

Del was preceded in death by his parents and his daughter, Sarah Marie, aged 5 months. He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Diane, and their children and grandchildren: Cynthia and Dan Kuipers (Emma, Clara), Stephanie and Lem Pierrenoel, Matt and Jessica Westrate (Zach, Brody, Logan, Mason), Dan and Rita Westrate (Raelynn, Tucker), sister Nancy and Elmer Sjaarda, brothers Arlyn Westrate, Ron and Rhonda Westrate, Randy and Marcia Westrate, in-laws Randy Molewyk, Cal Molewyk, Mark and Linda

Molewyk, Denise Molewyk, nieces, nephews, and many friends.

A funeral service will be held at 11:00 am, on Tuesday, November 22, 2022, at Hudsonville Reformed Church, 3950 Highland Dr, Hudsonville MI 49426.

Visiting hours will be 1:00-3:00 pm and 6:00-8:00 pm, on Monday, November 21, at the Yntema Funeral Home, 251 S. State Street, Zeeland MI 49464.

Interment will be in West Drenthe Cemetery. Memorial contributions to be made to Hospice of Holland.

Cemetery Details

West Drenthe Cemetery

862 78th Avenue
Zeeland, MI 49464

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **21**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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

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Funeral Service

NOV **22**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Hudsonville Reformed Church
3950 Highland Drive
Hudsonville, MI 49426

Tribute Wall



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Delwyn Westrate.*



November 21, 2022 at 02:13 PM



“ *Dell and I met 35 years ago when my wife Pam and I moved to Drenthe. I purchased a 1950 ford tractor from him. He later convinced me,wisely to upgrade to a 1954. He has been my tractor " pit crew ever since. My memories of Dell are many fold. Mostly he was always there for to lend a hand, and always hard an upbeat since of humor. I will truly miss Him , Larry Taylor.*

Larry Taylor - November 19, 2022 at 07:41 AM



“ *Del and I shared a love for old farm equipment. He would restore it and I would help sell it by placing it on the internet. That is how we met, but we became friends because he was a stand up guy, genuine, knowledgeable, and honest. He is in a better place, but he will be missed here.*

Don VandenBosch - November 18, 2022 at 05:26 AM