



Earl Welling

August 10, 1935 - November 29, 2022

Earl Welling age 87, of Holland, passed away on Tuesday, November 29, 2022.

Married to Arlene for 60 years, he is survived by his children Laurie Albrecht (spouse Andy and their kids Emma and Jacob) of Rancho Santa Fe, CA, Todd Welling (spouse Evelyn and their kids Michael and Katrina) of San Carlos, CA and Wendy Speet (spouse Phil and their son Phillip and his spouse Katie and their kids Addison, Ryann, Penelope, and August) of Holland and sister Arlene VandenBosch and sister in law Doris Welling (both of Holland) along with multiple nieces and nephews. Welcoming Earl to heaven are those loved ones who went before him, Arlene (wife), Brantly Speet (grandson), Hattie Albrecht (granddaughter), LaVerne (Pete) Welling (brother) and Marv VandenBosch (brother in law).

Earl, a graduate of Holland High School, served in the Army Reserve and then attended Davenport College of Business on the GI bill. Earl met Arlene in a typing class that Arlene was teaching. After college, Earl went into investment sales for a variety of companies.

In the late 1960's, Earl and Arlene bought the old Holland Furnace Picnic grounds on the north side of Holland and developed it into Leisure Acres, an event location for company picnics, wedding receptions, and class reunions

for 40 years before they sub divided the property in 1996.

Earl was a Life Member of the Holland Fish and Game Club and one of the original founders of Wildlife Unlimited now the Outdoor Discovery Center. In addition to fundraising for Wildlife Unlimited, he also worked with Hospice of Holland on their fundraising efforts.

Earl was involved with the Ottawa County Fair for 32 years and served in many different capacities. As part of the Fair, he brought top harness horse racing and the Wolverine Futurity to Holland for years.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, December 3, 2022 at Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home, 315 E. 16th St. Holland with Rev. Lynn Bruce officiating. Visitation will be 9:30 a.m. until the time of the service. Memorial contributions are suggested to Hospice of Holland in lieu of flowers. www.langelandsterenbergh.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 3. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



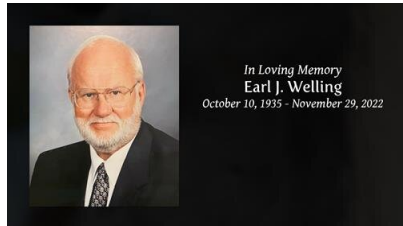
“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Watch Memorial Service in memory of Earl Welling*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - December 05, 2022 at 11:31 AM



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Earl Welling*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - December 02, 2022 at 03:52 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your entire family. I helped Earl with his computer for many years. Many times it would take only minutes, but we would hang out and talk for much longer. My son also sends his condolences, he would sometimes go with me and even helped him out with some yardwork. My wife also is missing him as she shared the joy of quilting with Arlene. I'm sorry this took a while for me to post and hope it makes it to you. I had a bad feeling when I called to see how his Christmas was and the number was disconnected. Again I am so sorry and he will be greatly missed.*

Steve Schamper - January 12, 2023 at 01:28 AM

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“ We send our sincere sympathy to you all. I am so thankful to your family for letting me spend four years at their barn with my horses. Earl was such an amazing long time friend of my father (Bill Kurth). Dad had said many times to me of how grateful, caring, and giving he was. Many laughs over their weekly luncheons never letting Dad pay. My prayers to you all for strength and comfort during these difficult times.

Terry and Ken Reimink

Terry and Ken Reimink - December 03, 2022 at 04:29 PM

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“ Sorry for your family loss. Robert Hoesli

Robert Hoesli - December 03, 2022 at 10:12 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Earl Welling.



December 01, 2022 at 05:59 PM

LJ

“ Earl was one of the finest human beings that I know. I spent many Friday nights with him and beautiful Arlene at Fricano's Pizza. He was like a second father to me and I will miss him tremendously! He is now at peace with Arlene who I know he missed dearly. Heaven gained another Angel! Hugs and prayers to the entire family! With all my heartfelt love. Laurie Smith Jones

Laurie Jones - December 01, 2022 at 05:35 PM

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“ *Our family always enjoyed the horse races at Ottawa County Fair.
They would not have been that quality of racing without Earl.
Roger and Nancy Wierda*

Nancy Wierda - December 01, 2022 at 08:54 AM