



## Erma Nykamp

April 17, 1931 - April 1, 2022

The video of Erma Nykamp's funeral service can be viewed by clicking here:

<https://youtu.be/r7ml-zQUbHM>

Erma Nykamp of Holland, age 90, was welcomed to her heavenly home on Friday, April 1, 2022.

Erma loved music and faithfully sang in the choir at Christ Memorial Church. She was an accomplished pianist and organist and most recently enjoyed accompanying the hymn sing at Appledorn East. Over the years, she provided musical accompaniment for countless worship services, including her favorite, Camp Geneva's summer worship. One of her greatest joys was ministering as a pastor's wife, a role she embraced for 64 years. Married to Bob, she was by his side as a partner in ministry in Gary, IN, Chicago, IL, Holland, MI and Bradenton, FL. Erma gave her heart in service by teaching Sunday school, leading grief groups, participating in daily vacation Bible school, and graciously opening her home in fellowship to friends and family.

Erma was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Rev. Robert (Bob) Nykamp in 2018; her son, Ross in 2011, and her daughter Beth in 2005. She is survived by her son Randy (Sharon) Nykamp, and daughter in law, Cyndi Nykamp; six grandchildren: Keith (Dawn) Nykamp, Dirk Nykamp, Nicholas

(Jennifer) Nykamp, Caleb (Rita) Nykamp, Lydia (Joshua) Gillett, Elijah Nykamp; nine great grandchildren, brother Orvin (Thelma) Deters, brother-in-law Berne (Shari) Nykamp, nieces and nephews.

A memorial service to honor Erma's life and faith is planned for April 13, 1:00 pm, at Christ Memorial Church sanctuary (595 Graafschap Road, Holland, MI) with Rev. Caleb Nykamp officiating. A time of fellowship and light refreshments will follow the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to Christ Memorial Church or to Geneva Camp and Conference Center.

# Cemetery Details

## Restlawn Memorial Gardens

994 Paw Paw Dr  
Holland, MI 49423  
(616) 396-4949

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

APR 13. 1:00 PM (ET)

Christ Memorial Church  
595 Graafschap Road  
Holland, MI 49423

# Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Erma Nykamp Service Video in memory of Erma Nykamp*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - April 15, 2022 at 10:49 AM



“ *Erma Nykamp*

August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *Lynette Gritters Eekhoff lit a candle in memory of Erma Nykamp*



Lynette Gritters Eekhoff - April 11, 2022 at 02:17 PM



“ *Even though we have not had much contact in a couple of years I will never forget Erma as a cheer-leader during my cancer journey. She stuck with me the whole way of the surgery . She took me to several of doctor appointments trying to heal the area I had surgery on. I will never forget( or ever forget) what she had done for me . There were so many ways she was there for me.*



*Life is just a stepping-stone  
A pause before we make it home  
A simple place to rest and be,  
Until we reach eternity.  
Everyone has a life journey,  
A path to take with lots to see  
God guides our steps along the way,  
But we were never meant to stay.  
Our final destination is a place  
Filled with love, His majesty and grace.  
Today we celebrate the life of a loved one  
Who has gone before us, the race she has won.  
Her journey has now ended,  
Her spirit has ascended  
Claiming the great reward  
With Jesus, our Lord.*

*Thoughts and Prayers  
In God's Amazing Grace, Hope ,Love and Mercy Always  
Lynette S. Eekhoff*

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**Lynette Gritters Eekhoff** - April 11, 2022 at 02:17 PM

EH

“ Erma was such a lovely, gracious woman. We enjoyed her and Bob in our growth group and a fellow alto in Choir. She will be greatly missed.

*Henry and Eileen Hofstra*

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**Eileen Hofstra** - April 09, 2022 at 10:02 PM

KL

“ Paul and I have many great memories of Erma. I sat next to her in choir for a while. We had many laughs. She also has been a member of our growth group for many years. Everyone loved her. Blessings to the whole Nykamp family. Love , Paul and Kathy Lubbers.

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**Kathy Lubbers** - April 09, 2022 at 01:28 PM

LS

“ Dear Nykamp Family, Where do I begin, Erma, you & Bob & Freestone families have had a very long history that goes way, way back. From wonderful dear families that were great neighbors, picnics in the back yard, kids in the kiddie pool, block parties. that trusted me taking care of there sweet children to have them be there for us when we lost dear Scott. Erma, you & Bob were the very first people to come to our family when needed most. I will never forget that day, you Erma, carrying a casserole dish (how She whipped that up so fast I'll never know) & Bob carrying his bible & wearing a suit, were there for us within minuets. A vision I never forget. Blessing Nykamp family.

*Love you all,*

*The Freestone/Schaftenaar Families*

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**Linda Schagtenaar** - April 09, 2022 at 01:15 PM

LT

“ Erma was my "alto buddy" when I first joined the CMC choir LONG time ago. A sweet and loving lady. She will be missed!

Lannette & Bill TenHave - April 08, 2022 at 03:23 PM

ER

“ May you feel God's comfort as you grieve. Our condolences to you.

Ernie and Melanie Rotman - April 08, 2022 at 12:21 PM

SH

“ So sorry for your loss. Erma was gracious and had a strong spirit.

Steve and Norma Hook - April 07, 2022 at 06:32 PM