



Frederick Van Den Bosch

November 28, 1927 - November 28, 2021

Frederick Van Den Bosch, 94, passed from life into life on November 28 at the home he shared with his wife Carol (Venhuizen) Van Den Bosch for over 62 years. Fred was the eighth child of John A. and Frederika Van Den Bosch and was the last surviving member of their eleven children. To view the funeral service of Frederick Van Den Bosch, please visit: https://www.facebook.com/162113063827221/videos/406601504539865/?__so__=channel_tab&__rv__=all_videos_card. Born May 30, 1927 in Zeeland, MI, Fred grew up during the Great Depression and came of age with WWII, difficult times which instilled in him self-discipline and integrity without robbing him of his unending capacity for love, generosity, joy, kindness, and—above all—faith. After a short term of service in the US Navy, Fred brought these qualities to the John A. Van Den Bosch Company, which he built with his father and brothers Bill and Marv. Fred's most cherished vocation was serving God, and out of that love, being husband to Carol; father to Mary (Steve) Koster, Mike (Mary) Van Den Bosch, and Mark (Nalini) Van Den Bosch; grandfather to Kerri (Caleb) Chamberlain and Daniel (Amanda) Van Den Bosch, Matt, Erin, and Annaka Koster; and great grandfather to Jackson, Ella, Eva, and Marigold. In addition to his immediate family, Fred is survived by in-laws Lorraine Van Den Bosch, Norma DeJonge, Jud and Joyce Deters, Marge Sankey, and many nieces and nephews. His generosity towards and investments in the future did not end with his own family; in addition to serving as a Cadet counselor, working with young people at The Bridge Youth Center, mentoring people in prison through

Crossroads Ministries, and asking every server in every restaurant how their day was going, Fred sponsored scholarships for education and ministry at several Christian organizations. More than anything else, Fred's life was defined by his commitment to God. A lifetime member and elder at First Christian Reformed Church Zeeland, Fred was never content to keep his faith solely behind the doors of a church. Whether leading Bible studies for migrant workers, sitting down to converse with someone, or excitedly talking about one of his self-proclaimed "crazy ideas" about how to share the gospel, Fred believed that faith was about meaningful words and deliberate action. He was a man of both. Visitation will be held at Yntema Funeral Home on Thursday, December 2 from 4:00 to 7:00 PM. A funeral service will be at Fred and Carol's home church, First CRC Zeeland, on Friday, December 3 at 11:00 AM. The family requests that masks be worn while in attendance at the visitation and the service, except when speaking with family members who are hard of hearing. Interment will be in Pilgrim Home Cemetery. In place of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to The Bridge Youth Center in Zeeland.

Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Frederick Van Den Bosch*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - November 28, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ *Frederick Van Den Bosch*

August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *"I have never met a more devout and compassionate Christian man than Fred Van Den Bosch. Growing up next door to him was a blessing as I learned the truest meaning of "Love Thy Neighbor" from a man who would drop everything to help someone who needed it no matter what he was in the middle of doing. He was a man who lived according to his beliefs and wore them on his sleeve as well because he wanted everyone to know the beauty and love of Christ. I never had to buy a bracelet with "WWJD" written on it because anytime I wanted to know what Jesus would do, all I had to do was think of Fred and what he would do and I had my answer. I feel very blessed to have known Fred and his beautiful family - the very best neighbors that anyone could ever ask for."*

Steve Gorno - December 15, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“Fred was a very kind, generous man. We will miss him very much.”

Larry Wildschut - November 30, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“I have never met anyone who LOVED to talk about Our Heavenly Father every time he would either come into our office or call us on the phone. He always had a smile on his face and voice! Beautiful human being and feel blessed to have met him!”

Carol Springer - November 30, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“Fred VanDenBosch was one of the most sincere Christians I have ever met. More than anything in life, he wanted to share Christ with everyone he met. Whenever I met with Fred he would share a thought from a book he had recently read or a sermon he had heard on the radio. Fred knew his Bible through and through and enjoyed challenging others with a thought-provoking Bible knowledge question. Fred was generous to causes he knew were thoroughly Christian. When he and Carol sponsored a scholarship, Fred wanted to make sure that the recipients were having daily devotions, so he supplied them with a book he felt with be uplifting for their spiritual journey.”

Bill Haverkamp Haverkamp - November 30, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“*Was there ever a more here-and-now representation of an outgoing Christian than Fred? It didn't matter that church would start in 30 seconds ... he was going to greet everyone on the center aisle of church personally on his way up to the front of the sanctuary where he and Carol would sit, no matter how much time it took. I remember doing worship in Eastmanville with him and Brother Don (Wierda) when I was a teenager. There was always a love for everyone and anyone who wanted to worship the LORD, no matter what the circumstance. Brothers Fred and Don made sure that the truth was presented always. Remember the beauty of the spirit while you mourn the loss of the person. I'm grateful to have known Fred even from afar"*

Kris De Koster - November 29, 2021 at 12:00 AM