

Gary Allen De Boer

January 22, 1959 - April 1, 2026

Gary Allen De Boer, 67, of Zeeland, passed away on Wednesday, April 1, 2026.

Gary was born January 22, 1959, in Grand Rapids, to William and Joyce De Boer. He went to Jenison Schools and graduated in 1978. Gary then went to trade school and became a machine repair journeyman for his work career. In 1985, he married Cindy Ellsworth and they raised their daughters in Zeeland. Gary and Cindy are members of Foundry Church in Zeeland. Gary loved the outdoors. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping, walking with his buddy Clyde in the Allegan woods. Gary also enjoyed spending time in the Upper Peninsula and working on his garden at home.

He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Cindy, their children and grandchildren: Emily and Donovan Bursma (Ryker), Elizabeth and Mike Mennes (Macey, Raiden, William); siblings: Cheryl and Gary Bigoness, William and Julie De Boer, Roger and Shawn De Boer; brother-in-law Jay Ellsworth, many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents William and Joyce De Boer, and his parents-in-law: Grant and Barbara Ellsworth.

A memorial service in Gary's honor will be held at 11:00 AM, Monday, April 20, 2026, at Foundry Church, 425 100th Ave., Zeeland MI 49464. Visitation will be 9:30am-10:45am prior to the service. Interment will be in Beaverdam

Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Foundry Church.

Arrangements are by the Yntema Funeral Home, 251. S State Street, Zeeland
MI 49464.

www.yntemafh.com

Cemetery Details

Beaverdam Cemetery

6630 Ransom Street
Zeeland, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 20. 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM (ET)

The Foundry Church
425 100th Street
Zeeland, MI 49464

Memorial Service

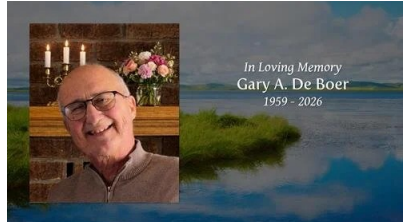
APR 20. 11:00 AM - 11:50 AM (ET)

The Foundry Church
425 100th Street
Zeeland, MI 49464

Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Gary Allen De Boer*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - April 18 at 03:43 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Gary Allen De Boer.*



April 19 at 11:28 AM



“ *Gary was one of my first friends at HMI. He was a valued co-worker, friend, mentor, and partner in mayhem 😊. His laugh was infectious and he always had a joke or a story for me that would have me laughing as well. Will miss him.*

Louie Myers - April 14 at 01:12 PM

CN

“ Dave and I have wonderful memories of Gary and his family from years at Peace Church and also of Gary and Cindy's daughter Emily and our daughter Sarah playing in rec sports together. We are so sad to hear of Gary's passing and are holding Gary's family close in our prayers. Much love, Cindy & Dave Nyhoff

Cindy Nyhoff - April 13 at 11:18 AM

TH

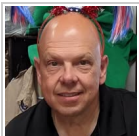
“ Gary was a maintenance man my shop I worked at when we meet. Then connected with him when we realized I married into his extended family. Cousins with my mother in law. Great man with a great sense of humor. He will definitely be remembered for a long time.

Thomas - April 10 at 07:32 PM

RL

“ Sorry to hear Gary passed away. Great memories growing up with Gary, Bruce, Jerry, and Doug at Grandpa and Grandma DeBoer's house and also family reunions. Gary will be missed. Ron Lampen

Ron Lampen - April 09 at 12:55 PM



“ Sorry for your loss. Prayer for the family. He will be missed.

Marty Schaner - April 08 at 10:11 PM

NV

“ So sorry to hear of Gary's passing. He always had a smile on his face and enjoyed helping others. I always viewed Cindy and Gary as a cute and loving couple. Condolences to the family at this sad time.

Nelva Vogel - April 08 at 07:09 PM

KH

“ Was very sorry to hear that Gary had passed, he was a classmate and was fun to catch up with at reunions. Will keep the family in thoughts and prayers during such a difficult time.

Kathy Hutchins - April 08 at 04:39 PM

AF

“ Amy Stellard Ann Jacobs and family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Gary Allen De Boer.



Amy Stellard Ann Jacobs and family - April 07 at 04:29 PM

TS

“ Team Sasquatch purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Gary Allen De Boer.



Team Sasquatch - April 06 at 06:07 PM

TI

“ I love ya, already miss ya. There's no one else I'd rather get in trouble with!



Tim - April 06 at 02:32 PM