



Gary Horstmanshof

July 17, 1944 - November 7, 2023

Gary A. Horstmanshof, of Jenison, passed away on Nov. 7, 2023, after a long hard-fought battle with Parkinson's Disease and dementia.

He was born on July 17, 1944, to Henry & Frances Horstmanshof of Wyoming. Gary received his master's degree in special education from Western Michigan University & taught at Battle Creek Public Schools in the Special Education Dept. for 30 years. He was a beloved teacher, a friend to his students & a trusted member of the staff.

Gary was preceded in death by his parents, his parents-in-law, Gerrit & Bertha Essenburg, and a brother-in-law, Glenn Essenburg.

Gary is survived by his wife of 55 years, Floreen (Essenburg) Horstmanshof, two sons, Dr. Douglas (Tiffany) Horstmanshof of Oklahoma City, OK and Michael (Stephanie) Horstmanshof of Shoreline, WA., five grandchildren: Sarah, David, Isabella, Andrew & Zoe, two sisters, Diane (Randy) Elve and Gayle (Rick) Vorenkamp, 2 sister-in-laws, Ruth Essenburg & Phila Essenburg and many nieces, nephews, cousins, great nieces & great nephews.

A special thanks to the administrators and staff of Waterford Place memory care unit. Your kindness, care, and love were seen every day and appreciated more than you will ever know. Also, to Faith Hospices for your close walk with

us.

Visitation will be 2-4 pm Monday, November 13, 2023, at Yntema Funeral Home, 251 South State Street, Zeeland, and from 9:30-10:45 am Tuesday, November 14, 2023, at First Byron Christian Reformed Church, 85641 Byron Center Ave, Byron Center, MI, with the funeral service to follow at 11 am. Interment will be in Borculo Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be given to the Parkinson's Association of West Michigan or Faith Hospice. www.yntemafh.com

Cemetery Details

Borculo Cemetery

6200 96th Ave.
Zeeland, MI 49464

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **13.** 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

Visitation

NOV **14.** 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM (ET)

First Byron Christian Reformed Church
8541 Byron Center Avenue
Byron Center, MI 49315

Funeral Service

NOV **14**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

First Byron Christian Reformed Church
8541 Byron Center Avenue
Byron Center, MI 49315

Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Gary Horstmanshof.* ”



November 13, 2023 at 09:11 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Gary Horstmanshof.* ”



November 10, 2023 at 01:22 PM



“ *Floreen, Doug and Mike - we are so sorry to hear of Gary's passing. We have so many wonderful memories of our shared time in Battle Creek. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. May Gary find peace and rest in the arms of Jesus. Chris and Marcia Wells* ”

marcia wells - November 10, 2023 at 01:22 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gary Horstmanshof.* ”



November 10, 2023 at 12:22 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Gary Horstmanshof.*



November 09, 2023 at 09:41 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gary Horstmanshof.*



November 09, 2023 at 06:25 PM