



## Gerald "Jerry" De Koster

February 27, 1934 - July 30, 2022

Gerald 'Jerry' DeKoster age 88, of Holland, went home to be with his Lord and Savior on Saturday July 30, 2022 at his home.

He was born in 1934 to Harry and Edna De Koster and was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He married Shirley Slenk, daughter to George and Anna Slenk, at East Saugatuck CRC in 1955.

Gerald was a member of Maranatha Christian Reformed Church and worked at several local boat manufacturers as a trimmer. He retired as a truck driver for Holland Special Delivery.

He enjoyed fishing and hunting, and spending time at cottages with family and friends. He also enjoyed driving and traveling to many states.

He was preceded in death by his son, Lloyd in 1998; daughter, Dawn Evink in 2019; son-in-law, Robert Copeland in 2019; sisters and brothers-in-law Jack and Esther DeVries and Jim and Bernice DeRidder.

Gerald is survived by his wife of 66 years, Shirley; son, Doug and Vicky of Rock Hills, SC.; daughter, Lori Copeland of Walker, MI.; daughter-in-law, Dawn and Michael Payne of Holland; son-in-law, Russ Evink of Vriesland; siblings, Don and Henrietta DeKoster of Holland, Sandy and Clint Meyering of

Southgate, MI; grandchildren, Jennifer, Jason, Matt, Michelle, Larissa, Jeremy, Kamarie, Kalynn, Dainen; 13 great grandchildren.

Funeral services with military honors will be 11:00 a.m. Thursday, August 4, 2022 at Maranatha Christian Reformed Church, 918 Central Ave. Holland with Rev. Matthew Stob officiating. Burial will be in East Saugatuck Cemetery. Visitation will be 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, August 3, at Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home, 315 E. 16th St. Holland. Memorial contributions may be given to Hospice of Holland and World Renew.

# Cemetery Details

## East Saugatuck Cemetery

4155 58th Ave.  
Holland, MI 49423

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 3.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home  
315 E 16th St  
Holland, MI 49423  
(616) 392-2306  
[info@langelandsterenberg.com](mailto:info@langelandsterenberg.com)  
<http://langelandsterenberg.com/>

## Funeral Service

**AUG 4.** 11:00 AM (ET)

Maranatha Christian Reformed Church  
918 Central Avenue  
Holland, MI 49423

# Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Gerald "Jerry" De Koster*



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**Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes** - August 03, 2022 at 07:40 AM

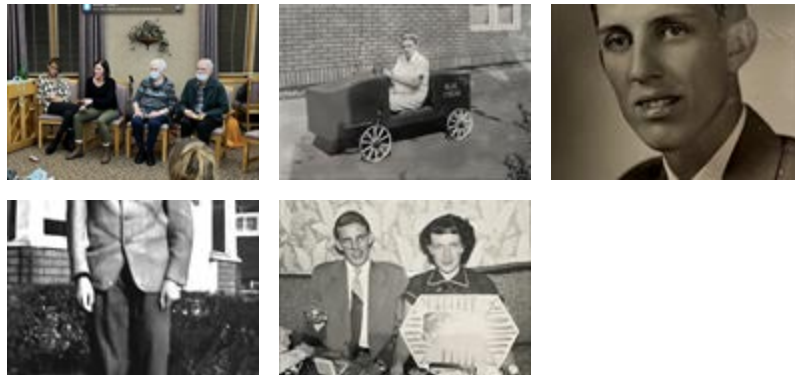


“ *Gerald "Jerry" De Koster*

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August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *29 files added to the album Jerry DeKoster*



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**ANdy** - August 02, 2022 at 05:39 PM

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“ *Lori & family, I am so sorry for your loss of your father. Wishing you peace at this difficult time.*

Joan Pratt - August 02, 2022 at 02:03 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Gerald "Jerry" De Koster.*



August 02, 2022 at 12:02 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Gerald "Jerry" De Koster.*



August 02, 2022 at 09:51 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Gerald "Jerry" De Koster.*



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