



Mrs. Gertrude Meerse

August 7, 1924 - January 4, 2015

*****PLEASE NOTE A CHANGE OF DATE FOR FUNERAL AND COMMITTAL SERVICES***** Gertrude Meerse, 90, of Brookcrest Manor in Grandville, Michigan, formerly of Wheeling, Illinois, passed away on Sunday, January 4, 2015. Gertie was born in the city of Bedum, Groningen, the Netherlands, August 7, 1924, to Derk and Seike (Bos) Ten Berge. She immigrated first to Canada and then the United States with her husband William Meerse after World War II. William and Gertie eventually settled on the north side of Chicago in Wheeling, Illinois. They were members of Bethel Protestant Reformed Church. In 1993, William preceded Gertude in death. Later Gertie moved with her close friends and family, the Jai Mahtani Family, to West Michigan. In West Michigan she was a member of First Protestant Reformed Church of Holland and then Hope Protestant Reformed Church. She is survived by her sister, Jannie Ten Berge Van Den Akker, nieces Martha Hoekstra and Linda Vander Naald, other nieces and nephews, as well as her adopted son Jai Mahtani and his wife Esther. She will also be missed by her church families with whom she was very close. A funeral service to honor the faith and life of Gertude Meerse will be held at 10:00 am (Eastern Time), MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2015, at the Yntema Funeral Home, 251 S. State Street, Zeeland, with Rev. Ronald Van Overloop officiating. Visitation will be prior to the funeral service from 9-10 am Monday. Rev. Jon Mahtani will officiate at her interment services 3:00 pm (Central Time) MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2015 at Memory Gardens Cemetery, 2501 E. Euclid Ave.,

Arlington Heights, IL 60004. Memorial donations may be made to Foreign Mission Fund of The Protestant Reformed Churches in America, 4949 Ivanrest SW, Grandville, MI 49418.

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Gertrude Meerse*

August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *"Gertie was a dear friend when she and her husband , Bill were members of the Christian Reformed Church in Des Plaines, Illinois in the 1970s. She was a guest in our home at times when she lived in East Saugatuck and we visited her a few times when she lived in Brookcrest. God gave her the gift of a quiet spirit which is of great price. Now, by grace, she is at home in glory with her Savior, Jesus Christ."*

A friend - January 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *"By faith the Scottish Reformer John Knox, "when he was a dying" (Hebrews 11:21), turned anew to 'the Scriptures', 'the manna on which he ... lived: "Turn," said he to his wife, "to that passage where I first cast anchor, the seventeenth of the Gospel of John.'" J.A. Wylie, The History of Protestantism, vol. III, 514. There in John 17:21,23, 24, in the midst of his High Priestly Prayer, Jesus prays, "Father ... thou ... hast loved them, as thou hast loved me. Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world." Jesus is in his Father's house of many mansions (John 14:2). Our Father (hearing the prayers of His beloved Son) continues to take us to be with Jesus where He is, into the Father's house of many mansions."*

Henry - January 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM