



## Glady Karsten

March 30, 1920 - March 30, 2017

Glady Karsten, 97, of Zeeland, passed away Thursday, March 30, 2017.

A witness to almost a century of American history Glady sang her way through 8 decades of involvement in music. She focused her life on the linchpins of family and faith. Marrying the love of her life, Henry, in 1945, she ventured into music with groups such as the Zeeland Civic Chorus (charter member and 60 year participant), Women's All Church Chorus, church choirs. She also sang in trios, duets and as soloist. She sang at many funerals often filling in on only an hour's notice. She directed children's and adult choirs while encouraging her children and grandchildren in music. She was active in civic affairs such as the Zeeland Literary Club, Faith Reformed Church as well as sports, which she loved particularly, her beloved University of Michigan Wolverines and Detroit Tigers. She faithfully followed her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren in all activities always making time for each child. She engaged and challenged each member of the family to have a firm reliance on her Savior, Jesus Christ. She fought the good fight, she has finished her course and has kept the faith. Her beloved husband Henry preceded her in death in 1990. She is survived by her children: Kit and Sandy Karsten of Olive Center, Dawn & Bob Larsen of Zeeland, Ned Karsten of Zeeland; grandchildren and great grandchildren: Chris and Alicia Karsten(Samantha), Matt and Amanda Karsten(Noah, Miles), Steve Karsten, Tracey and Jeff Willemstein(Isaac, Maddie), Mike and Cara Larsen(Zoe, Zach, Eli, Mia), Andrea and Kevin Brink(Chase, Logan), Kate and Gary Rosowski(Graham, Hannah), sister-in-

law Mary Ann Schrotenboer Tuma, and many nieces, nephews, and extended family. A family graveside service will be held in Zeeland Cemetery. A memorial service will take place 7:00 pm, Monday, April 17, 2017, at Faith Reformed Church A time to visit the Karsten family will be 6:00-6:45 prior to the service. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Holland.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Glady Karsten*

August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *"Gladys is missed but it is a consolation to know she is with her heavenly family where she always aimed for."*

**Mary Ann** - March 24, 2019 at 12:00 AM



“ *"I am grateful to have met Glady on occasion where she most recently lived. She was a delight to everyone who knew her. I will continue to lift up her loved ones in my prayers. My deepest sympathies - Cindy N, Royal Park Place chaplain"*

**Cindy Nyhoff** - April 12, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *"Glady was a special lady! Glen "Dutch" and our family thought so much of her. She was always so upbeat and interested in everything. She was a real Christian who lived her faith and didn't wear it on her sleeve. I send my condolences to the entire family, but I know you are assured she is in a far better place."*

**Mary Ann Schrottenboer Tuma** - April 05, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“Oh come let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation. Ps 95:1. Glady was the most joyful person I've ever known, and her joy was contagious. She so willingly shared her great musical talent, and absolutely let her Light shine. A Hall of Fame addition to the heavenly anthem of praise.”

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**Todd Hoogland** - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JB

“Glady was a fun gal with lots of spunk! She will be missed! Our thoughts and prayers go out to all family members and friends in her passing.”

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**Jo and Bob Bird** - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JW

“Thoughts and prayers go out to the family. We remember fun times with Henry & Glady in my early years on the Zeeland Fire Dept.”

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**Jason Wolters** - April 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“Glady was so very special. I am out of town & unable to come and pay my respects but my thoughts are with all of you. Love & hugs, Teresa Wiersma”

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**Teresa Wiersma** - March 31, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SB

“Dawn, Kit, Ned and families, Remembering times when we were all much younger. Your mom was a "mom" to everyone in the ZHS Band. She took good care of all of us. Know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers at this time. My God's Grace and Peace surround you and your families now and always.”

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**Steve Baron** - March 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

KK

“SO Sorry kevin & Linda Kehrwecker”

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**kevin Kehrwecker** - March 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

CK

“Will miss writing you letters everyweek grandma from overseas. Glad you got to meet your newest great grand daughter. Glad you will meet Grandpa Karsten in heaven after a long absence in your life. Love and miss you-Chris”

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**chris karsten** - March 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM