



Greg A. Diekema

July 26, 1952 - June 9, 2017

Greg Alan Diekema, 64, of Zeeland, was carried in the arms of Jesus up to heaven on Friday, June 9, after a yearlong battle with cancer. Greg was born in Holland to Ernest and Harriet (Poppema) Diekema and was a graduate of West Ottawa High School. He attended ITT Technical Institute in Indianapolis and spent the majority of his career at Donnelly Corporation and later Magna in Holland. He retired in January from his position as an Advanced Manufacturing Engineer at Magna. Greg was a lifelong member of Pillar Church where he served as a deacon, elder, and Cadet Counselor for many years. Greg loved to fish, travel with his family, and enjoy a great campfire with friends. Greg is survived by his wife of 33 years, Meribeth (Batema), his children Julie Diekema of Miami, FL, Carrie and Kyle Vermaire of Big Rapids, and Emily and Rick Koubek of Hershey, PA; brothers Wayne Diekema of Vancouver, British Columbia, and Dennis and Karen Diekema of Holland; in-laws, Ronald and Joanne Rozema; many special nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Debra Wilson. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, June 12, 2017 at Pillar Church in Holland with Rev. Jon Brown officiating. Burial will be in Restlawn Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be from 4-7 p.m Sunday, June 11, at Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home, 315 East 16th Street, Holland. Memorial Contributions may be given to Zeeland Christian or Holland Christian Schools. www.langelandsterenbergh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Greg A. Diekema*

August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *"Maribeth and girls, I was so sad to see that Greg had passed away. Please know that you are all in our prayers as you go through this very difficult time! May God hold you close through this! Jean Hoekstra"*

Jean Hoekstra - June 14, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *"We are so sorry about Greg. You can see how much he loved his family. Sending love and prayers for the whole family during this time. Rick and Valerie Koubek"*

Rick and Valerie Koubek - June 13, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *"So sorry to hear of Greg's passing. His family will be in our prayers."*

Anna - June 12, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *"I express my sympathy to you and your family. I hope your memories will bring comfort and his faith in Jesus bring you joy. May you feel the comfort of the Holy Spirit and from the love of friends and family during this time."*

Bob Brassler - June 12, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JP

“Please accept my deepest sympathy and prayers in the passing of Greg. I worked many years with Greg at Donnelly (Magna). He was a wonderful, caring person. He was a great engineer who worked with honor and integrity.”

Jodi Poynter - June 12, 2017 at 12:00 AM

GH

“Greg was a kind and decent man. He will be missed. My heart & prayers are with you all. Peace & Love Glen”

Glen Houting - June 12, 2017 at 12:00 AM

CA

“Dear Maribeth, I spoke with my sister Laurie this afternoon and she shared with me the news of Greg's passing. I am so sorry for your loss and will be lifting you up in prayer!! May our omnipotent, omniscient and omnipresent God sustain you and your family with His peace and grace.”

Carol - June 12, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DS

“You are all in our thoughts and prayers. We are so sorry to hear of your loss. My husband and I both worked with Greg for many years at Donnelly/ Magna. He was a very kind man, and always smiling. He will be greatly missed. We all know where he is now. May God greatly comfort you and your family.”

Don and Patti Stevens - June 12, 2017 at 12:00 AM

AF

“So sorry FOR your loss..Love u and will continue to pray for you and your family Ross and Jeanie Dewitte”

A friend - June 12, 2017 at 12:00 AM

TS

“I always enjoyed working with Greg at Magna / Donnelly. He was honest, hard working, a man of faith and a good friend. He will be greatly missed. Meri, may you and your family be greatly comforted by our God of peace.”

Tim Spykerman - June 12, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JM

“Maribeth. We were saddened to read of the death of Greg. He stepped over the threshold of glory into the arms of the savior he so loved. We have been gone from Pillar since 1991 but cherish the memories of dear friends. Garrett and I send our condolences to you and your family. Garrett & Jean Mulder”

Jean Mulder - June 12, 2017 at 12:00 AM

RS

“I always remember Greg as a very important piece of our success at Donnelly, He was always brilliant and always took the time to make the workers on the floor feel like they mattered, that's how it was in the Donnelly day. So sorry to here about his passing, but I'm sure his life in Heaven will be grand. My deepest sympathy to his family durning this difficult time. Please take pride in knowing that he made each and every one of us feel special and always had time to say a Hello or to knowledge that we all mattered.”

Ruth Slenk - June 11, 2017 at 12:00 AM