



## Harold Brandsen

August 29, 1936 - July 25, 2022

Harold was born on a farm North of Holland and attended Holland High School. In 1955 he entered the U.S. Army after enlisting. He served two years and was honorably discharged in 1957. As a young man he had several jobs which included Dutch Boy Bakery, General Electric in Holland, and Kalkman Redi-Mix. He then hired on for Kroger Whse, Worden Company, and later SlickCraft Boats. His love was in driving truck, and he did it well. For a time later he tried his hand at selling cars for Elhart Pontiac and he finally ended working at the Holland Post Office.

He met the love of his life at the beach the first summer out of the Army. He and Karen Ende married in 1959 and would eventually raise two children. Very much a family man he attended as many school activities as he could. And he even drove a school bus for West Ottawa. Harold and Karen have always loved to travel and found in their retirement years that it was Gulf Shores, Alabama that captured their hearts. He was an avid golfer, and so enjoyed his coffee friends. The past 15 years he has worked at Crown Motors doing dealer-trades.

Faith was a big part of Harold's life, and he served several stints as Deacon, and Elder at Trinity Reformed Church in Holland. He and Karen loved to follow Christian Music and often attended the Bill Gaither Praise Gatherings, and the Nat'l Quartet Conventions.

Surviving is his wife Karen, their daughter and son-in-law Julie and Jeff Grady of Hamilton. A son David passed away in August of 2016. Grandchildren surviving are Emily and Luke Stafford and their daughter Nora, son Harrison, and son Callahan, Sidney and Eric Duprey, Josie Grady, Kacie Grady, Gracie Grady, and Fischer Grady. There are also two grandchildren in San Diego, CA. He is survived by one sister, Florence VanHook, and one sister-in-law Jeanne (Herm) DeJong of Grand Rapids.

Funeral services will be 3:00 pm Saturday, July 30, 2022, at Trinity Reformed Church, 712 Apple Avenue, Holland. A time of visitation will precede the service from 1:00-2:45. Memorial contributions may be given to the American Heart Association or a charity of one's choice. [www.yntemafh.com](http://www.yntemafh.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 30. 1:00 PM - 2:45 PM (ET)

Trinity Reformed Church  
712 Apple avenue  
Holland, MI 49423

## Funeral Service

JUL 30. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Harold Brandsen*



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**Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes** - July 29, 2022 at 04:31 PM



“ *Harold Brandsen*

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August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *So sorry Karen. Sending our love & prayers 🙏 Ron & Wanda*

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**Ronald Hassevoort** - July 30, 2022 at 11:29 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Harold Brandsen.*



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July 29, 2022 at 09:23 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Harold Brandsen.*



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July 29, 2022 at 06:58 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Harold Brandsen.*



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July 28, 2022 at 03:58 PM



“ *Tom & Nelva ,Bill & Barb, Ernie & Judy purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Harold Brandsen.*



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**Tom & Nelva ,Bill & Barb, Ernie & Judy** - July 28, 2022 at 10:27 AM



“ *Karen and family,  
Blessing as you grieve and celebrate Herk's life 🙏! I think back on things we did when we were younger and at Trinity Reformed.  
Graham Duryee*

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**Graham Duryee** - July 28, 2022 at 07:41 AM

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“ Sid's Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Harold Brandsen.



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**Sid's Family** - July 27, 2022 at 05:54 PM

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“ Karen, Julie and family, I'm so sorry for your loss. My family is lifting your family in prayer. Praying God gives you the peace, comfort and understanding, that only He can give.

*I have two favorite memories - the first was patiently waiting for Harold and David to come home after they were stuck in a Worden Truck during a mud slide. The second memory is about see Harold's huge smile each and every time I went to the downtown post office!! I'd let people cut in line just so I could have Harold wait on me!! 💕💕  
Much love to you all!! - Linda Becksfort Rycenga*

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**linda Rycenga** - July 27, 2022 at 10:56 AM

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“ So sorry to read this. My love and prayers to you.

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**Karen** - July 27, 2022 at 09:37 AM

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“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Prayers for your entire family.

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**Laurie** - July 26, 2022 at 09:50 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Harold Brandsen.*



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July 26, 2022 at 04:03 PM