



Hildegarde "Hilda" Heerspink

April 1, 1929 - May 14, 2017

Hildegarde "Hilda" Lois Heerspink, age 88, was welcomed into the arms of Jesus on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 14, 2017. Hilda was born in Zeeland to Henry and Bessie Holstege on April 1, 1929. Her joy was found in being a wife to her husband Jerry and mother to her five children. Hilda enjoyed cooking and baking delicious pies, cakes and bread. She found pride in creating a neat and tidy home for her family. Everyone who got to know Hilda loved her because of her sweet spirit. She was an amazing listener and gave her love and wisdom generously. In her spare time, Hilda enjoyed knitting her famous slippers, hats, and mittens for her loved ones. Hilda was preceded in death by her loving husband Jerry, of 44 years, on July 8, 1993, her oldest daughter Mary Potter on March 4, 2017, and her sister-in-law Gertrude Van Lenten. Hilda is survived by her children: Keith Potter of Hamilton, Jan (Mike) De Fouw of Holland, Dave (Mary) Heerspink of Holland, Beth (Wayne) De Young of Holland, and Amy (Tim) Bouma of Hudsonville; brother Dr. Henry (Lois) Holstege; brothers-in-law: Floyd (Phyllis) Heerspink and John Van Lenten. Hilda was blessed with many grandchildren including Scott (Sheri) Potter; Cory (Missy) Potter; Heather (Terry) Madison; Melissa (Cory) Kooyers; Jenny (Chris) Machiela; Mitch (Kendy) De Fouw; Katie (Bob) Norris; Kyle Heerspink; Eric (Jayme) De Young; Kristen (Aaron) Geurink; Matthew (Helena) De Young; Ross De Young; Trevor, Courtney and Brandon Bouma; also surviving are 28 great-grandchildren. A funeral service to honor the faith and life of Hilda will be held at 11:00 am on Thursday, May 18, 2017 at Ebenezer Reformed

Church, 5166 Ottogan St. Holland, MI 49423. Visitation will take place from 5:00 to 8:00 pm on Wednesday, May 17 at the Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home, 315 East 16th Street, Holland, MI 49423, and prior to the funeral service at Ebenezer on May 18 at 10 am. Memorial contributions may be given to Spectrum Health Hospice, 100 Michigan Street NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49503. www.langelandsterenbergh.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Hildegarde "Hilda" Heerspink* ”

August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *"Sorry for your loss. I knew the family was a wonderful family."* ”

Darrell Fuglseth - May 29, 2018 at 12:00 AM



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“ *"Truly one of the best people I've ever known. Our condolences to Jan and family."* ”

Dennis and Mary Anderson - May 18, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *"To the kids of Jerry and Hilda - I remember your mom with fondness from my days at Central Ave CRC. Her soft spoken ways and her sweet smile and kind eyes were such a blessing to all who knew her. She raised wonderful children and was such a loving wife to Jerry. I can just hear your dad's jolly laugh and see your mom smiling sweetly next to him. Now they are together for eternity joyful in the loving arms of their Savior. God bless all of you, Pat (Slenk) deVries"* ”

A friend - May 17, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“Prayers especially for Ross, who has added much to our worship services at Spring Valley church and to Dr. Holstege, my instructor for many of my Calvin classes. Jeannette Slager Harter”

Jeannette Harter - May 16, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“It was my pleasure to call Hilda my friend. Such a dear woman, kindred spirit. I enjoyed our visits so much. She loved life, her Jerry, her kids, grands and greats. She will be greatly missed. My deepest sympathies to her family and friends from "the pig lady".”

Lora Headley - May 15, 2017 at 12:00 AM