



## Irwin Brink

August 19, 1930 - June 23, 2017

Irwin Jay Brink, 86 of Holland, Michigan, entered his heavenly home on Friday, June 23 2017. Irwin was born August 19, 1930 in Hudsonville to John and Jennie (Elzinga) Brink. He graduated from Hudsonville High in 1948. After graduating from Hope College in 1952 with an A.B. in Chemistry, he went on to receive his PhD in Physical Chemistry from the University of Illinois. Irwin returned to Hope College to teach in the Chemistry department, retiring in 1996, after 39 years. During his tenure he served as Chair of the department and Dean of Natural Sciences. Irwin was a member of Third Reformed Church serving as an elder, Sunday school teacher, choir member and Stephen Minister. He was an avid sports fan, enjoyed bird watching, and played clarinet in the American Legion and Zeeland Community bands. He was preceded in death by sister-in-law, Janice Brink. He is survived by his wife Barbara of 63 years; children: Jeanne (Jay) Lindell, Anne Brink, Robert Brink and friend Karine Renard, and Mary VanKula; grandchildren: Zack (Allie) Lindell, Katie Lindell, Jacob Lindell, Ian VanKula; and brother Kenneth Brink. Visitation is 4:00-7:00pm Thursday, June 29, 2017 at Third Reformed Church, 111 West 13th St. Holland, MI, 49423. A memorial service to honor Irwin's life and faith will be at 11:00am, at church on Friday, June 30. Memorial contributions are to Hope College-Irwin Brink Scholarship fund, Third Reformed Church or Hospice of Holland. The family is being served by the Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home.



# Tribute Wall



“ *Irwin Brink*

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August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *"Mrs. Brink, Mary and Family, So very sorry for the loss of your husband and father. He was a kind, good hearted and loving man who was very proud and supportive of his family. I know you will miss him greatly. My deepest sympathy goes out to all of you. Wishing you peace in this time of sorrow. With Loving thoughts, Stacey Hoffman"*

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**Stacey Hoffman** - June 25, 2017 at 12:00 AM