



## James H. Volkers

October 21, 1938 - June 4, 2024

James Herbert Volkers, 85, of Holland, passed away June 4, 2024.

Jim married the love of his life, Eunice Jan (Brink) in 1959. She survives him along with their children: Karen (Ed) VanderWindt of Ancaster, Ontario; Robert (Marcia Defreese) Volkers of South Haven, MI; Mark (Janelle Timmer) Volkers of Orange City, IA; and Joy (Chuck) Berghorst of Zeeland, MI; and grandchildren and great-grandchildren: Matthew (Caitlin Timmer) VanderWindt, with Rose, Caroline; Kathryn (Willem) de Ruijter, with Gideon, Levi, Ivy; David (Emily Sinclair) VanderWindt, with Joseph, Emma, Marigold; Ben (Brianna Kuperus) VanderWindt; Cody (Susannah Sullivan) Volkers; Kristiana Volkers; Elsa (Braden) Kooiker, with Sutton, Leighton, Sylvie; Lauren (Paul) Kleyer, with Corrie, Micah, Rylie; Colin Volkers; Johnathan (fiancée Courtney Copeland) Berghorst; Adam Berghorst; and Evan Berghorst.

Siblings: Faye† (Bernie†) Van Kampen; Clyde (Joan Maxwell), Paul (Linda Koopman), Ruth† (Volkers) Erlick, and Mary (Joel) Telfer-Taylor (Lynn† Telfer); Shirlene† (Brink) and Jim† Medendorp, Betty (Brink) and Kent† Navis, Phil (Bette Vanderzee) Brink, Fred (Ruth Van Dyken) Brink, Ruth† (Brink) and Jim† Hubbling.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, Clarence and Johanna (Blaauw) Volkens and the Rev. John E. and Winnifred (Comdoor) Brink. In 1969, Eunice

and Jim lost their infant son, Christopher John.

Jim was a thoughtful man with a strong faith and a curiosity about the world around him. He was a very caring and loving husband, father, and grandfather. He was a lifelong student of life, an avid reader on many subjects, an enthusiastic traveler, and a great conversationalist. He had a lively sense of humor, and he honored confidentialities entrusted to him. Jim and his wife, Eunice, greatly enjoyed developing and living in their beautiful home and property on 64th Street.

Jim, a graduate of Holland Christian High School and upon completion of Barber School was the owner and operator of The Headmaster barbershop in Holland for 50 years. In the 1970s, Jim and Eunice helped to establish a church plant, later known as Gibson Christian Reformed Church. There Jim served as an elder, Sunday school teacher, superintendent, and head counselor of the very active Calvinist Cadets Corps boys' program. He found deep satisfaction in mentoring men and boys from many walks of life. He did this at Gibson, the Dunes Correctional Facility, and the Muskegon Correctional Facility. During retirement, Jim also volunteered at the City Mission and Holland Hospital. He and Eunice were strong supporters of Christian education and other organizations dear to their hearts.

To view a livestream of the service, please visit, <https://niekerkcrc.org/sermons>.

Visitation and funeral will be held at Niekerk Christian Reformed Church on June 15, 2024 (545 Country Club Road, Holland, MI). Visitation: 9:30-10:30. Funeral: 11:00 am, with Rev. Marvin Hofman officiating. Luncheon will be served after the funeral, followed by Interment at Graafschap Cemetery.

The family is deeply grateful for the kind and loving care of staff at Appledorn

Assisted Living Center North, The Cortland Holland, and Hospice of Holland.  
Memorial contributions may be made to  
Jubilee Centers International, PO Box 7758, Grand Rapids, MI 49510, [www.jubileecentershn.org](http://www.jubileecentershn.org)  
or to Holland Gateway Mission ([www.hopefoundhere.org](http://www.hopefoundhere.org)).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **15**. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Niekerk Christian Reformed Church  
545 Country Club Road  
Holland, MI 49423

## Funeral

JUN **15**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Niekerk Christian Reformed Church  
545 Country Club Road  
Holland, MI

# Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a James Volkers funeral service in memory of James H. Volkers*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - June 19, 2024 at 04:54 PM



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of James H. Volkers*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - June 14, 2024 at 09:41 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of James H. Volkers.*



June 13, 2024 at 03:54 PM

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“ Beth Kooiker family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James H. Volkers.

Beth Kooiker family - June 12, 2024 at 12:25 PM

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“ Beth Kooiker family purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of James H. Volkers.



Beth Kooiker family - June 12, 2024 at 12:25 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James H. Volkers.



June 12, 2024 at 10:22 AM

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“ Calvary CRC, Orange City, IA planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James H. Volkers.

Calvary CRC, Orange City, IA - June 10, 2024 at 10:39 AM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of James H. Volkers.*



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June 10, 2024 at 10:39 AM



“ *Summer's Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of James H. Volkers.*



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June 10, 2024 at 10:07 AM



“ *We will forever remember Jim for his kindness and the lovely evenings we spent with him and Eunice at their beautiful home when we lived in Holland.*

*David & Ellen Medendorp*

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**David Medendorp** - June 10, 2024 at 09:34 AM



“ *Beverly A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James H. Volkers.*

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**Beverly A.** - June 09, 2024 at 09:13 PM

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“ *Beverly A. purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of James H. Volkers.*



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**Beverly A.** - June 09, 2024 at 09:13 PM