



## Janet V. Tazelaar

September 11, 1920 - July 9, 2017

All is well, as Janet Virginia (Wierda) Tazelaar is at peace with her Heavenly Father and the love of her life, her wonderful husband, Arthur. Janet was born in Grand Rapids and moved to Holland at an early age. She married her best friend, Arthur John Tazelaar, in 1941 and moved to their beloved Macatawa. Janet was a long-standing member of Third Reformed Church, where she taught Sunday school and Bible School. She served in several offices with the Third Church Women's Guild. In her early years, she was a Garden Club Member, Camp Fire Leader, and served on the Camp Fire Board of Directors. Janet was also a lifelong volunteer at several local nursing homes, as well as a weekly Friday volunteer at the Soup Kitchen from the time it started in 1991 until 2013. Among her many interests were her Third Church Circle, volunteering, flowers, birds and especially hummingbirds. She loved to travel, read, journal, walk on the beach, and make cookies to share with all her many friends and family. Janet is survived by her children, William "Bill" Tazelaar and Mary (Charles) DeVries; siblings, Orthea Van Voorst, Elaine (Clair) Zwiep, Shirley Schregardus, Roger (Nancy) Wierda, Beverly Bos; sister-in-law, Audrey Wierda; and always so very important to her were her many nieces and nephews, numerous great nieces and nephews, and all her dear friends, who were a comfort and joy throughout her life. Visitation is scheduled from 10:00-11:00am on Thursday, July 13 at Third Reformed Church, 111 W 13th St., Holland. A Celebration of Life service will follow at 11:30am with Rev. Kent Fry and Rev. Kama Jongarius officiating. Burial will be in Restlawn Memorial

Gardens. To honor her memory, in lieu of flowers, the family asks that you bring cookies to a friend, soup to a loved one or find someone to cheer; and thank the Lord for everything you have and have been blessed with.

# Tribute Wall



“ Janet V. Tazelaar

August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *"Mary and Bill, Sharon and I were so saddened to hear of your Mothers passing. She was my Morher's best friend and I remember so well the many wonderful times we all shared. We were all blessed to be in her life and she will be sorely missed."*

Tera O - July 18, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *"Art & Janet were good friends with my folks ever since I can remember. Such wonderful people, particularly Janet. She was one of the most loving, caring people I have ever known. She had a way of making me feel good about life, faith, and things in general. A joy to have considered her as a very special friend. She will certainly be missed here on earth, but I am convinced that she has a special place in heaven reunited with Art & renewing friendships with my folks."*

Anita Rediger - July 13, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *"Mare, Charlie and Bill, my thoughts are with you as you go through this time. I so remember your dad as my Postmaster for so many years and your mom being ever so supportive and sweet. Both their smiles are in my memories. A prayer to each of you. With love, Jenn"*

Jennifer Rindge - July 12, 2017 at 12:00 AM

PW

“1 Thessalonians 4:15-18. From Uncle Art and Aunt Janet we have learned Psalm 19:14, Let the words of our mouth and the meditations of our heart be acceptable in your sight, oh LORD, our strength and redeemer. From there we have learned to love all of Psalm 19. The impact that they have had on our lives, have an eternal impact. Although our souls are heavy, our hearts rejoice in the promise of being caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the LORD, and so shall we ever be with them and Jesus. When our father (Franklin Wierda) was spending his last year on this earth, Uncle Art and Aunt Janet took some of us into their hearts and opened their home. It was a time in our lives that they shared in, and comforted us in. The impact of lives that they have touched can only be measured in eternity. To Bill and Mary, you have also played a very special part in our lives. Thank you both. The place you have in our hearts can never be fully expressed to you. Thank you for sharing your wonderful parents with the rest of us.”

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**Paul Wierda** - July 12, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MG

“May God have you in His glory. Rest in peace! With love, family Díaz.”

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**Matilde Gonzalez** - July 12, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DC

“Elaine, thoughts and prayers.”

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**Donna Covington** - July 11, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MB

“*"Mary and Charlie,  
Our prayers are with you and we know 'Mom' is safely home. Trust  
God. Take care of one another and be assured that she is at peace  
and in God's care.  
Mark and Debra Burr"*

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**Mark and Debra Burr** - July 11, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DR

“*"Don was so sorry to hear of Janet's passing and especially that he  
can't be here for the service on Thursday. He left on Monday  
morning for his island volunteer work. He offers his deepest  
condolences to both Mary and Bill, as he thought the world of your  
mom. He has spoken to me of her often through the years, always  
referring to her affectionately as "J T". He cherishes his childhood  
memories of the families who resided in Macatawa Park year round.  
We know your mom is very happy now, being with God and your  
dad.Jane Brennan Rosie forDon Rosie"*

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**Don Rosie** - July 11, 2017 at 12:00 AM

KD

“*"Mary and Charlie, our prayers are with you at this time of such  
loss. Even though Janet was ready to go to God, we know from first  
hand experience how hard it must be for you that the time has really  
come. Be at peace knowing how happy you made her last years by  
keeping her in her beloved home almost to the end. You showed  
her great love. We will continue to keep you in our prayers as you  
go forward to heal."*

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**Kris and John Daniels** - July 11, 2017 at 12:00 AM

KD

“*"Mary, Charlie and Bill, Your mother was an amazing woman! I will always remember Janet and Art for their generosity, caring and love. Your parents and my parents(Betty and Clarence Kammeraad) were great friends over the years and I fondly remember some of our childhood beach outings at Macatawa Park with your family and mine. I am so sorry for your loss, and may her memories and love reside in your hearts forever. Sincerely and with deepest sympathy."*

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**Kristine Kammeraad Derks** - July 11, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BF

“*"Janet was a good friend of my mother, Jean Fitch, and their mutual friend, Francis Johnson. I remember her with affection from the times I spent in Macatawa with Bill and the Van Regemorter boys. Janet and Art Tazelaar were a happy part of my Michigan youth."*

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**Bob Fitch** - July 11, 2017 at 12:00 AM

KR

“*"We are so saddened to have lost our dear family friend. We loved visiting Janet on our yearly visit to Holland from St. Louis. She was always kind & welcoming to all of us & ready with a tin of her famous cookies for us. We will miss her dearly but know she is at peace with Art & our Lord in Heaven."*

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**Krissy Ryan** - July 10, 2017 at 12:00 AM