



## John Vink, Jr.

January 14, 1960 - February 25, 2019

John Vink Jr., age 59, of Hamilton went to be with his Lord on Monday, February 25, 2019 with family surrounding him at home after a courageous battle against cancer. John was born on January 14, 1960 in The Netherlands to Gerda Bijl-Holley and John C. Vink Sr. and married Doreen DeJonge in 1980. John attended Holland High and Central Wesleyan Church. He was employed at Billco Products and previously Xibitz and Great Lake Woods. John was a skilled wood worker who used his talent to transform wood into beautiful furniture. He loved spending time with his family and being outdoors. His free time was spent fishing, kayaking, and cross country skiing. John is survived by his wife of 38 years, Doreen; children: Mitchell Vink of Kemah, TX, Melissa (Chip) Windisch of Rockford, Krista Vink of Grand Rapids; granddaughter, Brooklyn; mother, Gerda (Jim) Holley; father, John C. (Joan) Vink Sr.; brother, Arie "Art" Vink and sister-in-law Marlene Gaitan of Holland; mother-in-law, Dolores Simonson DeJonge; as well as many extended family. He was a beloved Uncle and Great Uncle with many nieces, nephews, and dear friends. John was preceded in death by his father-in-law, Harlow DeJonge Visitation will be from 12:00-2:30 pm Friday, March 1, 2019 at Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home, 315 East 16th Street, Holland, MI 49423. Following visitation there will be a funeral service at 3:00pm on Friday, also at the funeral home. Rev. Steve Hasper will officiate. Memorial contributions may be given to Hospice of Holland. [www.langelandsterenbergh.com](http://www.langelandsterenbergh.com)



# Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of John Vink, Jr.*



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**Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes** - February 25, 2019 at 12:00 AM



“ *John Vink, Jr.*

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August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *"On this two year anniversary of John's passing we remember so fondly how, when someone said something funny and the rest of us laughed, John would add to the story and make everyone laugh even harder. Sure miss everything about him, even how he had to bend over to give us a hug!"*

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**Willow and Dave VandenBerg** - March 01, 2021 at 12:00 AM



“ *"Dear family, i am the dichter of jac the Brother of gerda. I rest about john death just know. The last time i aan hij i was kust a child. But i december the lovely picture from the wedding with doreen on the walk nu out grondmotief. Dear family so far away i hope you all will find peace with his loss. All my love die all and fort my lovely aunt het."*

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**Jeanneke Bijl** - January 16, 2020 at 12:00 AM

DO

“Happy Birthday Honey! Thanking you for, and remembering the many joys you gave me in our 43 yrs. together. Miss you so much, love you forever. Looking forward to being together again some day! :)”

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**Doreen** - January 14, 2020 at 12:00 AM

DW

“John Vink, Jr.

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**David Wilson** - January 14, 2020 at 12:00 AM

RB

“Sincere sympathy to the family. I had the pleasure of working with him at Great Lake Woods. Also, knew him from school. Peach of a guy, his talents will definitely be missed. A true craftsmen.”

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**Rich Brink** - March 03, 2019 at 12:00 AM

KD

“When I think of John Vink... I think of his kind smile, and inviting presence. He was really a gentle giant growing up. He built his family home shortly before my family followed suit. I'll never forget all of the sleepovers that happened in the bed of his pick up truck or how he made a tree fort come to life! He even helped me build a sacred wooden box in his shop to gift a good friend. John was always someone my dad spoke highly of... so happy when he'd run into him, as they lived just down the road. My dad went to be with the Lord in October 2018, and I like to believe he was waiting for John with open arms. I know they celebrate pain free, but we will always miss their addition to conversation and precious moments. Love and prayers for everyone in the family ❤️”

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**Katie Dykema** - February 28, 2019 at 12:00 AM

DH

“Our deepest sympathy to you Doreen and family. It was a pleasure to know John during the years I worked with you Doreen. I thought of him often when I would get something from the kitchen pantry he made for me or when the grandkids played on the wooden rocking horse he made....a great guy. May you feel God's presence and Peace in the days ahead, Love, Henry and Debbie Holthuis”

Deborah Holthuis - February 28, 2019 at 12:00 AM

RB

“My condolences to the family. Sorry I can't be there for the services. John and I worked together for 8 years, so many good memories. Rest In Peace John.”

Russ Brychta - February 28, 2019 at 12:00 AM

JB

“Doreen and family, Sorry for your loss. John always treated me with respect. He will be missed.”

Juliane Burlingame - February 27, 2019 at 12:00 AM

MR

“Doreen, so sorry to hear of John's passing. Our condolences to you and your extended family.”

Melanie Rotman - February 26, 2019 at 12:00 AM

TH

“Art& family. So sad to read of your brother's passing.”

Tim Houting - February 26, 2019 at 12:00 AM

CW

“*Thoughts and prayers to Chip, Melissa and Brooklyn - plus the whole Vink family.*”

Chris Wolking - February 26, 2019 at 12:00 AM

KS

“*Doreen, My sincere sympathy to you and the entire family on the passing of John. He will be missed by all that knew him. He truly was a remarkable guy. I'm glad his suffering is finally over and he is in a much better place. I will never forget the John that I remember. I am so glad I got the opportunity to know him. Thoughts, prayers and hugs to all, Kim Smith*”

Kim Smith - February 26, 2019 at 12:00 AM

JS

“*My Thoughts and prays to all of you. I will miss you my friend,*”

Jeff Sheridan - February 26, 2019 at 12:00 AM

LP

“*Sending my deepest sympathy to all of you. Know that I am praying that you experience all the peace and comfort that our Lord promised. How beautiful to actually have the sure confidence that John's faith is now sight because all was well with his soul!! Love, Lynnelle Pierce*”

Lynnelle Pierce - February 26, 2019 at 12:00 AM

BI

“*Our condolences to the Link family*”

Bill - February 25, 2019 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *My condolences to all who knew and loved him*”

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**Betty Hardin** - February 25, 2019 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ *Our hearts hurt for the loss of such a great friend. It is comforting to know that you are now without pain. We will see you again, this we are assured of. Love you, miss you. Prayers for the family.*”

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**Brenda Van Tubergen** - February 25, 2019 at 12:00 AM