



## Lois "Loie" Ann Van Dis

June 6, 1939 - August 10, 2025

Lois Van Dis, age 86, passed away on Sunday, August 10, 2025.

Lois (Loie) Ann Van Dis went home to her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Sunday, August 10, 2025.

Loie was born on June 6, 1939 in Holland, Michigan. She graduated from Holland Christian Schools and worked for several businesses in Holland throughout her lifetime including DeWaard Interiors which was established by her parents.

In the 60's Loie served as the Ottawa County Chapter President for the Muscular Dystrophy (MD) Association. This Cause was dear to Ben and Loie's heart because two of their children were born with a rare form of MD.

Loie always enjoyed spending time with her family. Loie's chocolate cake with special homemade white frosting was always a favorite with her family and friends.

Many people will remember Loie's beautiful hand writing or her ability to play the piano by ear. Her friends at Quincy Place enjoyed listening and singing along to the old hymns that Loie would play on the piano. Those closest to Loie will always remember the cards that she sent by mail. Most of the time

she would include more than one card or poem in an envelope to send to those who needed a dose of comfort or love. She and her dear friends exchanged hundreds of cards and prayers over her lifetime.

Through the years of personal health struggles Loie persevered at encouraging others. Her times in the hospitals offered opportunities to reach out to the staff who cared for her. Loie liked to befriend all who came across her path. Loie leaned on her faith and God's promises throughout her life. She became very close to the ministry of Joni and Friends, which helps children with disabilities. Joni Eareckson Tada's writings taught Loie deep lessons of faith even in the midst of pain or trial.

Loie was preceded in death by her dear husband, Benjamin Van Dis Jr, who passed away in May. Also preceded by two children, Douglas and Jeanne; parents Louis and Alma DeWaard; in-laws Ben & Irene Van Dis; a sister Elaine Van Dam; and a sister in-law Karyl Van Dis.

Loie is survived by her children, Laura & Mark Ebbers, Steve & Nancy Van Dis; grandchildren: Joel & Kara Ebbers, Anna & Matthew Beck, Leah & Joshua Mugford, Steven Guy Van Dis, Wilson Van Dis; 8 great grandchildren: Braeden & Emma Ebbers, Cora, Oliver & Bella Beck, Laura, Andrew & Ben Mugford. Siblings: Jim & Gloria DeWaard, Jack DeWaard, Bertus Van Dis, Pauline & Daryl Wabeke and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

A Funeral is planned for 10:00 am on Friday, August 15, 2025 at Central Wesleyan Chapel, 446 W 40th St, Holland. Entrance G or D. Fellowship with the family will take place immediately following the service.

Memorial contributions in Loie's honor may be given to the ministry of Joni & Friends at [joniandfriends.org](http://joniandfriends.org) or by mail to 30009 Ladyface Ct., Agoura Hills, California 91301.

Burial to take place in Pilgrim Home Cemetery.

The family wishes to express thanks to the Hospice of Holland team, as well as the staff at Quincy Place.

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# Cemetery Details

## Pilgrim Home Cemetery

370 E. 16th St.  
Holland, MI 49423

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

AUG 15. 10:00 AM (ET)

Central Wesleyan Church  
446 West 40th St.  
Holland, MI 49423

# Tribute Wall



“ Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Watch Funeral Service in memory of Lois "Loie" Ann Van Dis



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - August 15, 2025 at 04:38 PM

JS

*I'm so sorry that we missed Loie's service, but glad to watch on line. I somehow didn't see when it was. Loie's friendship was so special over the many years. I, too, received many cards and phone calls. I will miss her so much, but cherish the thought that she is with Jesus and will see Ben, Jeanne, and Doug again. Such a special promise that we will all be together again. Praying for your family as you deal with the loss of both Loie and Ben.*

Jan Scott - August 18, 2025 at 08:48 AM



“ Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Lois "Loie" Ann Van Dis



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - August 14, 2025 at 02:17 PM

BW

“ I’m sorry that we won’t be able to attend the funeral but I wanted to say that Loie was such an encouragement. Throughout my many surgeries I always received a card with poems and prayers from Loie and she always reminded me that she was praying for me. I will miss her but know that she is celebrating with Jesus now.

Bea Whitney - August 15, 2025 at 12:17 PM

DV

I would like to thank Loie and her family for supporting and encouraging my mother Barbara Villarreal over the last 27 years. My mother and Loie have the exact same health issue and both are believers and hold their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Loie reached out to my mother one last time the day before her passing. I thank her for that. My mother wouldn't be around today if it wasn't for Loie's encouragement. This obituary is beautiful and is a reflection of her. God bless the entire family at this difficult time. Darren Villarreal.

Darren J Villarreal - August 17, 2025 at 10:25 PM



Thank you for these kind words Darren. Your mother meant so much to my mom Loie. 💙

Laura-Mark Ebbers - August 26, 2025 at 09:39 AM

MT

“ To the family of Loie; I knew your mother as my customer at Younkens Dept. Store. I always enjoyed talking to her. I too received nice cards, notes and poems from Loie. My sympathy to you in the loss of your mother.

Marcia TenBroeke - August 12, 2025 at 11:42 AM

EL

Marcia - I remember my mom talking with you. Thank you for your kind note!

Ebbers, Laura - August 15, 2025 at 07:39 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Lois "Loie" Ann Van Dis.*



August 12, 2025 at 08:51 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lois "Loie" Ann Van Dis.

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“ *Biskupic and Lewis Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Lois "Loie" Ann Van Dis.*



**Biskupic and Lewis Family** - August 11, 2025 at 03:29 PM



“ *Biskupic and Lewis Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lois "Loie" Ann Van Dis.*

**Biskupic and Lewis Family** - August 11, 2025 at 03:29 PM