



## Lonnie Nykerk

July 27, 1961 - June 15, 2024

Lonnie Nykerk, 62, entered into her heavenly home on June 15, 2024, surrounded by her loving children and devoted husband, Jeff. She was a woman of unparalleled strength, known for her positivity, sense of humor, compassionate spirit and ability to light up every room she entered.

Together, Lonnie and Jeff raised three daughters: Amber, Katie, and Alyssa. Family was the center of Lonnie's life, and she dedicated herself to nurturing and supporting her daughters. Lonnie's faith in Christ was a cornerstone of her life and she found comfort and strength in Him throughout her life's journey. Her faith inspired her to be a loving friend and mentor to everyone she met. Lonnie had a gift for making others feel valued and cared for, and her kindness and compassion knew no bounds.

Professionally, Lonnie was known for her diligence and dedication. Besides her roles as a wife and mother, she worked at Castle Park and co-owned Cottage Corner, a store in downtown Holland, for many years alongside her sister, Jean. Her personal interests included spending time with loved ones, painting, decorating, antiquing, relaxing at the cottage, and savoring sunsets. Lonnie was preceded in death by her father, Alvin Koops, mother, Jeanette Koops, father-in-law, Floyd Nykerk, mother-in-law, Marlene Nykerk, brother-in-law, Cal Hoffman and sister-in-law, Carolyn Nykerk. She is survived by her husband, Jeff Nykerk; children; Amber and Christopher Flier, Katie Nykerk, Alyssa and Skylar Sale; granddaughters Eleanor and Olivia Flier; siblings;

Darwin and Judy Koops, Linda Koops, Wesley and Glenda Koops, Jean Hoffman and Bill Buikema; brother-in-law; Marc Nykerk; sister-in-law; Tasha Nykerk as well as many nieces and nephews.

In honor of Lonnie's diagnosis with Multiple System Atrophy and the wonderful care providers to her; memorial contributions may be given to the Multiple System Atrophy Coalition or to Hospice of Holland.

Memorial services for Lonnie are planned for 10:00am Friday, June 21 at Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home, 315 East 16th Street, Holland, with Pastor Dean Slenk officiating. Burial will be in Graafschap Cemetery. Visitation is scheduled for 5:00-8:00pm Thursday, June 20, also at the funeral home. Condolences may be left online at [www.langelandsterenberg.com](http://www.langelandsterenberg.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Graafschap Cemetery

32nd Steet at Graafschap Road  
Holland, MI 49423

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **20**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home  
315 E 16th St  
Holland, MI 49423  
(616) 392-2306  
info@langelandsterenbergh.com  
<http://langelandsterenbergh.com/>

## Memorial Service

JUN **21**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home  
315 East 16th Street  
Holland, MI 49423

# Tribute Wall

BB

“ Jeff and Lon were great neighbors; there were so many laughs: The Nykerk dog preventing Jeff Berens from entering our own home, lightening strikes that were all too close, fun evenings out, banquet at church. She will always be special, she cast a wide net. Love to all, Bev Berens

Bev Berens - June 20, 2024 at 03:21 PM

TF

“ The Finn family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lonnie Nykerk.

The Finn family - June 20, 2024 at 05:47 AM

TF

“ The Finn family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Lonnie Nykerk.



The Finn family - June 20, 2024 at 05:47 AM

LB

“ Love Keith and Terri Buikema purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Lonnie Nykerk.



Love Keith and Terri Buikema - June 19, 2024 at 11:02 PM

CF

“ *Coty & Audrey Franklin purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Lonnie Nykerk.*



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**Coty & Audrey Franklin** - June 19, 2024 at 08:41 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Lonnie Nykerk.*



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June 18, 2024 at 07:06 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Lonnie Nykerk.*



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June 18, 2024 at 12:42 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lonnie Nykerk.*



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June 18, 2024 at 09:24 AM

SA

“ Susan, Alex, Tiffany, Becky, Star, MacKenzie, Anna, & Annabelle planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lonnie Nykerk.

Susan, Alex, Tiffany, Becky, Star, MacKenzie, Anna, & Annabelle - June 18, 2024 at 09:12 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lonnie Nykerk.



June 18, 2024 at 08:38 AM

SR

“ Our deepest sympathy to you all. Lonnie was so beautiful and sweet. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Love, the Brinks cousins - Sharon & Chuck, Karen, Barb & Joel, Tammy & Tim

Sharon Rescorla - June 17, 2024 at 11:09 PM

SR

“ Sharon R. purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Lonnie Nykerk.



Sharon R. - June 17, 2024 at 10:41 PM

IB

“ Our deepest sympathies to the Nykerk family and Jean & Bill. May the Lord grant you comfort, peace and strength in the days ahead.  
Love, Tim and Irene Buikema

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**Irene and Tim Buikema** - June 17, 2024 at 05:09 PM

LB

“ Love, the Buikema siblings & mom Buikema planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lonnie Nykerk.

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**Love, the Buikema siblings & mom Buikema** - June 17, 2024 at 05:03 PM

LB

“ Love, the Buikema siblings & mom Buikema purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Lonnie Nykerk.



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**Love, the Buikema siblings & mom Buikema** - June 17, 2024  
at 05:03 PM