



Martha Vander Ploeg

March 2, 1934 - January 4, 2026

Martha Vander Ploeg, age 91 of Zeeland passed away at Resthaven Sunday, January 4, 2026.

She is survived by her children, Bob and Marybeth Vander Ploeg, Rick and Linda Vander Ploeg, Judy and Curt Vander Ploeg, and Nancy and Ron Oskam, her grandchildren and great grandchildren, Chris and Brenda Vander Ploeg (Glorianna, Levi, Isaiah, Mya), Michelle and Tom Michmerhuizen (Allison), Ryan and Heather Vander Ploeg (Ayden, Asher), David and Rachel Vander Ploeg (Noah, Raelee, Gracie), Matthew Vander Ploeg, Joshua Vander Ploeg, James Vander Ploeg and Kenzie (Scarlett, Brantley), and Erica Oskam. She is also survived by her sisters, Joyce Stempfly, Evelyn and Harvard Hoekje, Gloria Culver, her sister-in-law Judy Hoeve and several nieces and nephews.

Martha was preceded in death by her husband Paul, her siblings and their spouses, Marjorie Anderson, Harvey and Marjorie Hoeve, Carolyn and John Harsevoort, Herman Hoeve, Roger and Helene Hoeve, Louis Stempfly, Marion Hoeve, and Louis Culver.

She was a longtime member of First Reformed Church in Zeeland where she was active in the Ladies Aid and helped coordinate and serve funeral lunches. Martha worked for the City of Zeeland for 15 years and worked as the election

chairperson for the City of Zeeland for many years.

Visitation will be from 6-8 pm Thursday, January 8, 2026, at Yntema Funeral Home, 251 South State Street, Zeeland and Friday, January 9, 2026, at First Reformed Church, 125 East Lincoln Ave, Zeeland from 10-10:45 am with her funeral service at 11 am. Interment will be in Zeeland Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be given to Hospice of Holland or Resthaven. www.yntemafh.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 8. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Yntema Funeral Home
251 South State Street
Zeeland, MI 49464

Visitation

JAN 9. 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM (ET)

First Reformed Church of Zeeland
125 E. Lincoln Ave.
Zeeland , MI 49464

Funeral Service

JAN 9. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

First Reformed Church of Zeeland
125 E. Lincoln Ave.
Zeeland , MI 49464

Tribute Wall

DB

“ For a moment I wanted to share with Jon that Bert passed away, but lived to be 91. I don't remember why he called her that. My condolences to her family and loved ones. Such a sweet lady. Mom's are special.

Diane Beltman - January 08 at 08:17 PM

BR

“ I met Martha when she was a table mate of my mother's during Mom's last months at Resthaven. She was incredibly gracious, kind, and encouraging to Mom, who was dealing with Alzheimer's disease. I pray her family will find comfort while grieving the loss of this special person.

Barb Rininger - January 08 at 10:43 AM

NH

“ My condolences. Rest in peace Aunt Martha.



Nicholas Hoeve - January 06 at 09:11 PM

MN

“ I've known Martha since high-school but became really good friend after becoming condo neighbors. So many good memories. I truly loved being her friend. Family you have been blessed to have her as a Mom and Grandma. MaeLee

MaeLee Nykerk - January 06 at 05:08 PM

KS

“ *What a beautiful loving lady. I loved taking care of her at the Atrium. May God bless your family.*

Kathy Ann Smith - January 06 at 04:29 PM

TW

My heartfelt sympathy goes out to Bob and Mary Beth and family. May God comfort you with His love and presence as you go through these difficult days. Martha was a sweet and special lady who will be missed, but now God has her wrapped in His loving arms. May this give you peace knowing she is with her Lord and Savior 🙏. Loving, Tooge 💕

Tooge Willyard - January 07 at 04:24 PM