



Mary J. Auwema

December 24, 1930 - October 7, 2022

Mary J. Auwema, age 91, of Zeeland, passed away on Friday, October 07, 2022.

To view the recording of Mary's service, please visit:

<https://www.facebook.com/faithcrcholland/videos/the-funeral-of-mary-auwema/471381514777256>.

Mary was a sweet and kind woman. Her faith was very important to her, and she was a great example of it. She graduated from Western Christian High School in Hull, IA. After high school, Mary worked as a bookkeeper at the Co-op, where she met the love of her life, Dennis. She also worked many years at Holland Hospital in the purchasing and cashier's office. In retirement, Mary worked at the Conference Grounds. She was a master seamstress, and volunteered often at The Good Samaritan Center, teaching others how to sew. According to her family, her claim to fame was that she moved 27 times by the time she was 19 years old.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents, Delmar & Johanna (Hoekman) Roelofs; and her siblings: Dolores Westra, Roger Roelofs, and David Roelofs.

She is survived by her husband of 71 years, Dennis Auwema; her children: Denise & Jeffry Stam, Doug & Bobbie Auwema, David & Constance Auwema,

Meri Carpenter, Tim Auwema & Melinda Stewart; 10 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren; sister, Kathy & Bruce Hulst; sisters-in-law: Eleanor & Rod Van Roekel, Jenean Mosterd, and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service honoring Mary will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 13, 2022 at Faith Christian Reformed Church, 85 W. 26th Street, Holland. A time of visitation will be held Wednesday, October 12, from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home, 315 E. 16th Street, Holland. Burial will take place in Pilgrim Home Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be given to Christian Reformed Conference Grounds (crcg.org) or Mobility Worldwide (mobilityworldwide.org).

Cemetery Details

Pilgrim Home Cemetery

370 E. 16th St.
Holland, MI 49423

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **12.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Memorial Service

OCT **13.** 2:00 PM (ET)

Faith Christian Reformed Church
85 W 26th St
Holland, MI 49423-4970
(616) 396-7934

Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary J. Auwema*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - October 11, 2022 at 09:44 AM

GH

Such a beautiful tribute to a beautiful person.

Gayle Hartley - October 12, 2022 at 10:14 PM

BV

What a great tribute to Aunt Mary and family. Prayers to you from South Dakota, Betty VS

Betty VS - October 13, 2022 at 03:04 PM

ES

Beautiful. Thinking of all of you. Eileen Van Soest

Eileen Van Soest - October 13, 2022 at 05:07 PM

KL

This was a sweet walk through the past years and the music was wonderful. Some of my favorites.

Karen

karen langeland - October 13, 2022 at 05:16 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Mary J. Auwema.*



October 10, 2022 at 11:35 AM



“ *I remember Aunt Mary's hospitality when Gene I would come hang out with Tim at the house on 19th street, back in the 1970s and early 80s. More recent memories include our Roelof family reunions at Spring Grove Park.*

Joan and I are thinking of you uncle Dennis, and cousins Tim, Meri, Dave, Doug, and Denise as you grieve and remember. We pray that God's grace and peace would be yours in the days and weeks ahead.

Dale and Joan Hulst

Dale Hulst - October 10, 2022 at 10:08 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary J. Auwema.*



October 10, 2022 at 09:51 AM



“ *Loved taking care of her at the Atrium. A beautiful lady.*

Kathy Ann Smith - October 08, 2022 at 06:25 PM

KH

“ One precious memory is watching my sister Mary plan and sew a dress for me to wear to Holland Christian's Junior-Senior banquet-about 1960. She was an excellent seamstress and in earlier days made most of her own clothes.

Kathy Hulst - October 07, 2022 at 09:49 PM

JM

“ Sincere sympathy. Praying God will shower all of you with His peace and comfort. I loved Mary, she was a great sister-in-law!❤️

Jenean Mosterd - October 07, 2022 at 06:41 PM