



Mary Lou Bruursema

March 7, 1936 - July 14, 2023

Mary Lou Bruursema, age 87, passed away on Friday, July 14, 2023.

Mary Lou was born in Zeeland and went to Zeeland Schools. In high school, she was crowned homecoming queen by the man that would become her husband, John Bruursema. Together they had 3 children. She was a longtime member of Second Reformed Church and served there in many roles over the years. She was a godly woman who served others selflessly and was a good friend. Mary Lou was a wonderful mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. Her life has always been surrounded by family. She was dearly loved and will be certainly missed.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Bruursema in 2019 and much of her extended family.

She is survived by her children; Jan and Dave Bosma, Edwin and Michelle Bruursema, Jill and Troy Brouwer; grandchildren, Kelli and Nate Weaver (Carson, Camryn, Chase, Carlia), Mitch and Julie Bosma (Logan), Sean and Donielle Bruursema (Elly, Zeke), Bobbi and Bill Ashley (Charlotte, Preston, Madeline, Peyton, Edwin), Trent Bruursema, Devyn Brouwer, Ty Brouwer, Gavin Brouwer; sisters-in-law, Marilyn Pikaart, Elaine Bruursema, Joan and Dave Rutgers; and brother-in-law, Don Pollard.

Visitation with the family is 5:00-7:00 pm on Monday, July 17, 2023, at Yntema Funeral Home 251 S. State. St. Zeeland, MI 49464.

Funeral services are at 2:00 pm on Tuesday, July 18, 2023, at Second Reformed Church 225 East Central Ave. Zeeland, MI 49464.

Memorial contributions in Mary Lou's honor may be given to Hospice of Holland.

Burial to take place Zeeland Cemetery.

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Cemetery Details

Zeeland Cemetery (Original Cemetery)

220 East Lincoln Avenue
Zeeland, MI 49464

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 17. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Yntema Funeral Home
251 S State St
Zeeland , MI 49464
(616) 772-2173
info@yntemafh.com
<http://langelandsterenberg.com/>

Memorial Service

JUL 18. 2:00 PM (ET)

Second Reformed Church
225 East Central Avenue
Zeeland, MI 49464

Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary Lou Bruursema*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - July 17, 2023 at 12:48 PM

CJ

“ *Everyone loved Mary Lou. She was naturally nice, naturally kind. I went through school with her, from kindergarten to graduation, and she was always like that. She made the world a better place. My condolences to her family.*

*Friend and classmate,
Connie Miller Johnston*

Connie Miller Johnston - August 09, 2023 at 02:03 AM

LF

“ *Ed and Michelle,
We're so sorry to hear of the loss of Ed's mom. She raised a good son who will carry her in your hearts forever.
Keeping you all in our prayers,
Rick and Linda Farr*



Linda (Caloni) Farr - July 19, 2023 at 04:23 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Bruursema.*



July 17, 2023 at 04:08 PM



“ *Dear Jan, Ed and Jill, you all have my sincere condolences at the loss of your beautiful mother. Growing up with Mary Lu as a neighbor, and close friend of my mother I always remember her to be one of the kindest ladies, I know. She always treated me so special, and Mary Lou will always have a special place in my heart! Thinking of you all during these very difficult times.*

Coco Klamt - July 17, 2023 at 02:34 PM



“ *I am so grateful to have known Mary Lou when she lived at Royal Park while I was serving as the chaplain there. She was a lovely lady. I remember visiting her and her husband and it was easy to believe they had been homecoming king and queen. She loved her family deeply and her church family too. She was one of SEVERAL Marys from Second Reformed along with Marianne, Mary, Marilyn...it always made me smile to see all of the "Marys" having lunch together with their pastors. My deepest sympathies to her loved ones. Sincerely, Cindy Nyhoff*

Cindy Nyhoff - July 17, 2023 at 09:55 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Bruursema.*



July 17, 2023 at 09:23 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Bruursema.*



July 16, 2023 at 07:55 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Bruursema.*



July 16, 2023 at 04:45 PM



“ *Dear Family of Mary Lou,
Mary Lou was a sweet and kind person. I first came to know her from working at Herman Miller and later through Second Church. Both Mary Lou and John were warm and caring people. I count it a blessing to have known them.
With sincere sympathy and prayers,
Char VanBeek*

Char VanBeek - July 16, 2023 at 03:13 PM

CE

“ So sorryto hear about Mary Lou. She was a great sister-in-law and a great lady. Praying for peace for all the family. Hugs Carole Bruursema Eyer

Carole Bruursema Eyer - July 15, 2023 at 06:26 PM