



Mary A. Van Heuvelen

August 11, 1942 - January 30, 2025

Mary Ann Van Heuvelen, age 82, of Holland, passed away peacefully on Thursday, January 30, 2025. Mary was born on August 11, 1942, to Ray and Florence Van Heuvelen.

Mary was a lifelong resident of Holland. She attended Holland Christian Schools and graduated from Holland Christian High School with the class of 1960 and attended Calvin College. Her career spanned 43 years and was spent working at Holland Furnace, Lear Siegler-Home Division, and retired from Magna Donnelly.

Mary was a life-long member of Central Avenue Christian Reformed Church where she taught Calvinettes/GEMS and also served on various church committees. She considered it her mission to send cards and notes of encouragement to members and staff of the church.

She was preceded in death by her parents and by her brother Raymond Junior Van Heuvelen, as well as her brother-in-law Ken Strickland; nephews, Kevin Cook and Bryan Cook; and great-nephew William Harthorn.

Mary is survived by her sisters; Elaine Strickland, Kathy (Don) Cook, and Linda (Steve) Harthorn; sister-in-law Denise Van Heuvelen; several nephews and nieces and great nephews and nieces.

To view the livestream of the service please visit; <https://www.youtube.com/@centralavenuechristianrefo9476/streams>

Funeral services will be 11:00 am. Monday, February 3, 2025 at Central Avenue Christian Reformed Church, 259 Central Ave. Holland with Rev. Chad Steenwyk officiating. Burial will be in Pilgrim Home Cemetery. Visitation will be 2-4 p.m. Sunday, February 2, at Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home, 315 E. 16th St. Holland. Memorial contributions may be given to Benjamin's Hope <https://www.benjaminshope.net> and Hospice of Holland <https://www.hollandhospice.org/>.

Cemetery Details

Pilgrim Home Cemetery

370 E. 16th St.
Holland, MI 49423

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 2. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

FEB 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

Central Avenue Christian Reformed Church
259 Central Ave.
Holland, MI 49423

Tribute Wall

MK

“ I was friends with Mary for over 40 years ... we first met at Donnelly Corporation. Mary and I spent many hours together sharing details of our very different life experiences and our hopes and dreams for the future. We were like teenagers sometimes, but we had many really meaningful times together. I have a hard time imaging the world without her.

Mary influenced my life in so many ways and we learned a great deal from each other. We spent a lot of time laughing ... at ourselves, at the foibles of others (and our own), and marveled that we were so different (backgrounds) and still had so much in common.

One of our really happy memories was our annual Christmas gathering at my house every year for over 35 years. There were five of us ... all women who worked together at Donnelly ... and we referred to ourselves as the Biddie Group. Those Christmas parties were so much fun. Of the five of us, Mary was the second to last of the group that passed in recent years. She was loved and respected by each of us. Especially by me.

I know that Mary will rest in peace with her beloved Jesus in Heaven. Her faith was strong. I know that we will all see her there again someday. In the meantime, I wish comfort and happy memories for her family.

Maryam Komejan

Maryam Komejan - February 01, 2025 at 02:18 AM

DM

“ Dear Van Heuvelen Family:

I worked with Mary at Donnelly, in a cubicle right next to her and we became very close. Mary knitted doll clothes for my daughter, made us each a pair of slippers and painted beautiful ice cream dishes that look like flowers for us. I still have these things and treasure them.

Unfortunately, we didn't continue to stay in touch.

My prayers go out to Mary's family and friends. I am sorry for your loss. I do know, God is rejoicing to have her home.

I regret I am unable to pay my respects. I am traveling and will not be back before her service.

*God Bless,
Donna Miller formerly Donna Kelly*

Donna Miller - January 31, 2025 at 10:20 PM

PB

“ Elaine

Sorry for your sudden loss of Mary.

I know how much joy and great memories you had with Mary.

Praying for you!

Pat

Boyd

Pat Boyd - January 31, 2025 at 03:55 PM