



## Mary E. Vander Linde

July 27, 1929 - March 25, 2022

Mary E. Vander Linde age 92, of Holland, died Friday, March 25, 2022.

Mary Vander Linde left her life on earth to be joined with other saints in the presence of her Lord and Savior. Mary had a deep Christian faith and was a remarkably kind, generous, and gracious person. She was a gifted performing musician and piano instructor, loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and devoted friend. She was dearly loved and will be greatly missed.

Mary was born in Petoskey, MI, graduated from Petoskey High School, and earned a degree in Music Education and Piano Performance from Michigan State University in 1951. She began her teaching career in Mason Public Schools. She met Henry P. Vander Linde in graduate school and they married and moved to Holland, MI in 1954 where they raised their family while she continued her career in music by instructing piano students. Over a span of more than 60 years, she taught piano to hundreds of students and became a leader in local, state, and national organizations promoting the certification of piano teachers in order to enhance the quality of piano instruction. Mary's professional life also included performance engagements as a collaborative pianist with church, local performing ensembles, and hundreds of high school students for solo and ensemble competitions.

At Central Avenue Christian Reformed Church in Holland, Mary was a faithful congregant, choir member, pianist, participant in and leader of multiple

ministries, Bible studies, and committees.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Henry in 2008 and is survived by her children:

Kristin K. and Lawrence McKay of Cheboygan, MI, Martha J. and Dr. Thomas Hart of St. Louis, MO, Dr. Scott H. and Dr. Marie (Westra) Vander Linde of Grand Rapids; 6 grandchildren Katie Miller (Seth), Larry McKay (Meghan), Meredith McKay (Financé Brandon Krebs), Christopher Hart (Eva), Annica VanderLinde Quakenbush (Peter) and Kristin Vander Linde; 6 great-grandchildren (with one more on the way); sisters-in-law Patricia (Vander Linde) Ryan, Melvina Vander Linde Pranger; and many nephews and nieces. Her family is grateful for care provided at American House of Wyoming and Kindred Hospice in past years, and for Faith Hospice during her last days.

Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 29, 2022 at Central Avenue Christian Reformed Church, 259 Central Ave. Holland with Rev. Chad Steenwyk officiating. (live-stream at <https://www.youtube.com/c/CentralAvenueChristianReformedChurch/featured>). Burial will take place prior to the service in Pilgrim Home Cemetery. Visitation will be 4-7 p.m. Monday, March 28, 2022 at Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home, 315 E. 16th St. Holland. Memorial contributions may be given (in memory of Mary E. Vander Linde) to <https://donate.bluelake.org/camp> and <https://kindredhospice.com/locations/kindred-hospice-grand-rapids/>. To leave a condolence and more information, please visit [www.langelandsterenberg.com](http://www.langelandsterenberg.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Pilgrim Home Cemetery

370 E. 16th St.  
Holland, MI 49423

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 28. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home  
315 E 16th St  
Holland, MI 49423  
(616) 392-2306  
[info@langelandsterenberg.com](mailto:info@langelandsterenberg.com)  
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## Funeral Service

MAR 29. 11:00 AM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall

FB

“ 2-1-24 So sorry to read of your mom Mary E. Vander Linde passing in Holland Mi. I knew of her & your wonderful father but never met your family. Mary's father Otto Scott is one of many brothers to Earl A Scott. Otto & Earl are the only brothers who had children among their siblings. In 1929 Earl & their brother Francis W Scott (& a neighbor man) passed, due to a snow blizzard while driving to work at the Scott brothers paper-lumber mill near Pickford or Newberry Upper Peninsula Michigan. Their vehicle was crossing a rail road track, they could not see a train coming thru the snow. There is a newspaper article on this tragedy. Earl Scott & his young wife Dorothy had three sons Stewart, Vernon, & Fredrick who raised their families in Michigan towns Waterford, Brighton, Royal Oak. These three guys are the only Scott 1st cousins to your mom Mary Scott-Vander Linde. Earl A Scott is my grandfather whom I've never met and Vernon James Scott Sr is my father. I am Faith writing this note. Stewart living children are in Waterford Mi with their families Don Scott & Dorothy Scott-Cullen; Vernon living children are David Scott & Faith Scott-Brady Commerce Twp Mi, Vernon Jr Milford, & Vernie-Ann Scott-Seach California; Fredrick living children are Lisa Scott-Johnson Howell Mi. We all have children & grand children & greets over here in East Michigan. We are your East Michigan Cousins to your West Michigan Vander Linde family. !!

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**Fa Brady** - February 01, 2024 at 11:42 PM



“ *Mary E. Vander Linde*

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August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM

JV

“ I just had the privilege of watching the funeral service for Mary VanderLinde. It was a beautiful service for a beautiful soul. Our family was so blessed by Mary through piano lessons for Bruce and Carol, starting at age 7 all the way through high school. Although Bruce was educated as an engineer, music drew him back and he is the music director at a very large church. Mary had a profound influence on his love of and expertise with music. She was a wonderful teacher. We will always remember her with love. Jim and Marsha Vanderveen

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**Jim and Marsha Vanderveen** - March 30, 2022 at 12:41 PM

KM

“ Karen R Meyer lit a candle in memory of Mary E. Vander Linde



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**Karen R Meyer** - March 28, 2022 at 03:00 PM

KM

“ Our Memories are many most of them deal with music one way or another. what a wonder lady she will be missed. our prayers go out to the whole family.  
Michael and Karen

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**Karen R Meyer** - March 28, 2022 at 02:59 PM

JD

“ I met Mary and family along time ago at Cedar lake Bible conference. I met Mary 2 years ago when I was in American House w my broken knee. We had a lot of good talks about music,the Vander Linde family Henry's because I grew up in Beckwith hills CRC and thats where they went. She was a very talented piano player and wonderful Christian lady. May God give you strength and grace at this its so hard to lose a mother. I still miss mine it's been 3 years. But they are all up in heaven singing praises w Jesus what a day that wb. JESSICA DERUITER (DEVOS)

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**Jessica DeRuiter** - March 28, 2022 at 10:48 AM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Mary E. Vander Linde.



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March 26, 2022 at 04:32 PM

SH

“ Kris, Marf, Scott and family. What wonderful times we had with your Mom, a great friend, and fun bridge player! I will miss seeing all of you because we are still in Florida. May God bless you with great memories of a very special person!  
Sharon Hulst

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**Sharon Hulst** - March 26, 2022 at 11:54 AM

TF

“ *When Steve Barendse and I were doing duet work in churches in the Holland area, Mary would accompany us. She was always so kind. She and Van were fun people to be around. I am sorry to hear that she is gone. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.*

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**Thomas M Folkert** - March 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM