



## Matthew Scott Gerig

May 28, 1975 - December 4, 2025

Matthew Scott Gerig, age 50, of West Olive, Michigan, passed away on December 4, 2025, surrounded by the love of his family. Born on May 28, 1975, Matt brought compassion, humor, and resilience to every chapter of his life.

He is survived by his devoted parents, Doyle and Linda Gerig; his brothers Grant (Michelle) Gerig and Todd (Tammy) Gerig; and his sister Jo Ellen (Dave) Strey. Matt was a deeply proud and loving uncle who treasured every moment with his nieces and nephews: Addyson and Easton Gerig; Gillian, Natalie, and Sophia Gerig; Olivia, Logan, Claire, Mason, Rae, and Lucy Strey; as well as Tara Bartee. Their lives were brighter because of his presence, encouragement, and unwavering affection.

In 1996, a car accident left Matt paralyzed—an event that dramatically changed the course of his life but never dimmed his spirit. Despite the physical challenges and ongoing health issues he faced, Matt refused to let adversity define him. His positivity, courage, and deep love for his family and close friends became a source of strength for everyone around him. He had a remarkable ability to bring people together, offering warmth, perspective, and a sense of gratitude that inspired all who knew him.

Matt was also a passionate sports fan who found tremendous joy in following

his favorite teams. He rarely missed a chance to cheer on the Indiana Hoosiers, and his love for Manchester City ran deep—celebrating every victory and riding out every nail-biting match with enthusiasm. Sports were more than a pastime for Matt; they were a source of connection, excitement, and camaraderie that he shared with those around him.

Matt's life was a testament to resilience, loyalty, and the power of connection. His legacy lives on in the hearts of those he touched with his kindness, humor, and quiet determination.

He will be profoundly missed and forever loved.

A memorial service will be at 11:00AM on Friday, December 12, 2025, at Holland Church of Christ, 405 Beeline Rd, Holland, MI 49424. Visitation will be from 4:00-7:00 on Thursday, December 11 also at church. Memorial contributions may be given to Camp Sunshine (<https://www.campsunshinemicigan.org/donate>).

Arrangements are by Yntema Funeral Home, 251 South State Street, Zeeland, MI 49464. To leave condolences online, please visit [www.yntemafh.com](http://www.yntemafh.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Zeeland Cemetery (Original Cemetery)

220 East Lincoln Avenue  
Zeeland, MI 49464

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 11. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Holland Church of Christ  
405 Beeline Rd  
Holland, MI 49424

## Memorial Service

DEC 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

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405 Beeline Rd  
Holland, MI 49424

# Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Matthew Scott Gerig*



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**Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes** - January 28 at 11:50 AM

NK

“ *Nugens (Rob, Michele & Kids) purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Matthew Scott Gerig.*



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**Nugens (Rob, Michele & Kids)** - December 12, 2025 at 05:33 AM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Matthew Scott Gerig.*



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December 11, 2025 at 03:36 PM

LF

“ Love, Dan, Debbie & family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Matthew Scott Gerig.

Love, Dan, Debbie & family - December 11, 2025 at 03:36 PM

MD

“ Mark & Diana Davis purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Matthew Scott Gerig.



Mark & Diana Davis - December 10, 2025 at 09:02 PM

MD

“ Mark & Diana Davis planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Matthew Scott Gerig.

Mark & Diana Davis - December 10, 2025 at 09:02 PM

TW

“ Troy Weber purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Matthew Scott Gerig.



Troy Weber - December 10, 2025 at 05:06 PM

TF

“ *The Wright and Pizzo families purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Matthew Scott Gerig.*



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**The Wright and Pizzo families** - December 10, 2025 at 04:31 PM

SE

“ *Keeping your family in our thoughts as you all mourn the loss of Matt. May his memory bring you strength and love. Brian, Stacie, Mazie and Myles Ehler*

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**Stacie Ehler** - December 09, 2025 at 12:18 PM

KL

“ *Ken and Cindy Luxton purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Matthew Scott Gerig.*



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**Ken and Cindy Luxton** - December 08, 2025 at 02:55 PM

CK

“ *Charles K. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Matthew Scott Gerig.*

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**Charles K.** - December 08, 2025 at 10:18 AM

PH

“ Todd, Tammy and family, We are sincerely sorry for your loss in a brother and uncle. May God’s loving arms be around you with comfort during these most difficult moments in time.  
Greg and Patty Hanson

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**Patty Hanson** - December 07, 2025 at 06:18 PM

DD

“ Diane D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Matthew Scott Gerig.

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**Diane D.** - December 06, 2025 at 05:44 PM

TT

“ The Shape Team purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Matthew Scott Gerig.



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**The Shape Team** - December 06, 2025 at 09:57 AM

RB

“ Randi B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Matthew Scott Gerig.

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**Randi B.** - December 05, 2025 at 08:22 PM

CW

“ Carl, Christina & Colton Wood purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Matthew Scott Gerig.



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**Carl, Christina & Colton Wood** - December 05, 2025 at 08:02 PM

LK

“ Love, Marek and Keli purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Matthew Scott Gerig.



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**Love, Marek and Keli** - December 05, 2025 at 05:50 PM