



## Orval Junior Essink

October 18, 1938 - November 19, 2024

Orval Junior Essink, age 86, of Zeeland, passed away on November 19, 2024.

Orval was a devoted husband to Marilyn for 65 years and a loving father and an adoring grandfather and great-grandfather. He found joy in tinkering in his workshop, where he dedicated hours to fixing things and assisting others with his vast collection of tools. An avid gardener and restorer of antique tractors, he found solace in nature and the simplicity of working with his hands. Following graduation from Zeeland High School, he served in the Army Reserves. He worked 37 years for Consumers Power. Following retirement he continued to work at various jobs.

Orval is survived by his wife, Marilyn Essink; children: Tim Essink, Beth (Marc) Clevenger, Matt (Kari) Essink, Jennifer Essink; grandchildren: Nathan Clevenger, Amanda Clevenger, Bradley (Michelle) Clevenger, Kaleb Essink, and Justin Essink; great-grandchildren: Owen, Brinley, Charlie, and Stephen; sister, Marilyn Cranmer; sister-in-law Karal Hoffman; brother-in-law Beryle Wigger; step-brothers Larry (Gay) VanderBie, Rick (Gayle) VanderBie as well as extended family. Orval was preceded in death by his granddaughter, Morgan Nicole Essink.

Funeral services will be at 11:00 AM on Saturday, November 23, 2024, and held at Overisel Reformed Church, 4706 142nd Ave. Holland, MI 49423.

Visitation will be from 4:00-6:00 PM on Friday, November 22 also at Overisel Reformed Church. Memorial contributions can be made to Compassionate Heart Ministries (<https://compheart.org/donate/>). Arrangements are by Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home, 315 East 16th St. Holland, MI 49423. [www.langelandsterenbergh.com](http://www.langelandsterenbergh.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Overisel Cemetery

4630 143rd Avenue  
Holland, MI 49423

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 22. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Overisel Reformed Church  
4706 142nd Ave.,  
Holland , MI 49423  
<http://www.orcministries.org/>

## Funeral Service

NOV 23. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Orval Junior Essink.

November 22, 2024 at 08:40 AM



“ Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Orval Junior Essink.



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“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Orval Junior Essink.

November 22, 2024 at 08:33 AM



“ Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of Orval Junior Essink.



November 22, 2024 at 08:33 AM

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“ I am grateful to have met Orval and chatted with him at Royal Atrium Inn where I serve as a chaplain. He knew who my parents were and thought we might even be distantly related because my dad's mother was an Essink. He was a very cheerful, friendly person. I am grateful that Chaplain Doug Hoeve knew him well and was able to visit him. My sympathies to Orval's family and loved ones. Sincerely, Cindy Nyhoff

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**Cindy Nyhoff** - November 21, 2024 at 12:53 PM

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“ Our condolences!

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**Ernie and Melanie Rotman** - November 21, 2024 at 11:51 AM