



Ravina Kruizenga

July 8, 1939 - December 24, 2025

Ravina (Vugteveen) Kruizenga, age 86, was taken home to glory by her loving and faithful Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Wednesday, December 24, 2025.

Ravina was born on July 8, 1939 in Sioux County, Iowa. As a child, Ravina grew up on a farm and enjoyed playing outside with her siblings and cousins; she often recalled making leaf piles, pretend houses, and mudpies. Her family moved from Iowa to Holland, Michigan in 1953. Ravina met her husband, Harvard Kruizenga, in 1961 while she was working at the Sunday School Guide. They married on February 22, 1962 at Western Theological Seminary in Holland and went on to welcome two children, Chad and Candy. Over the course of their marriage, they ministered together to many churches, serving each congregation generously and whole-heartedly.

In addition to being a dedicated mother and loving wife, Ravina also loved gardening, knitting and crocheting, cross-stitching, baking, and serving in her local church. She was much beloved by her friends, family, and church community, and was known by the children in the church for always having Smarties candy ready to give. Throughout her life, she held an unwavering faith in God, which she boldly shared with everyone she met.

Ravina was preceded in death by her husband, Harvard; her brother, Marvin Vugteveen; her parents, Henry and Lena Vugteveen; her brother-in-law, Floyd

Terpstra; her sister-in-law, Jean Vugteveen. She will be lovingly remembered by her children, Chad Kruizenga (Becky) and Candy Brickey (Johnny); her siblings, Lloyd Vugteveen (Edy), Burdetta Baumann (Bern), and Hank Vugteveen (Phyllis); her grandchildren, Elisabeth Schumaker (Jacob), Jasper Heard, Zoe Heard (Ethan Hurley), Edie Heard, Benjamin Kruizenga, and Ruby Brickey; her great-grandchildren, James Schumaker and Emery Schumaker; many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews.

Friends and family are invited to a visitation on Monday, December 29th from 4-6 p.m. at Graafschap Christian Reformed Church, 5973 Church St, Holland, MI 49423. A Celebration of Life will be held on Tuesday, December 30th at 11:00 a.m. at the Graafschap Christian Reformed Church, Rev. Phil Kok officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to the People Helping People (<https://phppullman.org/>) in Pullman, Michigan.

Cemetery Details

Graafschap Cemetery

32nd Steet at Graafschap Road
Holland, MI 49423

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **29**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Graafschap Christian Reformed Church
5973 Church Street
Holland, MI 49423

Celebration of Life

DEC **30**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Ravina Kruizenga*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - December 29, 2025 at 09:00 AM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Ravina Kruizenga.*



December 29, 2025 at 09:49 AM



“ *Ravina was a loving mother-in-law to me for 22 years; and she continued to be a doting, devoted grandmother to my children to the end of her days. I think she would have hoped to be remembered, and deservingly so, for her desire that all her children & grandchildren be saved by Christ and have an increasing love for Him grow in their hearts. I'm sure it was an endless prayer of hers.*

My own prayers are with you —her family— now, for though she's finally gone to her true home and is free from all suffering, still I'm saddened to think of the vast void she's leaving here for all who love her. God be with you and comfort you.

Carol Helms - December 28, 2025 at 05:37 AM