



Reatha Brink

February 27, 1938 - March 8, 2022

Reatha Brink, age 84, of Zeeland, went to be with her Lord on Tuesday, March 8, 2022.

She was preceded in death by her son Bruce.

She is survived by her husband of 63 years, Andrew; children Chuck and Laurie Brink, Julie and Dennis Russcher, Sherry and Dr. Tad Boeve, Barbara Brink, Beth and Jack Timmer; 15 grandchildren, Ross and Lisa Brink, Kristin and Dr. Dan O'Callaghan, Terri and Dr. Luke VanderWeide, Tim and Melanie Russcher, Jeff and Lisa Russcher, Jeremy and Erin Russcher, Lewie and Shelby Russcher, Johanna and Hans Schubert, Elizabeth and Rev. Jacob Boyd, Katie and David Blank, Sam Boeve, Jessica and Levi Seif, Jolyn and Jacob Smallegan, Jenna Timmer, Jacob Timmer; 26 great grandchildren; in-laws, Marilyn Emelander, Rev. Al Bytwerk, Willard and Thelma Brink, Marge and Rev. Lloyd Wolters, Berdella and Ed Cooper, Nate and Marilyn Brink, Gloria and Curt Huyser, June Van Farowe, Pearl and Stan Vos; many nieces and nephews.

Reatha was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother. She spent her life as a farmer's wife and used her skills outside of the home to volunteer as a 4-H Leader and member of Drenthe Ladies Aid Society and Christian School Circle. Andy and Reatha also spent many years doing short-term mission trips

to Honduras and Guatemala as well as monthly volunteers at the Christian Reformed Conference Grounds.

Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m. Monday, March 28, 2022 at Drenthe Christian Reformed Church, 6344 Adams St. Zeeland, with Rev. Gary DeKoekKoek officiating. Burial will be in West Drenthe Cemetery. Visitation will be 1-3 and 6-8 p.m. Sunday, March 27, at Yntema Funeral Home, 251 S. State St. Zeeland. Memorial contributions may be given to Harbor House Ministries, 919 44th St SW, Jenison, MI 49428. To leave a condolence and more information, please visit www.yntemafh.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 27. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Yntema Funeral Home
251 S State St
Zeeland , MI 49464
(616) 772-2173
info@yntemafh.com
<http://langelandsterenberg.com/>

Visitation

MAR 27. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

MAR 28. 11:00 AM.

Drenthe Christian Reformed Church

Tribute Wall



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“ *Reatha Brink*

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“ Andy,
Darrel Johnson here. Andy's old Navy buddy.
I used to watch Andy write those letter back home to Reatha as far
back as 1957-1958.

He also received a steady stream of letter in return which make
"Mail call" a special time
for Andy and the rest of us! His commitment to his future wife's was
solid as we traveled many foreign ports together. I was a new
believer in Jesus at the time and he disciplined me in the basics truths
of the Bible. I learned the words on paper, but I saw this lived out
daily in the life of this future husband, father, grand father, great
grandfather.

His patient teaching and modeling demonstrated that it was possible
to stand for Jesus in the midst of a spiritually hostile environment.
Thanks Andy, I needed that!

It was decades later that my wife and I met Retha on a trip to the
farm at the invitation of the Brinks! Great time !

His early spiritual investment in me resulted in my marrying a
wonderful Christian wife, graduation from Christian College and
Seminary, nearly 60 years of ministry including pastoring a church,
discipling men and 25 year of adjunct teaching in a theological
seminary.

Thank you Andy for your part in multiplying the ministry of Jesus
through this wounded
new believer. I am praying for you now in your loss of that partner
through which together you are developing a spiritual legacy that
will live on through your children, grand children and the large
number of great grand kids into eternity.

Blessings and prayers

Your brother in Christ Jesus

Darrel Johnson

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