



Richard Dykstra

September 12, 1944 - September 12, 2016

Richard Dykstra, 72, of Hudsonville, was called in God's infinite wisdom to his eternal home on Monday, September 12, 2016. A faithful servant, a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and a friend to many, Richard will be greatly missed. Richard was born in Grand Rapids on April 8, 1944, to Donald and Tina (Holthof) Dykstra. He was a lifelong member of Hudsonville Protestant Reformed Church. Rich married Faye Kuiper on August 8, 1963, and they raised their family in Hudsonville. For many years, Rich and Faye enjoyed sailing, traveling, and golfing with family and friends. Richard founded Dykstra's Auto in 1984 and truly loved his work. Throughout his life, Rich's calling was clear; to serve God, his family, and community. Rich had a deep love for his family, spending time with his wife, their children, and their grandchildren. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Faye, their children and grandchildren: Randy and Suzanne Dykstra (Jonathan and Katie, Alex, Derek, Nicholas), Eric and Cara Dykstra (Erica, Jason, Leah, Davis), Jim and Lori Dykstra (Ethan, Jayden, Zoe, Jackson, Mya); siblings: Albert Dykstra, Arnold and Donna Dykstra, Donald Dykstra, in-laws: Rose Dykstra, Jane Elzinga, Joyce and Larry Hoezee, Jay and Jone Kuiper, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his son Curtis Allen Dykstra in 1964, his brother Tunis, and his in-laws: Harriet Dykstra, Robert Scott, and Robert Elzinga. A funeral service for Richard Dykstra to honor the God he served, the faith he lived, and the life he was given, will be held at 1:30 pm, Friday, September 16, 2016, at Hudsonville Protestant Reformed Church, 5101

Beechtree, Hudsonville, 49426. Visitation will be 2-4 pm and 6:30-8:30 pm, Thursday also at church. Private interment will be in Georgetown Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Heritage Christian School, Zion Christian School, or Covenant Christian High School.

Tribute Wall



“ *Richard Dykstra* ”

August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *"My serious condolences.Henk Dijkstra from Holland Europe. At the moment in Balikpapan Indonesia"* ”

A friend - September 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *"Our sincere condolences to each and every one."* ”

Hank Zomer - September 18, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *"Rich was a pillar in the community and touched many of our lives at Pete's Auto Parts. He will be very missed. Much love to his family and friends during this difficult time."* ”

Amber Kendrick - September 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *"dear Faye & family, sorry we could not be with you to share your grief but know that we are thinking of you & keep you in our prayers"* ”

floyd - September 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *"Sympathy and prayers to the Dykstra family.AES Equipment"* ”

AES Equipment - September 16, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TB

“*“May God grant peace to the Dykstra family at this time of loss. Knew Rich for many,many years at Dykstra's auto. Will miss his humor, kind wishes and honesty in his business. He has passed much along to all that knew him. One of the kindest, most giving people I have known. Save me a seat Rich, I'll see you again.”*”

Tom Broekhuizen - September 15, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RO

“*“Dear Faye and family: We were deeply saddened to hear of Rich's passing. Our heartfelt condolences to you and your family and may the Lord sustain you in this time of loss. We remember Rich from way back at "Rol and Jerry's". Dykstra Auto has through the years certainly taken very good care of the Laninga's. It's a business run with true Christian values. We will miss seeing Rich at Rainbow too. May the Lord bless you all, Roger and Thelma Laninga”*”

Roger - September 15, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JA

“*“SO SORRY TO HEAR THAT RICH PASSED AWAY. WISH WE COULD BE THERE. OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS WILL BE WITH YOU.”*”

JAKE - September 15, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JA

“*“My deepest sympathies to the extended Dykstra family.”*”

Jack A - September 15, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GA

“*“Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family. May God's peace be with all of you during this time.”*”

Gary - September 15, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JV

“*Dear Faye, you were so sweet to me when I lost the love of my life , my husband John almost 2 years ago now. I'm so sorry for your loss because I know you and Rich were a very sweet and loving couple as well, who were never far from each other! So thankful that we will see them again in eternity and be whole and healthy forever! I will be out of town this weekend but you will be in my thoughts and prayers. Please call me if you would like to talk. Hugs*”

Jan VanderWal - September 14, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GH

“*Dear Faye and family, So sorry for your loss~May God in his tender mercy give you peace and comfort. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*”

Gib and Marlene Van Hill - September 14, 2016 at 12:00 AM