



Robert J. Kuiper

December 8, 1926 - March 16, 2024

Robert J. Kuiper, 97, of Holland, passed away Saturday, March 16, 2024.

Bob was born December 8, 1926, to Raymond J. and Lois (Thoms) Kuiper. He graduated from Holland High School in 1944. On his behalf, Bob's mother accepted his diploma because Bob enlisted in the U.S. Navy at the age of 17, after his father signed his enlistment authorization. During WWII, he served as a radioman in the U.S. Navy on a sub chaser in the Pacific Theater. On June 9, 1948, he married Eleanor Armstrong of Marseilles, Illinois, and graduated from Hope College in 1950. Bob is a man of the Greatest Generation, although he would never say that.

Bob owned and operated several businesses including Dutch Boy Company and Central Park IGA. His interests included raising show horses, boating, golf, and tennis. He had a beautiful singing voice and enjoyed leading the choir in Florida, where Bob and Elle enjoyed 31 winters. He was a member of Third Reformed Church where he had served on the consistory.

Bob is survived by his beloved wife of 75 years, Elle, three children: Jack Kuiper of Holland, Bill (Lil) Kuiper of Marseilles, IL, and Kathy (Mike) Albers of Collegeville, PA; seven grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, with two more arriving later this year. He was preceded in death by his sister Betty Kole.

Funeral services with military honors will be held at 2:00 PM, Friday, March 22, 2024, at Third Reformed Church, 111 W. 13th Street, Holland MI 49423. Visitation will be Friday, 12:00 noon - 1:45 PM, also at Third Reformed Church, prior to the service. Interment will be in Pilgrim Home Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Mission Memorial Fund of Third Reformed Church. Arrangements by the Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home, 315 E. 16th Street, Holland MI 49423. www.langelandsterenbergh.com

Cemetery Details

Pilgrim Home Cemetery

370 E. 16th St.
Holland, MI 49423

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 22. 12:00 PM - 1:45 PM (ET)

Third Reformed Church
111 West 13th St.
Holland, MI 49423

Funeral Service

MAR 22. 2:00 PM - 2:50 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Robert Kuiper Funeral Honors in memory of Robert J. Kuiper*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - March 23, 2024 at 03:17 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert J. Kuiper.*



March 20, 2024 at 09:11 AM



“ *Shirley Helmink and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert J. Kuiper.*

Shirley Helmink and Family - March 20, 2024 at 09:11 AM



“ *Teri Hoffman purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Robert J. Kuiper.*



Teri Hoffman - March 19, 2024 at 08:12 AM

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“ Cheri DeVries purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert J. Kuiper.



Cheri DeVries - March 18, 2024 at 08:58 PM

LH

“ Lori and Chuck Hackley purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert J. Kuiper.



Lori and Chuck Hackley - March 18, 2024 at 03:22 PM