



Ronald Gregory Klamt

December 14, 1930 - December 11, 2024

Ronald Gregory Klamt, 93, of Zeeland, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, December 11, 2024.

Ron was born in Chicago, Illinois, on December 14, 1930, to Clarence and Elsie (Seekman) Klamt. Ron graduated from Assumption High School in Windsor, Ontario, Canada and married Lorraine Bekins in 1951. He served his country in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict from 1951-1953. Ron was a longtime member of the Gilbert D. Karsten America Legion Post in Zeeland and volunteered many years on their Rifle Salute Honor Guard. Ron and Lorraine raised their daughter Sherrie in Zeeland. Ron worked in the family business, Zeeland Dry Cleaners, and several other laundromats and dry cleaners. He also owned Aseltine Cider Mill and worked there until he was 88. Ron and Lorraine were longtime members of St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church and became parishioners of St. Sebastian Catholic Church more recently. In 2019, Lorraine preceded Ron in death.

Ron was an excellent athlete in his youth. He played football and baseball and even played semi-pro football for the Holland Hurricanes. Ron loved to fish, golf, and play cards. He enjoyed traveling with Lorraine, and they traveled all around the world. Ron was also one of Notre Dame's greatest fans, and he rarely missed a Zeeland Chix or Zeeland Dux home football game.

Ron is survived by his daughter Sherrie Stefan, grandchildren: Kristin & Ryan Compagner, Jon Stefan; great-grandchildren: Reagan, Avery, & Quinn Compagner; sisters-in-law: Kathy Klamt, Lynn Bekins, and many extended family members.

A memorial mass will be celebrated at 10:30 AM, Tuesday, December 17, 2024, at St. Sebastian Catholic Church, 9408 Wilson Ave., Byron Center, MI 49315. Visiting hour will be 4:00 - 7:00 PM, Sunday, December 15, at the Yntema Funeral Home, 251 S. State Street, Zeeland MI 49464. Interment will be in the Veteran's Section of Zeeland Cemetery. Memorial donations in honor of Ron Klamt may be made to Hospice of Holland.

Cemetery Details

Zeeland Cemetery (Original Cemetery)

220 East Lincoln Avenue
Zeeland, MI 49464

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 15. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Memorial Mass

DEC 17. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Sebastian Catholic Church
9408 Wilson Ave.
Byron Center, MI 49315

Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Ronald Gregory Klamt*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - December 14, 2024 at 01:05 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Ronald Gregory Klamt.*



December 14, 2024 at 10:30 PM



“ *When I worked at the Highlander Men's Store in Zeeland, Ron would walk through the store a couple of times a day on his way from the dry cleaners to Frank's where he joined several others for coffee. He always had something fun to share. I am sorry to hear of his passing. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.*

Thomas Folkert - December 13, 2024 at 08:40 AM

MV

Ron and my dad Bill Kiel would meet almost every morning in Florida where they were neighbors for years in Paradise Bay Estates. They had fun teasing each other about their political leanings and enjoyed each other's company. Later, Ron and I were neighbors enjoying weather and beautiful sunsets. I enjoyed meeting his grandchildren and their families when they came to visit. Sincere condolences to his family. May happy memories flood your heart, and bring you peace.

Marcia Voet - January 06, 2025 at 10:45 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ronald Gregory Klamt.

December 12, 2024 at 09:04 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Ronald Gregory Klamt.



December 12, 2024 at 09:04 PM

BS

“ We are saddened at the loss of our friend and mentor,he taught us all how to live.he will be missed every Tuesday at golf,no one can take his place,this is bill swartz,I think a couple of guys still owe him a quarter,we wish his entire family the best,you sure had a great person to live with....God bless you all

Bill swartz - December 12, 2024 at 02:32 PM