



Terese Marie Hays

March 30, 1939 - March 28, 2023

On Tuesday, March 28, Terese Marie Walling Hays, peacefully passed away at Resthaven in Holland, Michigan, at the age of 83. Born in Milan, Illinois, to George and Alice DePorter, Terese was the 6th of 8 children. She married Dean D. Walling in 1961, and they had five children: Ann Britten (Chris), Matthew Walling, Mark Walling (Shari), John Walling (Smitha), and Thomas Walling (Paige). Dean passed away in 1973, and Terese married James A. Hays in 1974. Upon her marriage, they became a family of seven with the addition of Jim's children, John Hays (Bobby Anne) and Kathy Hays Johnson.

Terese is survived by her husband, Jim, of 48 years, children, 15 grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren.

Terese was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Holland, where she sang in the choir. Her love for music extended to the piano, and she could play any tune by ear. She enjoyed being active and was particularly fond of the outdoors. Terese never knew a stranger, and she will be remembered for her laugh and zeal for life. Her life was truly a tribute to the Lord she loved. She helped brighten and uplift the lives of everyone she encountered.

Visitation will be 4:00-6:00 pm Tuesday, April 4 at Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home, 315 East 16th Street, Holland, MI 49423. The Celebration of Life Service will be Wednesday, April 5 at 11:00 am at the First United

Methodist Church of Holland, 57 West 10th Street, Holland, MI 49423, with a one hour visitation preceding at 10:00 am. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Resthaven of Holland and Hospice of Holland. www.langelandsterenberg.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 4. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home
315 E 16th St
Holland, MI 49423
(616) 392-2306
info@langelandsterenberg.com
<http://langelandsterenberg.com/>

Visitation

APR 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First United Methodist Church
57 West 10th St.
Holland, MI 49423

Funeral Service

APR 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

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57 West 10th St.
Holland, MI 49423

Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Terese Marie Hays*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - April 03, 2023 at 05:08 PM

KJ

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Kathy Hays Johnson - April 26, 2023 at 09:41 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Terese Marie Hays.*



April 04, 2023 at 01:20 PM

DW

“ Terese and I were good friends through high school. I loved visiting the DePorter home in Milan and getting to know her whole family. I moved away but always looked forward to seeing Terese at the reunions.

My condolences to all the family.

Donna Tobin Westemeyer

Donna Tobin Westemeyer - April 04, 2023 at 01:19 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Terese Marie Hays.



April 04, 2023 at 08:15 AM

MG

“ I am sorry Terese has passed. We met through a Newcomers woman's bridge club and she was delightful to know. I still use her recipe for a make-ahead salad bowl. You have parted with a treasure.

Marty Graham - April 01, 2023 at 01:49 PM

PT

“ My dear family of friends.

It is Pat Timmerman. I have no idea why I googled Terese's name just now. How sad I am. I have tried through the years to reach both you and Terese, Jim to no avail. I even googled two of your oldest sons, who were old enough in the 70's/maybe 80's to possibly remember me.

Joanne, too, how sorry I am to hear your sad news. Your whole family; please know you are in my loving thoughts with prayers for all of you.

Kathy, thoughts are often with you and Bert, your parents and siblings too.

*Love,
Pat*

Pat Timmerman - March 31, 2023 at 09:53 PM

JD

“ Jeff and Stacy DePorter purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Terese Marie Hays.



Jeff and Stacy DePorter - March 31, 2023 at 03:34 PM

NB

“ Terese had such a lovely smile & was always ready to welcome any of her kids' friends into her home. We are very sorry for your loss.
Nancy & Jon Baker

Nancy & Jon Baker - March 31, 2023 at 12:04 PM

DN

“ *Terese Family,
I'm so sorry for your loss. You know my favorite memory was when I visited after my graduation in 1977. Terese was very full of life and saw the positive side of life. I loved visiting with your family then and would love to visit with you all now so please call me. I'm living in AZ currently. I would love to make a memory bear for any of you all. Just call me. I will as you will, miss her very much. Our prayers are with you all at this time and always, Love, Doreen DePorter Noth, AZ*

Doreen Noth - March 30, 2023 at 08:14 PM