



## Thelma Eileen Machiela

June 12, 1937 - February 18, 2026

Thelma Eileen (VanZoeren) Machiela, age 88, of Holland, passed away peacefully on February 18, 2026.

Thelma was born in Zeeland, MI on June 12, 1937, to Richard and Margaret VanZoeren. Thelma was employed in various data processing jobs and volunteered in many community organizations. She was an active member of Christ Memorial Church and especially enjoyed singing in the choir and being a part of the quilting group.

Thelma was a devoted wife and mother. She adored her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. and she will be deeply missed.

Thelma is survived by her husband, Norm Machiela; her sons: Craig & Charity Machiela, Troy & Dawn Machiela, Lance & Jennifer Machiela; 9 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren; siblings: Keith (Ann) VanZoeren, Judy Hardy, Diane (Kurt) Lower; as well as many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her brother and sister-in-law, Max and Jeanne VanZoeren, and brother-in-law, Chip Hardy.

A memorial service will be at 11:00 AM on Friday, March 6, 2026, in the Chapel at Christ Memorial Church, 595 Graafschap Rd, Holland, MI 49423.

Visitation prior to the service on Friday will begin at 10:00 AM. Memorial contributions in Thelma's name may be given to Benjamin's Hope.

The Machiela family is being served by Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home, 315 East 16th Street, Holland, MI 49423. To leave condolences online, please visit [www. langelandsterenbergh.com](http://www.langelandsterenbergh.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 6. 10:00 AM (ET)

Christ Memorial Church  
595 Graafschap Rd  
Holland, MI 49423

## Memorial Service

MAR 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

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595 Graafschap Road  
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## Memorial Service Livestream

MAR 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

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595 Graafschap Rd  
Holland, MI 49423

<https://www.youtube.com/live/znU29YOk7RM>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Thelma Machiela funeral service in memory of Thelma Eileen Machiela*



**Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes** - March 07 at 09:31 AM

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“ *Chad and Jennifer, Trent,Clay Hardy purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Thelma Eileen Machiela.*



**Chad and Jennifer, Trent,Clay Hardy** - March 03 at 07:11 AM

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“ *Chad and Jennifer, Trent,Clay Hardy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thelma Eileen Machiela.*

**Chad and Jennifer, Trent,Clay Hardy** - March 03 at 07:11 AM

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“ *Sorry for your loss. Thelma will be missed. So many great memories growing up at your pool and around your house - she was always so warm and welcoming.*

**Greg Schrotenboer** - February 25 at 05:40 PM

