



William A. Zimmer

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Mr. William A. Zimmer, age 84, went to be with his Lord, early Tuesday morning, March 26, 2013. He was born May 24, 1928 in Detroit, MI to Delos and Anne (Judson) Zimmer. Bill was a U.S. Army Veteran and worked for Geerpres, Inc. for 28 years before retiring in 1992. He was a member of Unity Reformed Church, where he served as an Elder and Deacon. Bill was an avid gardener and adored his grandchildren. On October 20, 1950 he married the former Marilyn Kooi, and she survives him along with 4 children, William (Ginger Davis) Zimmer of Casper, Wyoming, Gayle (Robert M.) Townsend of North Muskegon, Cheryl Zimmer, Mark Zimmer both of Norton Shores; 5 grandchildren; 5 ½ great-grandchildren; 2 brothers, Jerry Zimmer of Norton Shores, and Ted (Pat) Zimmer of Twin Lake. He was also preceded in death by his parents and 3 half brothers, Paul, Don, and Richard Pasco. VISITATION with the family will be 5-8PM Friday at The Lee Chapel, Sytsema Funeral Homes, Inc. 6291 S. Harvey St. (231) 798-1100. The FUNERAL SERVICE will be 11AM Saturday at Unity Reformed Church (1521 Porter Rd.) with Pastor Kyle DeYoung officiating. Burial will take place in Norton Cemetery. Memorial Contributions to Unity Reformed Church or Harbor Hospice will be appreciated. Share memories with the family online at www.sytsemafh.com.




Events

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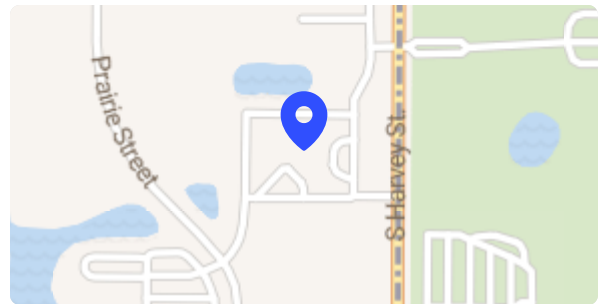
Visitation

 **Friday**, March 29, 2013

 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET

 **Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services - The Lee Chapel**

6291 Harvey St., Norton Shores MI 49444



Funeral Service

 **Saturday**, March 30, 2013

 11:00 AM ET

 **Unity Reformed Church**

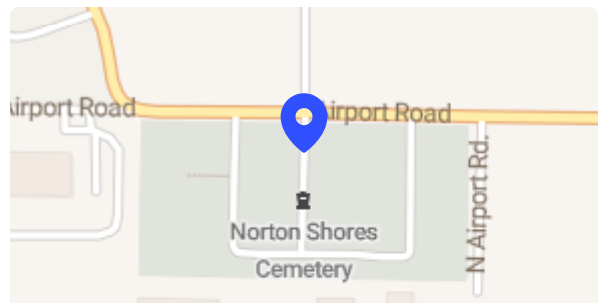
1521 Porter Road, Norton Shores MI 49441



Cemetery Details

 **Norton Cemetery**

743-761 Airport Rd., Norton Shores MI 49441





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Cathie Jeannot Balaskovitz posted:

October 28, 2013 To my Father in Heaven –It's been seven months now since you left us, and I feel the need to write this. I wish I would have had the strength and fortitude to speak at your funeral, but I didn't. If I had, this is what I would have said: "Everyone talks about what a good man you were; good husband, father, grandfather and good Christian. Now looking back, I think you were a great man. Being great doesn't, I don't think, come from wealth, power or arrogance. I know you are in Heaven now and I hope it is as great and wonderful as everyone thinks. When we lost you, we all lost a piece of ourselves. We all love you and miss you a lot, but are trying to get on with our lives without you. It's not easy, but life isn't always easy. "Good night sweet William. Love, Gaje ~ Gayle Townsend, Muskegon- See more at: <http://www.legacy.com/guestbooks/muskegon/guestbook.aspx?n=william-zimmer&pid=163894488#sthash.q7j0Ggpr.dpuf>

November 4 at 7:22 AM



Josh, Heather, & Michelle lit a candle in honor of William .



April 2 at 10:13 AM



Harbor Hospice posted:

We send our sincere sympathy to your family. We are here to support you in your time of loss – today and for as long as you need us. – The Staff of Harbor Hospice.

April 2 at 3:51 AM



Diane Rodgers shared an album called **New Album Name**.



April 1 at 9:45 PM



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Diane Rodgers lit a candle in honor of William .

I'm speechless! Today is April 1, and I just read that Bill passed away. Mom and I were just talking the other day about the nice weather coming and said to each other that we should head over to Ellis Road for a visit. We shouldn't have waited.

My life-long friends, you were such an important part of my life growing up on Ellis Road. It was a great childhood, filled with beautiful, hot summer days, clothes hanging on the clothesline, building forts in the backyard and running through the woods. Playing Red-Rover in your front yard and flashlight tag at night. And, eating tomatoes fresh from Mr. Zimmer's garden. They were the best; what was his secret? Bill, you have left this world too soon, but I have no doubt as to where you have gone. You have much to be proud of and you will be missed by many. Love and blessings to all my dear friends, Marilyn, Gayle, Cheryl, Mark, Bill Jr. and the rest of the extended family.



April 1 at 9:32 PM



Willy Zimmer April 2 at 6:31 AM

Thank you, Diane. Hope things are well in your world.



Julie Dratz posted:

I remember the Zimmer family quite well when they were members of Fifth Reformed Church. (many years ago when I was growing up) Always pleasant and just "nice people" to talk to. Please accept our condolences, Marilyn. Your family is in our prayers. Julie Bomers Dratz and Donna Bomers

March 28 at 5:23 AM



John Baxter posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Zimmer family as they gather to celebrate Williams life. I didn't ever get to met William but I will bet he was the same good man that his son Willy is!! Our condolences!! J.B.

March 28 at 2:53 AM



Cathie B. posted:

My memories of "Uncle" Bill are many and go back to 1970 when I became friends with a best friend still today. You will be missed and never forgotten by this person and many more. I love all of you, my 2nd family. Cathie B.

March 27 at 5:21 PM



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March 27 at 10:16 AM



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WZ **Willy Zimmer** April 2 at 6:30 AM
The Baby Whisperer at work.



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March 27 at 10:12 AM



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March 27 at 10:10 AM



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April 1 at 9:45 PM



10-9-2012 Just stopped for a visit. So glad I did. ~ Diane Rodgers



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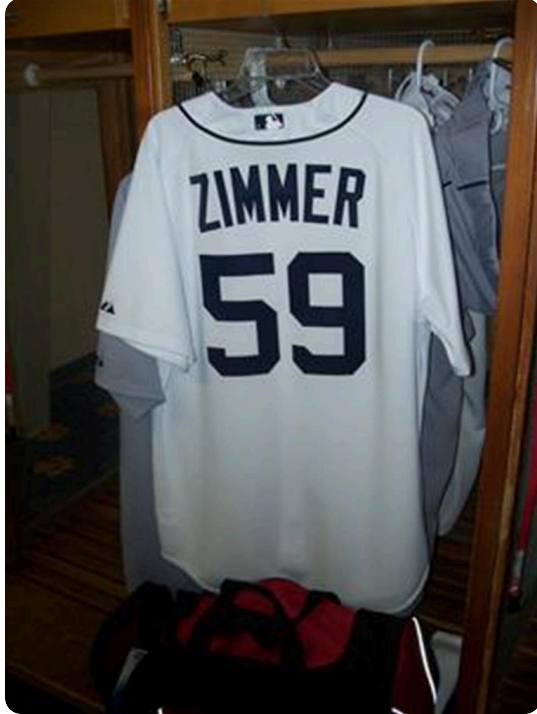
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No. 1 Tiger fan



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Dad, Penny, Mom, Elly



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Great grandchildren Penny and Reed



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Bill's family, 2006



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring William by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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