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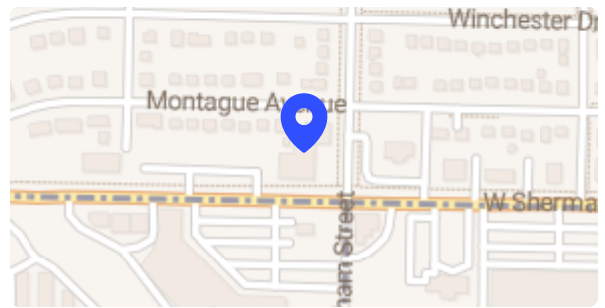
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Mr. Clarke Manning, age 84, passed away Wednesday, July 3, 2013 at the Poppen House. He was born on December 24, 1928 in New York, New York to Charles Tompkins & Mary Ethel (Clarke) Manning and resided in the area for the past 50 years. Clarke worked as a broadcaster for WKBZ radio for many years, before going back to school and receiving his teaching degree from Grand Valley State University. He taught at North Muskegon for over 15 years as an English and Speech teacher before retiring in 1989. Clarke then went on to become the organist at First Presbyterian Church for 18 years. He loved studying meteorology, enjoyed classical music, especially symphonic, organ and choral music. Clarke also belonged to the American Guild of Organists. On June 14, 1952, he married the former Jean Lillian Pumphrey, and she preceded him in death in 2000. Clarke was also preceded in death by a son, Kevin Clarke in 2009. SURVIVORS include his daughter Dortha (David) DeWit of Bettendorf, Iowa; and 2 granddaughters, Carla and Jill DeWit. The MEMORIAL SERVICE will be 3PM Sunday, July 21, 2013 at First Presbyterian Church (2577 Wickham Dr.). VISITATION with the family will be 1 hour prior to the service from 2-3PM. If you would like to send a memorial in Clarke's name, contributions to the Muskegon County Community Foundation Clarke Manning Scholarship Fund or Blue Lake Public Radio will be appreciated. Share memories with the family online at www.sytsemafh.com. Arrangements by The Walburn Chapel, Sytsema Funeral Homes, Inc. 1547 W. Sherman Blvd. 231-759-8565.






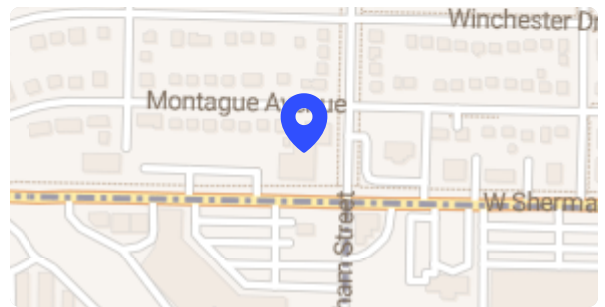
Visitation

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-  2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ET
-  **First Presbyterian Church**
2577 Wickham St., Muskegon MI 49441



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JB

Jan Bares posted:

Dortha,I am so sorry... I just learned of your father's passing! My mom, Vera, and Dad, Ed, and I were great admirers of both your mom and dad and their dedication and love for their students. I have many fond memories of our families doing things together, as young musicians and friends. I just lost my dad today...he would have turned 100 in 2 weeks! Please get in touch, Jan Bares White.

December 14 at 4:24 PM

HH

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.

July 10 at 8:13 AM

CL

Charlie Larnard posted:

So very sorry for your loss. I remember your Dad very well. He was my 10th grade English teacher. His hair was always slicked back and he would put the cap back on his thermos of coffee before we had to read Great Expectations by Charles Dickens out loud as a class.Charlie Larnard

July 7 at 2:04 PM

MW

Mj Webb lit a candle in honor of Clarke.

You have our condolences! Clarke has been a part of our family for 12 years through his friendship with my mom, Helen. He will be missed. Dortha you and your family were truly a blessing to your dad. He loved you so much. We know he was so thankful you were able to stay with him these last few weeks taking good care of him. It meant a lot to him! As said before, you were truly a blessing. Your rewards will great someday!Helen, Janie and Les



July 5 at 4:30 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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