



# David L. Tanis

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**D**avid L. Tanis, age 63, of Spring Lake passed away Monday, January 18, 2010 at Butterworth Hospital. He was born June 27, 1946, in Grand Haven to Adrian and Marion (Sullivan) Tanis, and he married the former Judy K. Henderson on May 1, 1971, in Grand Haven.

Dave was a graduate of Grand Haven High School and served his country in the Army during the Vietnam War. He worked at Screw Machine Specialties for 27 years as a machinist and retired from Lakeshore Automatic Products. Dave was an active member of Spring Lake Presbyterian Church, V.F.W. Post #2326 and Vietnam Veterans of America. Dave enjoyed watching MSU and Lions football games, fishing, reading, yard work and especially his grandchildren.

David is lovingly remembered by his wife, Judy; his daughter, Veronica (Alex) Turien of Spring Lake; a granddaughter, Abrielle; 3 adopted grandchildren in Haiti: Rood-Jerry, Corally and Jeff. Also his mother-in-law, Martha Anderson of Grand Haven; 3 brothers-in-law: Gary Henderson of Annapolis, Maryland, Alan Henderson of Tampa, FL, Brian (Misti) Henderson of Grand Haven; and several nieces and nephews. Dave was preceded in death by his parents and his brother Raymond.

The funeral service for Dave will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, January 30, 2010 from Spring Lake Presbyterian Church with Rev. Daniel Anderson officiating. Military Honors will be provided by the VFW Sgt. Alvin Jonker Post #2326. Friends may meet the family 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Friday, January 29th, at the VanZantwick Bartels Kammeraad Funeral Home in Grand Haven. Interment will be at Spring Lake Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made for the educational needs of his grandchildren. Share memories with the family at their online guest book at [www.vbkfuneralhome.com](http://www.vbkfuneralhome.com).






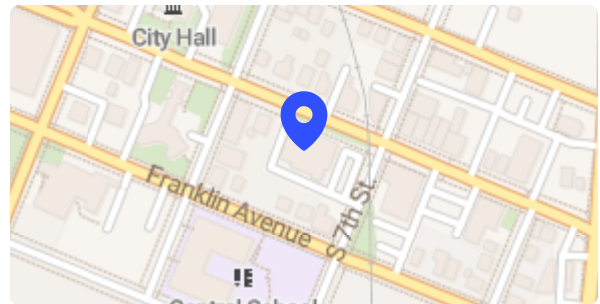
# Events

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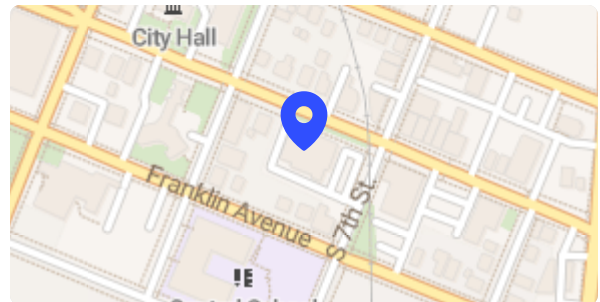
## Visitation

-  **Friday**, January 29, 2010
-  2:00 PM - 4:00 PM ET
-  **VBK Grand Haven Chapel**  
620 Washington Avenue, Grand Haven MI






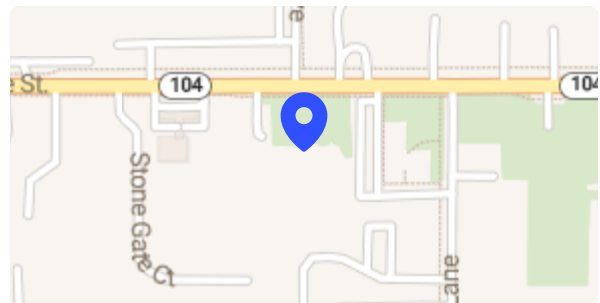
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-  **Friday**, January 29, 2010
-  7:00 PM - 9:00 PM ET
-  **VBK Grand Haven Chapel**  
620 Washington Avenue, Grand Haven MI



## Service

-  **Saturday**, January 30, 2010
-  11:00 AM ET
-  **Spring Lake Presbyterian Church**  
760 E.Savidge Street, Spring Lake MI





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**Anonymous** posted:

My sincere sympathy to all of you. I,m sorry that I learned just recently of his passing.Wintering in Fla. with no computer doesn,t cut it. The situation is corrected now of course.Dave and I shared the same classes in High School as well as working together (Ruiters) and some Army time (Basic + A.I.T.training.Dave always had the best attitude and always a smiling face.He was a pleasure to be around and had a sympathetic ear when needed.I guess we drifted apart during our adult life. Raising children and working apart. My fondous memories as a young man were times spent with my friend Dave.No doubt that Dave is at a better table now with our Father. Sorely missed, but never forgotten.##imported-begin##Pat Marshall##imported-end##

August 2 at 11:37 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

In our thoughts and prayers.. We are in Florida and I just got the news on my computer... thinking of you Judy...##imported-begin##pat and rich sibley##imported-end##

February 8 at 5:46 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Judy and family, Just a note to let you know that I am thinking and praying for you during the loss of David. You are a stong and wonderful person as was he and I'm praying for you. God Bless!Deb##imported-begin##Deb Smart-Tober##imported-end##

February 1 at 4:07 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers will be with you at this time and know that we always enjoyed seeing Dave out for breakfast or walking the dog past out house. He always had a smile for everyone. What a true blessing to know him and Dave worked with him for quite a few years also. It just seemed everyone benefited from knowing him. God Bless you all at this time.##imported-begin##David & Mary Lynne Lautenschlaeger##imported-end##

January 29 at 1:07 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Judy and Family: While it has been quite a while since I have seen Dave I thought of him often, I will always remember the good times with my kind gentle smiling friend, as we worked together at Screw Machine Spec. for 20 years. And the good friendship I had with both of you. God bless you and your family. John & Karen Nyquist##imported-begin##John Nyquist##imported-end##

January 28 at 5:39 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear Judy and family, I am so sorry. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Sincerely, Lois##imported-begin##Lois Gray##imported-end##

January 27 at 4:41 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Rest in Peace, Dave.##imported-begin##John Wozniak##imported-end##

January 25 at 10:15 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Judy, we are praying for you and your family. Dave was a great friend to work with at Screw Machine Specialties for 21 years. I know that the Lord will take care of you and your family. We will continue to keep you in our prayers during this hard time. Bob and Karen VanderZee##imported-begin##Robert VanderZee##imported-end##

January 25 at 8:06 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear Judy & Family, What a shock in reading the Sunday paper yesterday. I haven't seen you in awhile, but just wanted to tell you I have fond memories of taking Ray home from Kandu and picking Dave up from work. They were both kind, gentle souls I know will be missed, but together again. God Bless you and your loved ones. Carol A. Perry##imported-begin##Carol A. Perry##imported-end##

January 25 at 6:58 AM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Judy & family...Was so sorry to hear about Dave. It came as quite a shock to us. You have to know he is in a better place now. We went through the same thing with our son Tim. Our thoughts and prayers are with all your family at this difficult time...Jake & Karlene##imported-begin##Jake & Karlene Saum##imported-end##

January 24 at 8:21 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dave was a great family man and a wonderful. He will be missed by everyone who had the privilege of knowing him. Our heartfelt sympathy and prayers go out to his family.##imported-begin##Milt & Nina Bolles##imported-end##

January 23 at 3:02 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear Judy and Family,I am so sorry to hear about Dave. I wish I could be there for you, but I have some commitments the weekend of his funeral that I can't get out of. I love you and you all will be in my prayers.Linda##imported-begin##Linda Bowren##imported-end##

January 23 at 12:30 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

veronica and judy, sorry to hear of your loss. he always had a smile and pleasant to be around. just remember, he is with the angels and his parents and of course, droppy drows( his brother) raymond. i will keep you in my prayers and hugs to both of you.##imported-begin##melody pierce##imported-end##

January 23 at 4:29 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

As former neighbors of the Tanis family we will remember you in prayer in your time of sorrow.##imported-begin##Ed and Jo Klomp##imported-end##

January 23 at 2:17 AM



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**Anonymous** posted:

I was so glad to see Dave at the class reunion last summer. Always a great friend and will be missed. We had some fun times growing up.##imported-begin##Doug Ruster##imported-end##

January 22 at 5:29 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Judy and family, Dave was such a sweet, gentle guy. We'll always remember him from earlier years faithfully walking the dog in our neighborhood. May friendship comfort you and lift some of your sorrow. Our deep and heartfelt sympathy.##imported-begin##Carol and Ken Bordua##imported-end##

January 22 at 5:08 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Judy, Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this trying time. The Rohloffs##imported-begin##Michael Rohloff and Family##imported-end##

January 22 at 6:24 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Judy,Such sad news, but also exciting. David is headed to a wonderful place where it is better than anyone can ever imagine. While we grieve here on Earth, David is in the peaceful comfort of our Lord. This does not take away the hurt, but hopefully it will give you peace.May God hold you and the rest of the family in the palm of your hands.Rick##imported-begin##Pickles (Rick Yonker)##imported-end##

January 22 at 6:12 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear Judy and family:We were saddened to hear the passing of Dave. Be assured of our prayers and may God wrap His arms around you and your family during this time.You are in our thoughts.Love and Prayers,LeRoy and Joanne##imported-begin##LeRoy & Joanne Hodges##imported-end##

January 22 at 6:10 AM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Judy, So sorry to hear about the loss of your husband. You will be in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Glenn Bo##imported-end##

January 22 at 6:01 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Judy: I was so sorry to hear about Dave. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. He will be missed. God Bless You.##imported-begin##Lois Larabee##imported-end##

January 21 at 6:27 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

May the power of prayer give you strength to get through each day. My heart sunk to the floor when I was told of Dave's passing. Dave has brought sunshine to Heaven with his smile and humor. Anyone who lets their wife have 20 crazy HT employees in their home to have a good time at Christmas is a good guy, and he will be missed. Heather, Bill, and Allison Kasmauski##imported-begin##Heather Kasmauski##imported-end##

January 21 at 1:39 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear Judy, Veronica, and Family, I am so sorry to hear of your and our classes loss of Dave. He will be missed by more than just your family. I smile when I think of his smile and that grin. Know that you are in my thoughts and prayers at this time of loss. Unfortunately, I will be out of the country for his visitation and service. Otherwise I would be there to give you a hug. My deepest sympathy to you all. Warmly, Bari##imported-begin##Bari Johnson##imported-end##

January 21 at 8:11 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dave is enjoying the Fruits of Heaven. We will miss Dave. Love, Julie and Dan##imported-begin##Julie B and Dan Parras##imported-end##

January 21 at 5:01 AM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Veronica, Judy and Alex My heart felt prayers for you in this difficult time.##imported-begin##Dena Naylor (Suszka)##imported-end##

January 20 at 4:46 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

We are sure going to miss that smiling face, gentle personality, and kindness but we know that we will see him again when we get to heaven. God came and got one of his best.##imported-begin##Phil & Sandie & Kris##imported-end##

January 20 at 4:25 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

While it has been a very long time since we were in High School, I have always had the best of memories of David. Please accept my heartfelt sympathy; once again it is a man gone too soon.##imported-begin##Robert VanderZalm##imported-end##

January 20 at 10:56 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

Judy, Veronica, Alex ~ and precious little love ~ How blessed to have had Dave in your lives. You know, whenever he has come to mind, I can never picture him without a smile - or laughing - enjoying... no, don't know that I ever saw or noticed him any other way. May the Holy Spirit wrap around each of you with that comfort that only He can give. Blessings, my dear ones ~ Rachael##imported-begin##Rachael Harper##imported-end##

January 20 at 10:05 AM



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**Anonymous** posted:

I am so sorry for your loss!!! Dave was a wonderful man and will be remebered forever in our hearts!!! Judy you were truly the light that shown on his life and I am forever grateful to have you in my life!! Veronic and Alex and Abrielle you are all in my prayers your loss is great and sympathy doesn't seem to ever be enough when you suffer such a great loss!! All I can give you is the knowledge that your Dad is now in GREAT company not only is he with God he is with my Mom!!! And she will deffinatly make a great guide!!! As in life his memory will live on and he is now in a wonderous place waiting till we all meet again!!! My Grandma always said your body is just a vehicle to get you by till you make it to your forever home!! And Dave is now at his forever home a destination we live our life to get to!!! All my Love and prayers to the entire family!!! I LOVE YOU ALL!!!Darcy##imported-begin##Darcy Snippe##imported-end##

January 20 at 8:35 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

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