



# Caralee Nietering

JUN 6, 1939 - MAR 24, 2022



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**M**rs. Caralee Nietering, age 82, of Grand Haven passed away Thursday, March 24, 2022, at home. She was born June 6, 1939, in Muskegon to Merlin and Glenna (Stenger) Wright. On November 25, 1959, she married Robert L. Nietering.

Caralee spent a lifetime in education retiring in 1994 after 35 years of caring for children. After retirement she spent 20 years on the Grand Haven Public School Board. She was a voracious reader, enjoyed Irish music and traveling. She was also a proud mother, grandmother, and friend to many. She will be missed.

She is survived by her husband of 62 years, Robert; four children: Kristine Nietering, Robert T. (Lynda) Nietering, Dennis (Sherri) Nietering, Timothy (LuAnne) Nietering; six grandchildren: Seth (Lindsey) Nietering, Kaila Nietering, Robert J. Nietering, Timothy Nietering, Reilly Nietering, and Stephen (Virginia) Nietering; three great-grandchildren: Clairice, Robert V., and Jacob. Sister, Harriet Voorheis; half siblings: Cathy, Cherri, Anita, and Wade Wright and their families. She was preceded in death by her parents, Merlin Wright and Glenna Blundell; sisters, Joyce Robbins, Mary Alice Wright and half-sister, Patricia Becklin.

Funeral Service will be 11:00 AM Tuesday, March 29, 2022, at The VanZantwick Chapel of Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services, 620 Washington Ave, Grand Haven, MI 49417. Visitation will be held 6-8 PM Monday, March 28, 2022, at the funeral home. Interment will take place in Lakeshore Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, Memorial contributions in memory of Caralee may be given to the [Alzheimer's Association](#) or [Hospice of North Ottawa Community](#). Please sign the family's online guestbook at <http://www.sytsemafz.com>.

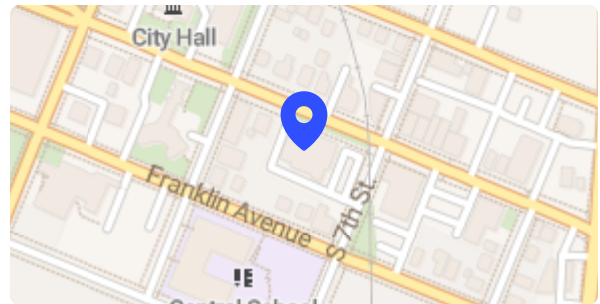


# Events

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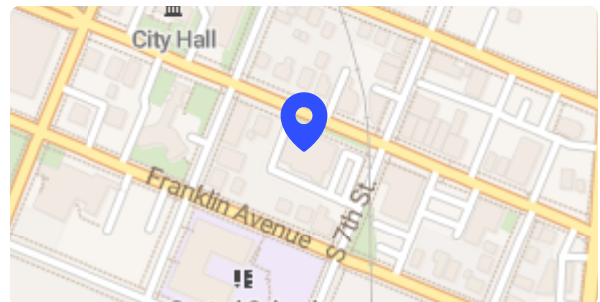
## Visitation

- Monday**, March 28, 2022
- 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET
- The VanZantwick Chapel of Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services**  
620 Washington Avenue, Grand Haven MI 49417



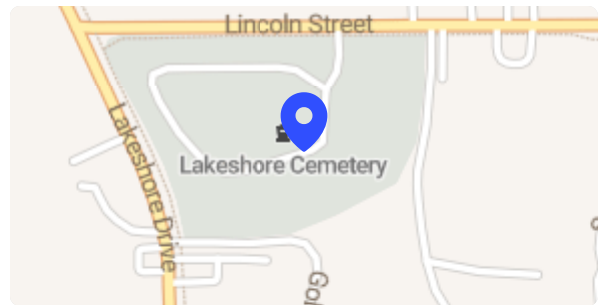
## Funeral

- Tuesday**, March 29, 2022
- 11:00 AM ET
- The VanZantwick Chapel of Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services**  
620 Washington Avenue, Grand Haven MI 49417



## Cemetery Details

- Lakeshore Cemetery - Grand Haven Township**  
17200 Lincoln St., Grand Haven MI 49417





## Tribute Wall

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DN

**Don Neidlinger** posted:

My condolences to Bob and the Nietering Family. I served with Caralee for a number of years on the Grand haven School Board and her focus was always on what was best for kids; she always had a smile on her face. My prayers are for her and her family.Sincerely,Don Neidlinger

March 29 at 6:51 AM

PR

**Patricia Ralya** posted:

I was very sad to hear of the passing of Caralee. My condolences and prayers are extended to the entire Nietering family on the loss of a wonderful wife, mother and grandmother. Caralee had a joyful and loving spirit, and it was my pleasure to know her, albeit only briefly.

March 28 at 7:15 PM

DM

**Dave And Danielle Muskovin** sent an Enduring Grace to the Nietering family.



March 28 at 3:09 AM

MR

**Maryann Reagan** posted:

Caralee was a lovely soul and wonderful lady. Truly a special gift to everyone who knew and met her. "And until we meet again may God hold you in the palm of His hand."Bob, Kris and family; please know, you are In our thoughts and prayers in a very special way. God bless. The O'Reagan's Terry & MaryAnn

March 27 at 12:18 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Nietering family.



March 26 at 9:41 PM



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TN

**Tim Nietering** posted:

My mom was a beautiful woman who always welcomed everyone into her house and had an infectious smile. Also she always had a song on her lips.

March 26 at 4:48 PM

SP

**Sara Packer** posted:

Mrs. Nietering was my 2nd grade teacher...she was such a kind and loving woman...RIP to a wonderful woman!!!!!! Sending thoughts and prayers to her family...

March 26 at 7:19 AM

JA

**Joann Anthes** posted:

My condolences to the Nietering family, Carolee was a wonderful mentor to me at Jeffers and a wealth of information regarding union issues. She always wanted what was best for the students of Spring Lake and the teachers. Will remember her fondly! JoAnn Anthes

March 25 at 12:58 PM

CW

**Cherri Wright** lit a candle in honor of Caralee.

What a lovely lady inside and out. RIP sis until we meet again.

March 25 at 8:50 AM



TD

**Tina Dee** posted:

Kristine, I'm so sorry for your loss. Your mom was always so nice when I was at your house. I appreciate all she did to support children and public education. - Tina Dee (Jones)

March 25 at 8:07 AM

MB

**Marcia & Tim Bottje** lit a candle in honor of Caralee.

March 25 at 7:46 AM





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**John Angell** posted:

To the Nietering family, Those we love don't go away; they walk beside us in our hearts and memories. Please accept our heartfelt condolences. John Angell & Tracie Burch

March 25 at 5:57 AM



**Sherri Nietering** March 25 at 8:53 AM

Thank you Jon and Tracie



**John Angell** lit a candle in honor of Caralee.

Dear Dennis and Sherri, John and I are so sorry to learn of the loss of your mother. Tracie and John Angell.

March 25 at 5:02 AM



**Dean A. Nash** lit a candle in honor of Caralee.

My sympathy to the Nietering family.

March 25 at 3:11 AM



**Bonnie Walker** posted:

To Bob and family, Sending my sympathies to all of you. May God give you comfort and peace through this difficult time. I know she will be remembered as a wonderful wife, mother and grandmother and teacher. Love, Bonnie Nietering Walker Mesa AZ

March 24 at 6:05 PM



**Doug Simpkins** posted:

From disciplining me during kindergarten nap time to listening to music at the pub; A life long friend and influence. To say she will be missed is an understatement.

March 24 at 5:51 PM



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**Sherri Nietering** lit a candle in honor of Caralee.

I will miss her dearly. She has taught me so much. I will remember the love she freely gave. Our lives will not be the same without her. I love you momma.

March 24 at 5:06 PM



**Regina Vazquez** posted:

Caralee was great friend and mentor to me all the years of my teaching and I I will truly miss her smile and laughter!!! God will watch over her in heaven!!! Regina Vazquez

March 24 at 5:05 PM



**Kelley Dendel** posted:

Kris and the Nietering family, so sorry for your loss. I have such fond memories of having lunch with Kris and your mom when Kris and I worked together. She was a ball of energy, a great conversationalist and made us laugh. I know she will be greatly missed.

March 24 at 5:01 PM



**Steve And Barb Huisman** posted:

Dennis and Sherri, sending love and prayers to you both along with your family. Steve and Barb Huisman

March 24 at 3:56 PM

**SN** **Sherri Nietering** March 24 at 5:02 PM  
Thank you Steve and Barb..Sherri



**Melissa K George** posted:

Fond memories of a great teacher while at Jeffers Elementary in Spring Lake. Rest in Peace!

March 24 at 2:36 PM



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**Anonymous** sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Nietering family.



March 24 at 1:35 PM



**John Siemion** posted:

Bob and family, I am so sorry for your loss. Caralee was a great mentor to me when I was first elected to the Grand Haven School Board. She taught me so much. I can still remember when we would go to school board conferences and the great times we had. She was awesome!

March 24 at 12:40 PM



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

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



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