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David Cline Stocking, age 64, of Spring Lake passed away Sunday, April 3, 2022, after a long battle with Multiple System Atrophy (MSA). He was born in January, 1958, in Ludington, Michigan to Ronald and Belva (Gronemeyer) Stocking. Dave married Lori Zellers in May, 2010.

David graduated from Ludington High School. He earned his Bachelor's degree from Aquinas College. He owned Stokes and Stocking Investment Advisors until selling the business in 2005.

David thoroughly enjoyed serving his community as a member of Spring Lake Rotary as past president and was a Paul Harris Fellow. He also loved biking, kayaking, boating, traveling, sailing, and fishing in Florida.

Dave enjoyed a long and successful career in financial services that began in 1983. The same characteristics that Dave held dear in his personal life were exhibited in his professional life: dedication to excellence, hard work, honesty, integrity, patience, and a sense of humor. Dave enjoyed working with people and helping them learn about managing their money and meeting their investment goals. He was a pioneer in West Michigan to offer fee-only investment services, a business model he believed was in the best interest of his clients. Dave treated everyone like family, and the care, concern, and respect he had for his clients also extended to his co-workers and peers.

David's love for his family was evident to all. He found his greatest joy in being a Buppa, father and husband. He was always up for telling jokes, playing games, and spending time together with his family. He loved telling the stories of all the times they had together.

He is lovingly remembered by his wife, Lori Zellers; stepchildren, Sarah (Luke) Bossenbroek and Christopher Zellers; three grandchildren: Jessica, Emma and Joshua; sister, Sue (Andy) Eilers; brother, Daron Stocking; niece, Tara (Curtis) Davy; two nephews, AJ (Emily) Eilers and Kyle Eilers;



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and many good friends and associates. He was preceded in death by his parents, Ron and Belva, and his niece, Kelly Eilers.

A celebration of life service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, May 21, 2022, at Spring Lake Presbyterian Church with Rev. Dan Anderson officiating. Friends may meet the family on May 20, 2022 from 7-9 p.m. at The Spring Lake Chapel or one hour prior to the service at church. Memorials to [Spring Lake Rotary](#) or [Defeat MSA Alliance](#) are appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to The Spring Lake Chapel of Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services, 213 E. Savidge St., Spring Lake, MI 49456. Share memories with the family at their online guest book at <http://www.sytsemafh.com>.



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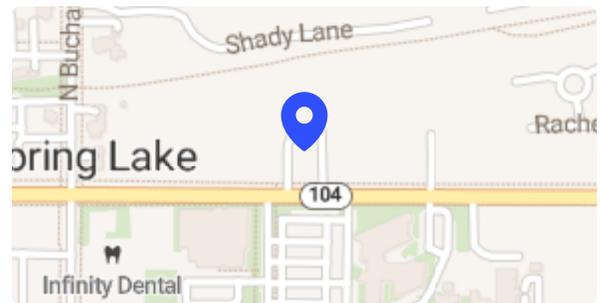
Visitation

 **Friday, May 20, 2022**

 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM ET

 **Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services - The Spring Lake Chapel**

213 East Savidge, Spring Lake MI 49456



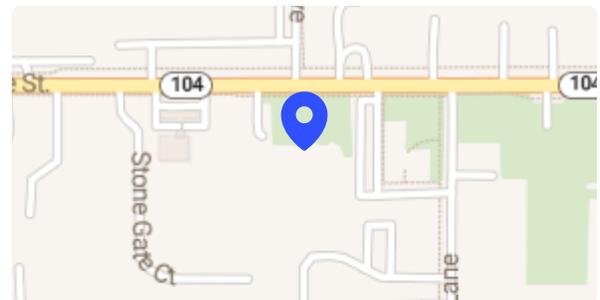
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 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET

 **Spring Lake Presbyterian Church**

760 East Savidge Street, Spring Lake MI 49456



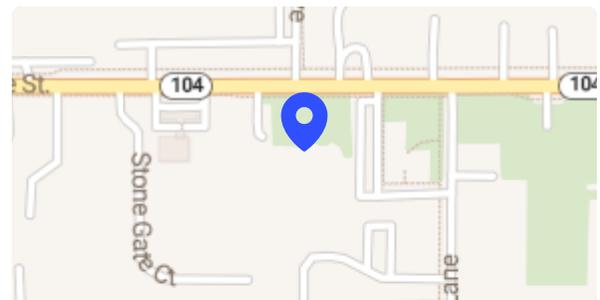
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IG

Ineke Gallup posted:

We were lucky enough to reconnect with Dave after bumping into him at Stanz in Grand Haven. It was there that we first met Lori- clearly the love of his life!!! We were SO happy for them that they found each other. Dave had this gift of making us feel like we were special - he made room in his life and heart for us. We miss himand selfishly, all the good times that we're yet to come. The laughter was so much fun!!!Hugs to you Lori

April 20 at 10:28 AM

DS

Dave Schweitzer posted:

Dave and I started in the financial services business together back in the mid-80s. We managed to keep in touch all through geographic and career moves. Dave had a great sense of humor, gushed about Lori, and savored life. A true friend indeed. I will miss him!

April 18 at 10:46 AM

PD

Pam Dazey lit a candle in honor of David.

Dave Stocking was a kind and generous man. His laugh was infectious and his positivity was contagious. We had many enjoyable hours collaborating on projects but our greatest joy together was always sharing a great meal of sushi. My deepest sympathies to Lori and all who knew and loved Dave. My life was better for having him as a friend and I will miss him dearly.



April 17 at 1:53 PM

TN

Tamarah Nuttle posted:

Oh David, Such great memories of endless summers at the Boat Club with our folks, celebrating birthdays, traveling to ports of call, and flicking CheezWhiz off the lifeguard towers for the seagulls to catch. Such a lovely, caring person. You've left the world a kinder place. Blessings and comfort to your family, Tamarah

April 16 at 8:19 AM



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PK

Paul Kraus posted:

Lori and family:I had the pleasure of meeting Dave at several Ottawa County Bar Association events that Lori attended. We always had great conversations. I'm sorry to hear the news of his passing and know that many are thinking of the family at this time. May the memories with him and all the wonderful things he did through Rotary for our community be a comfort at this time.With Sympathy,Paul Kraus

April 14 at 8:35 AM

GJ

Gina Jarvid posted:

Dave fondly retold the story of how he met Lori. Lori and I went out on the town in Muskegon. Our first stop was to Dockers for dinner. I had noticed these two guys kept looking at us. Our appetizer had just arrived and it was huge!! They were leaving and I asked them if they would like to sit down and help us eat it. That was all it took...and we shared the evening stopping at My Bar for music and another one that was on Sherman - popular for their bands. We finished the night on my deck talking and laughing. That night started a wonderful loving relationship. He fondly declared if Gina did not ask us, he was too shy to say anything... He was a very caring man and had a heart of gold. I will miss our occasional dinners, us 3. He will be fondly missed... ❤️

April 14 at 7:50 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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