



## Andrew Sytsma

July 16, 1930 - July 13, 2011

Andrew Sytsma age 80, of DeMotte, IN passed away peacefully on Wednesday July 13, 2011 at Oak Grove Christian Retirement Village, DeMotte, IN. He was born on July 16, 1930 in DeMotte, IN to David and Ida (DeYoung) Sytsma, both deceased. Andy attended DeMotte Public Schools and he served with the US Army Medical Corp serving in the Korean War. On February 26, 1954 he married Jacoba J. "Coby" Hoogeveen, who passed away April 3, 2009. He was a heavy equipment operator with VanKeppel Construction for 50 yrs. Andy enjoyed hunting, fishing, bowling, Trap Shooting and spending time with his family. He was a member of First Christian Reformed Church. Andy is survived by his sons; Steve (Joyce) Sytsma, Jenison, MI; Richard and Michael Sytsma, both of DeMotte, IN; Brian (Mary) Sytsma, Crown Point, IN and Daniel (Kathryn) Sytsma, Wheatfield, IN. 11 Grandchildren; Sister, Alice (Harold) Eeningberg, Munster, IN. Preceded in death by his parents, wife, son Scott, 1 brother, 3 sisters and a grandson

# Previous Events

## Service

JUL 18. 10:30 AM (CT)

First Christian Reformed Church  
1633 South Halleck Street  
DeMotte, IN

# Tribute Wall



“ Jackson Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of Andrew Sytsma



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**Jackson Funeral Chapels** - July 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ For 2 year attending Valpo Uiniversity we visited Andy and Colby, Steve and Rick were his only children then. On a hot summer evening were went for a drive and past Andy's home. As I looked in my rear view mirror I saw Andy in the middle of the street waving yelling and pounding the ground (dirt street). I turned around an Andy came to my window and said. "Now I saw you drive by and completely miss my driveway. Now you better not do that again." That is good ole Hoosier talk for come in and have a cup of coffee.

Someone tell the story after Korea about Andy meeting the Sr Van Kepple who wanted Andy to get with his son for a job right away. So Andy got to work much before he actually wanted to work. It was a long lasting relationship.##imported-begin##Domn and Marilyn Bouma##imported-end##

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July 22, 2011 at 04:53 AM



“ sorry to here the passing of andy. he and colby were always great customers and great people. thoughts and prayers to the family. sorry so late i was out of town.##imported-begin##judy emerick##imported-end##

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July 21, 2011 at 10:03 AM



“ dad was was just a simple man from a small town with a bubbling amount of charisma!!!!!!!!!!!!!!lost him way to soon!!wow cant believe he's gone,gonna miss his house as an eternal stopping point!!!!!!!!!!memories,to many##imported-begin##rick sytsma##imported-end##

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July 18, 2011 at 12:45 AM



“ I have alot of great memories of Andy, But most of all I will miss the visits he made @ my shop to chat. Going to miss him.##imported-begin##Keith Drinski##imported-end##

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July 17, 2011 at 12:05 PM



“ My ex-husband Tom Kampen works for VanKeppel redi-mix. I will always have fond memories of the Christmas parties and outings we all enjoyed. Andy always had a smile on his face and we would share in great conversation. Somewhere he is sitting near water catching the largest fish ever!! God Bless you Andy...##imported-begin##Wendy (Kampen) Darzinikas##imported-end##

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July 15, 2011 at 12:07 PM



“ Was sorry to hear of your Dads passing. Thoughts and prayers for your family##imported-begin##Bobbie Hunter##imported-end##

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July 15, 2011 at 12:51 AM



“ Gonna miss my buddy!!! XOXOXOXO##imported-begin##Irene Conley##imported-end##

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July 14, 2011 at 11:38 PM



“ We are so very sorry to hear of Andy's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.##imported-begin##Mike and Mary Molenaar##imported-end##

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July 14, 2011 at 12:40 PM