

Gysbertus "Bert" Boon

March 19, 1924 - June 22, 2009

Gysbertus "Bert" A. Boon age 85, of DeMotte, IN passed away on Monday June 22, 2009 at Oak Grove Christian Retirement Village. He was born on March 19, 1924 in the Hague, Netherlands to Jon & Dirkje (Van Soost) Boon, both deceased.

Bert attended Christian schools in Holland where he studied art and became an accomplished artist. In 1950, he moved from the Netherlands to DeMotte and graduated from Valparaiso University with a Psychology major. After 34 years of employment as a plant layout engineer, he retired from the Budd Company. Bert had a gift of teaching young people and served as a substitute teacher at KV School Corp. He also became active in scouting and was a past Cub Scout Master and was very active in the local Boy Scout troop. He, himself, was an Eagle Scout and received the Silver Beaver Award for his 60 years of service in Scouting. He enjoyed working with his HO scale miniature trains, being a ham radio operator and was active in his church where he served on many committees and as a Sunday school teacher. He was a true Patriot and was a member of the Wheatfield Masonic Lodge #642, F&AM and the Rensselaer York Rite and the American Reformed Church.

His first marriage was to Marie Intveld who died in 1972. Then, on June 19, 1976 in Pendleton, Indiana, he married Wilma F. (Fulkerson) Wills who survives.

Bert is survived by: Wilma F. Boon, his loving wife:

Rev. Eric Boon, Osh Kosh, WI, son; John (Karyn) Boon, DeMotte, IN, son;
Mark (Betty) Boon, DeMotte, IN son; Lyndon (Lisa) Wills, Anderson, IN, son;
Jeffrey (Camille) Wills, Great Falls, MT, son; Amber (Dan) Kilburn, Elkhart, IN
daughter; Stephen (Karen) Wills, Elkhart, IN son; Johanna (Arie) Eekhof,
Netherlands, sister; 18 Grandchildren & 9 Great-Grandchildren.
Preceded in death by his parents and 3 sisters.

Previous Events

Service

JUN 27. 10:30 AM (CT)

American Reformed Church
1021 S. Halleck St.
DeMotte, IN

Tribute Wall



“ Jackson Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of Gysbertus "Bert" Boon



Jackson Funeral Chapels - June 22, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ dear Wilma sorry for my late respons on the death of Bert. I just heard that he past a way, I wish you all de best and all the love in dis difecold time I will never forget you. love Diny and mij father Jan Richard Jolanda Selina Adam and Benny.##imported-begin##diny simmers##imported-end##

July 17, 2009 at 03:28 PM



“ Lieve Wilma kinderen en kleinkinderen.
Heel veel sterkte met het verlies van jullie dierbare man vader opa en overgrootvader in onze gedachten zijn wij bij jullie.

Fam.jw Lorie Den Haag .Nederland##imported-begin##Jan paulien maurits lisette en jantje lorié##imported-end##

July 17, 2009 at 02:06 PM



“ Dear Wilma we wish you a lot of stranght. We hope that it is possible that we came next year to visit you.##imported-begin##Astrid Lorié##imported-end##

July 17, 2009 at 01:03 PM



“ Lieve Wilma,

Jopie en ik waren uit het veld geslagen toen we hoorden dat Bert, onze broer was heengegaan. Een harde werker vol liefde voor zijn gezin en vrouw, een eerlijk mens. Ik dank God dat hij en jij in ons leven zijn gekomen en dit is voor eeuwig.

Jopie is nu de enige Boon voor de familie in Holland, maar Wilma vergeet niet dat je n Holland een broer en een zus hebt die jou en de kinderen voor altijd in het hart bewaren. Elke dag denken we samen wat we samen hebben mogen doorbrengen. Ook de avonden dat Bert en jij en wij hele fijne gesprekken hebben gevoerd, daardoor is onze liefde voor bert en jou voor altijd. oo zijn we dankbaar dat we de kinderen hebben leren kennen, een fijn koppel. Onze kinderen spreken altijd met heel veel respect en liefde over hun familie in de States.

Wilma veel sterkte in de moeilijke tijd.

Je broer Arie en je zus Jopie.##imported-begin##Arie Eekhof##imported-end##

July 08, 2009 at 04:17 AM



“ Sorry to hear of Berts passing.

We had some great times in Scouts years ago.

Thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Brian Hershey##imported-end##

July 01, 2009 at 06:40 PM



“ I will remember you always.

It was great to meet you. My daughter and son will remember you as a third grandfather.

In my thoughts I will be with the family. I hope I will see you all again.

Love Petra##imported-begin##Petra Eekhof-Schouten##imported-end##

June 30, 2009 at 01:47 PM

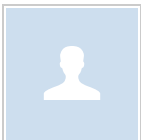


“ Uncle Bert,

I will miss you saying, he joantje, he kleintje.... Rest in peace, you will always be in my hart. Love you

JOan##imported-begin##joan eekhof##imported-end##

June 30, 2009 at 05:50 AM



“ Ome Bep rust zacht.##imported-begin##Edwin Eekhof##imported-end##

June 30, 2009 at 01:29 AM