



## Joe Charles Roorda

June 18, 1928 - March 3, 2017

Joe C. Roorda, age 88, of DeMotte, passed away Friday, March 3, 2017 at the Franciscan Health Ctr in Crown Point, IN. Joe Charles Roorda was born in DeMotte, IN to Frank and Agnes Roorda on June 18, 1928. As a youth, Joe worked for Fred B. Moolenaar in truck farming until he entered the service at 19 years old. He served in the Army for two years during the Korean War, during these years he married Jeanette Meyer. Joe became a brick layer and worked for Custodis Construction Company, building smoke stacks all over the country. During his retirement years, he worked for the Indiana State Highway Department, Siphkema Farms for many years, and he and his grandson Matthew owned a small seal coating business employing, at times, all the other grandsons. All who knew Joe knew he loved his family, but also loved working. Joe was a member of American Reformed Church for over 68 years. He loved fishing, hunting, and traveling to Florida. Joe will be sadly missed by his wife of 65 years, Jeanette, and his loving children, Daughter, Jenny (Don) Tillema, sons Joe Frank Roorda and John Clarence (Kathy) Roorda. Grandchildren Eric, Neil, David, and Jeni Rae Tillema; Matthew and Joey Roorda; Adam Roorda, Courtney Roorda Vogel, and Christy Roorda Nelms. Great grandchildren Ethan and Tyler Tillema; Kody, Noah, and Elena Tillema; Logan Tillema, and Collins and Cannon Vogel. Joe has one dear brother, George Roorda.

His parents and his grandson Joey Roorda preceded him in death.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Reformed Church

Funeral Luncheon Committee.

# Cemetery Details

## Holland Cemetery

Holland Cemetery  
DeMotte, IN 46310

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 6. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Service of DeMotte  
200 3rd Street, SW  
P.O. Box 681  
DeMotte, IN 46310  
(219) 987-5300  
info@jacksonfuneral.com  
<https://www.jacksonfuneral.com>

## Service

MAR 7. 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 Joe Charles Roorda



Jackson Funeral Chapels - March 06, 2017 at 09:21 AM

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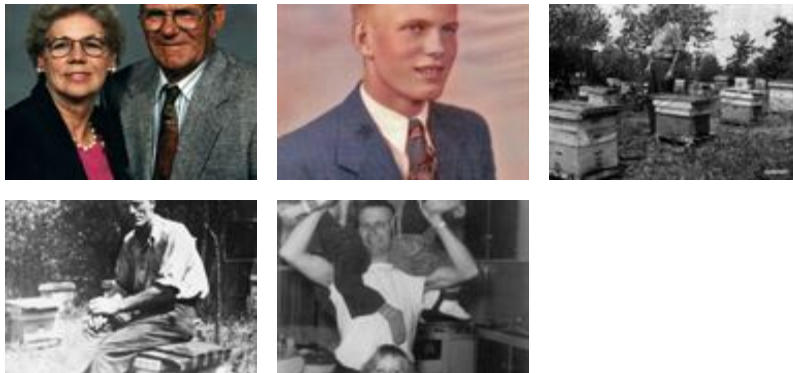
“ John enjoyed working along side Joe on many jobs, lots of stories, lots of BS and just a lot of fun. Prayers of comfort for you Jeanette and the rest of the family.  
John and Karen Sytsma



Karen Sytsma - March 06, 2017 at 07:18 PM



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Jackson Funeral Chapels - March 06, 2017 at 01:24 PM

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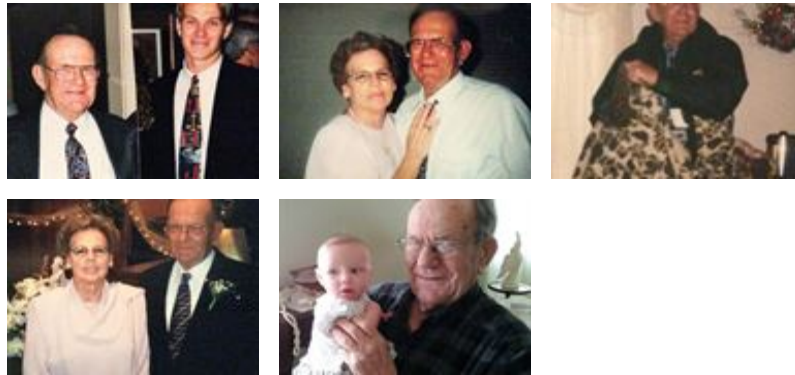
“ Jim & Jen Nelms and Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Joe Charles Roorda.



Jim & Jen Nelms and Family - March 06, 2017 at 11:53 AM



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Jackson Funeral Chapels - March 06, 2017 at 09:02 AM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Joe Charles Roorda.



March 05, 2017 at 08:06 PM

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“ fished with him many times,he was a hoot to sit in a boat with,great stories and conversation,rick sytsma

rick sytsma - March 05, 2017 at 03:19 PM

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“ *Our hearts and prayers go out to you,  
Jeanette, and the family. Joe always thought  
so highly of his family.  
So sorry for your loss.  
Kenny & Sandra Culp*



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**Sandra Culp** - March 05, 2017 at 02:21 PM