



## John Richard Broertjes

August 10, 1938 - September 25, 2022

John R Broertjes, age 84, went to be with his Lord and Savior September 25, 2022. He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Ruth (Huizenga); children: Dave & Carollyn Broertjes, Dan Broertjes, Mary & Brian Dekker, and Rachel Broertjes; grandchildren: Jonathan, Kevin (Lindsey), Brian (Molly), Joshua (Kelli), Britainie (Scott) and Nick; great-grandchildren: Leighton, Allison, Karley, Mason, Emery, Wyatt, Christopher, Adley, Riley, & Hudson.

John was a service manager for Townsend/Paul Sur Pontiac for 39 years. His passions were family, hunting and fishing. After he retired, he worked part-time for A & M Farm Center. John also volunteered many years for Bibles for Mission Thrift Center, Highland, IN, and Kal Bro Farms, DeMotte & Lowell. John was a charter member of Bethel Christian Reformed Church. He suffered from dementia the last few years of his life.

John grew up in South Holland, Illinois. He was born on August 10, 1938, the son of Fred and Jennie (Vanderbilt) Broertjes, both deceased. He is also survived by his brother, Will Broertjes; sister, Eloise Vander Vliet; many nieces and nephews.

Preceded in death by his brother-in-law, Harry Vander Vliet; sister, Dorothy & Ken Eriks; brother, Ron & Sharon; Harold; and sister-in-law, Dorothy.

Family and friends are invited to visit with the family on Friday, September 30, 2022 at Bethel Christian Reformed Church from 9:00 until 11:30 AM. A funeral service will promptly follow at Bethel Christian Reformed at 11:30 AM with Pastor Rick Vanderwal officiating. A private burial will be held on Saturday.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Bible League.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **30**. 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Bethel Christian Reformed Church  
521 S. Halleck St.  
DeMotte, IN 46310  
(219) 987-2005  
bethelcrc@netnitco.net  
<http://www.bethelcrcdemotte.org/>

## Funeral Service

SEP **30**. 11:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Jackson Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of John Richard Broertjes



Jackson Funeral Chapels - September 28, 2022 at 02:02 PM

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“ When I was 16 I went to work for my dad at his dealership (Paul Sur Pontiac ) and he put me under the supervision of Mr Broertjes. I thought at first Mr Broertjes didn't like me. But as I grew up through the years working with him I began to realize he was teaching me work ethic and dedication. Much like my own father did. I learned a lot working for and with John and admired him quite a lot. He was fair , honorable and admirable. I still pull from lessons he taught me to this day. Thank you for your best every day! Rest In Peace John we will miss you !  
Mike Sur

Mike Sur - September 29, 2022 at 10:06 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John Richard Broertjes.



September 29, 2022 at 09:58 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of John Richard Broertjes.*



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September 28, 2022 at 05:03 PM



“ *80 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Jackson Funeral Chapels** - September 28, 2022 at 01:46 PM



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September 28, 2022 at 08:00 AM

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“ *My thoughts and prayers are with your family as you mourn the passing of John. He was always such a kind and gentle man. May our Lord fill your family with His peace and comfort.*

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**Betty Frieling** - September 26, 2022 at 09:10 PM