



## Philip D. Hoekstra

September 15, 1923 - February 3, 2024

Philip D. Hoekstra, age 100, of Kankakee passed away on Saturday, February 3, 2024 at the Illinois Veterans Home at Manteno. Philip was born September 15, 1923 in Wichert, the son of John & Delila (Derais) Hoekstra.

He graduated from St. Anne High School and served in the United States Navy in the Pacific Theater during World War II. He married Phyllis Barriball on June 8, 1949 at the Martinton Church of Christ. They were married for forty-four years. Together they had three children, Jackie (Doyle) Owens, Richard (Sharon) Hoekstra, and Kim (Danny) DeYoung. Phyllis preceded him in death on September 21, 1993. Philip married Dorothy Romein on February 15, 1997.

Philip was a lifelong farmer in Wichert and a member of the First Reformed Church of Wichert. He participated in an Honor Flight for World War II Veterans. He loved farming and enjoyed raising garden vegetables which he would distribute to friends and neighbors. Philip also enjoyed reading, especially books pertaining to World War II in the Pacific and the pilots who carried out various missions during the war.

Surviving are two daughters, Jackie (Doyle) Owens and Kim (Danny) DeYoung; one daughter-in-law, Sharon Hoekstra; eight grandchildren; twelve great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild. Philip is preceded in death by his parents; wife, Phyllis; one son, Richard Hoekstra; one grandchild, Andrea; five brothers, Pete Hoekstra, Simon Hoekstra, William Hoekstra, Tunis Hoekstra, and John Hoekstra; and four sisters, Dorothy Phillips, Sadie

Lumkes, Rosalyn DeBoer, and Kathryn Elizinga.

Visitation will be held from 9 a.m. until the time of the 11 a.m. funeral service on Saturday, February 10, 2024 at First Reformed Church of Wichert. Rev. Don MacDonald will officiate. Burial will follow at Oakwood Cemetery in Wichert.

Memorials may be made to St. Anne High School Agricultural Department. Arrangements by Clancy-Gernon-Houk Funeral Home in St. Anne.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Cemetery

9254-9282 East 4000 South Road  
St. Anne, IL 60964

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 10. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Reformed Church of Wichert  
St. Anne, IL

## Funeral Service

FEB 10. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Reformed Church of Wichert  
St. Anne, IL

# Tribute Wall

LB

“ Philip was a good friend of Clarence and me. We always looked forward to our get togethers. He will truly be missed.

*Deepest Sympathy,*

*Lois Billings*

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**Lois Billings** - February 10, 2024 at 04:59 PM

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“ Carolyn, Tom and Lana, Scott and Diana planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Philip D. Hoekstra.

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**Carolyn, Tom and Lana, Scott and Diana** - February 08, 2024 at 10:09 PM



“ Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." was purchased for the family of Philip D. Hoekstra.



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DS

“ He was a kind man with a gentle spirit. He will be missed. Brian and Debbie Schurman.

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**Deborah Schurman** - February 08, 2024 at 08:28 PM

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“ *Phil had a special place in my heart.I will love you forever.Could not wait for Sunday to get my hugs ❤️❤️ I will miss you my sweet friend.Ripl love you.susan and Mike nickles.*

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**susan Nickles** - February 06, 2024 at 05:51 PM

RM

“ *My sympathy to you for you're lost Kim. May your father rest in peace.*



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**Rose Mitchell** - February 06, 2024 at 10:32 AM