



Robert Dykstra

October 10, 1916 - January 9, 2015

Robert Dykstra, 98, of St. Anne, passed away Friday (Jan. 9, 2015) at home. He was born Oct. 10, 1916, in Wichert, the son of Henry and Kate Hoekstra Dykstra. Robert married Eunice Allain on April 14, 1938.

Bob retired from Armstrong World Industries, where he worked for 29 years. He served as an elder and as treasurer of First Baptist Church of St. Anne, was a board member of Bible Witness Camp in Pembroke for 31 years, and loved to read and study his Bible. He also drove as a volunteer for Meals on Wheels, was an avid gardener and enjoyed sharing his produce with friends and neighbors.

Surviving are his wife, of St. Anne; sons and daughters-in-law, Duane and Sandra Dykstra, of Aroma Park, Mark and Kim Dykstra, of Kankakee; daughters and sons-in-law, Carol Keller, of Bradley, Wanda and Forrest Zander, of Winfield, and Donita Odom, of Randleman, N.C.; sister, Lillian DeBoer, of Jenison, Mich.; brothers and sisters-in-law, Ralph and Alice Dykstra, of St. Anne, Harold and Ilene Dykstra, of Bloomington; 13 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and numerous great-great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his parents; four grandchildren, Robert and Jacqueline Keller, Heidi and Stephen Reid; great-granddaughter, Angela Clevenger; two sons-in-law, James Keller and Richard Reid; three sisters, Johanna Dykstra, Rose Jellema, and Mildred Roberts; and two brothers, Richard Dykstra, and Neil Dykstra.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. Monday until the 10:30 a.m. funeral services at Clancy-Gernon-Houk Funeral Home in St. Anne, with the Rev. Bob Wauchope officiating. Burial will be in Kankakee Memorial Gardens in Aroma Township. Memorials may be made to Bible Witness Camp in Pembroke Township.

Cemetery Details

Kankakee Memorial Gardens

15 S. 3000 E. Rd.
Kankakee, IL 60901

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 12. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Anne - Clancy-Gernon-Houk Funeral Home
214 W. Sheffield
St. Anne, IL 60964
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

JL

“ *Very sorry for you lost. You and your family are in my prayers.* ”

Judi Lancaster - January 12, 2015 at 09:44 AM

BC

“ *VERY SORRY FOR YOUR LOSE. HE WAS A VERY LOVING AND CARING PATIENT TO ME. SINCERELY BETTY FROM DR ABRAHAMS OFFICE IN ST ANNE.* ”

BETTY COLLEY - January 11, 2015 at 09:55 AM

BS

“ *Bev And Bob Schuller lit a candle in memory of Robert Dykstra* ”



Bev and Bob Schuller - January 10, 2015 at 09:27 PM

VP

“ *Vickie Page lit a candle in memory of Robert Dykstra* ”



Vickie Page - January 10, 2015 at 07:17 PM

RP

“ *Roxanne Pierce lit a candle in memory of Robert Dykstra*



Roxanne Pierce - January 10, 2015 at 11:58 AM

BW

“ *Mr. Dykstra was a such a good and Godly man. He and his wife were friends of my parents. I'm sure they are all harmonizing in Heaven right now. We need more people like this good man in the world.*

Beth Whitesell - January 10, 2015 at 11:51 AM

DC

“ *We remember Bob as a very godly man, with an excellent knowledge of the Bible. He had a sense of humor and it was our privilege to have known him. Our thoughts and prayers. Dee & Jim Clark*

Dee & Jim Clark - January 10, 2015 at 08:35 AM

JH

We worked many years at Armstrong with Bob & Ralph. So sorry to hear of Bobs passing How wonderful to have had a long & blessed life ! We have a lot of fond memories of him. Jim & Anita Honn

Jim & Anita Honn - January 11, 2015 at 11:26 AM

BB

“ We're sorry to learn of Bob's passing, but he certainly did live a long and fulfilling life. Back in the 1960s I carpooled with Bob, Jim Billings & Clyde Rattin from St. Anne to the Armstrong Plant in Kankakee. I recall that Bob made sure we left St. Anne about a half hour earlier than necessary just in case we had a flat tire on the way to work or got caught waiting for a long freight train.

Out condolences to Bob's family.

Sandra & Bob Bovie

Bob Bovie - January 10, 2015 at 08:12 AM