



Henry Vander Goore

September 18, 1925 - December 20, 2014

Henry Dominic Vander Goore of Royal Oak, Michigan, died in his home on Saturday, December 20, 2014, the day of the Feast of St. Dominic. Hendricus Henry/Hank was born September 18, 1925 in Brunssum, Holland, to the late Jacob and Mary DeVoss Vander Goore. Henry came to America on April 1, 1926 with his family through the Ellis Island Immigration Center. All the family came at that time, except for one brother and one sister, who had come several years earlier. He married Elfrieda Victoria Vicky Ihle on February 27, 1965; and she preceded him in death on August 18, 2010. Hank was the youngest of 12 children, all of which preceded him in death. Except for twins, who died in their youth, his brothers and sisters were: Wilhelmina Willy, Peter, Augusta Gussy, Magdalena Madeline, Maria Mary, Franz Frank, Antoon Anthony/Tony, Jacobus Jacob/Jake and Albert. He is survived by nine nieces and nephews who will miss him very much, along with e-mail recipients, countless friends and acquaintances, and special friend, Eva Veller. Henry served his country in the U.S. Army from September 1950 – September 1952, stationed in both Korea and Japan. His employment included Garland Mfg., located in Lapeer where he retired as Vice President in the summer of 1981. Hank loved people never at a loss for words in any conversation and music. He was talented – had the ability to play several musical instruments -- and was always willing to share his music with others. Among his favorite instruments were the accordion, organ, and keyboard. One of the greatest enjoyments/privileges of his life was playing his keyboard at Mass. A

memorial Mass was held Friday, January 16, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.in Christ Our Light Catholic Church, 3077 Gloucester Road, Troy, where Henry served as usher and played his keyboard for worship services. Reverend Don Demmer officiated. Military Honors concluded the service. Arrangements by Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, Royal Oak, 248-541-7000. Share your memories at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Tribute Wall

AB

“ I was their insurance agent for many years. After Henry and I found out we both graduated from Denby High School, although at different times, we became great friends for life. I will miss him stopping in to say hello and talk about Denby.

Andy Baetz - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Your friends at AoC miss you, Hank. Choir will never be the same. Thanks for your kindness, your friendliness and the fun you provided, especially to me, the newbie on the block.

Joan Berndt - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ It was a pleasure to know you and we will miss you at the Clawson Senior Center.

Kathy Leenhouts - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ We love you and already deeply miss you. Your friends on Hillcrest. Thanks for making us feel loved like family.

Diane & Natalie Johnson - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM