

In Loving Memory of Clarence (Clary) Kuiper

May 3, 1936 – March 25, 2022

All of Clarence Kuiper's days were ordained by his Loving and Wise Creator before one of them came to be. In God's perfect time he was born in Racine on Sunday, May 3, 1936, to William and Ann (Nee: Soetenga) Kuiper.

Trusting God's promises they presented Clarence for baptism on May 17, 1936, at Racine Christian Reformed Church. On August 10, 1956, he married his loving wife, Evelyn Weg. They were blessed with four children; Sandy, Susan, Jane and Bill. This union endured, by God's grace for 43 wonderful years until Evelyn's death in 1999. Then on November 24, 2001, Clary was united in marriage to his loving wife, Nancy (Groth). This union was blessed for 20 years until the day the Lord took him home.

In his youth, Clary attended Racine Christian School, Lutheran High and Calvin College. On May 9, 1954, Clarence professed his faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, in the presence of God and his church family. He was a lifelong devoted member of Racine CRC, serving as an elder and deacon and was involved in many other ministries.

In his lifetime enjoyed his work at In-Sink-Erator. He worked for 43 years in shipping, IT department and in office services. He also served on the Racine Christian School board. Clary enjoyed golfing, walking, traveling, scrabble, reading, Bible study and Gaither's music. He always loved his time with family, especially his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

On Friday, March 25, his time of service for his Lord complete, Clarence yielded his life to his loving Creator and Savior. He took his heavenly Father's hand and went to his heavenly home. In life, he was a humble and caring, and loving husband, father, brother, grandfather, great-grand father and uncle.

He will be deeply missed by his loving wife, Nancy; his children, Sandy (Pete), Susan (Sean), Jane (Steve), and Bill (Kristi); grandchildren and great grandchildren; sisters, Janet (Ed) Dykstra, Carol (Art) Schaafsma, Charlene (John) Eisel; sisters-in-law Deloris (Al) Veltman, Martha Weg, Joyce (Mel) Oosting, Jeri (Jaap) Kroes, Shelly (Randy) Friesema, and many nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends.

Clary was preceded in death by his parents, William and Ann Kuiper, his first wife, Evelyn (Weg), and his brother Everett Kuiper.

A Service of Celebrating Life and Glorifying God

The Approach to God

Opening Song: ***How Great Thou Art*** PH 483:1,3,4

Sentences: *Ps 16:9-11; John 11:25-26, 1 Thess. 4:14,17-18*

Prayer:

Celebration of Clary's Life

Solo: ***The Lord's Prayer*** Tim Bratt

Scripture: *Psalms 121*

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We Remember Clary

* Song: ***There is a Redeemer***

The Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: *Psalms 63*

Message: *God's Love is Better than Life...*

Prayer of Application

Response to God

Song of Response: ***Great is Thy Faithfulness*** PH 556:1,3

Benediction

* Doxology: ***Because He Lives***

* Stand if you are able

** Heidelberg Catechism – printed on insert in bulletin
PH Gray Books in the Pews

**Clarence's Children, Grand Children
and Great Grandchildren**

Sandy (Pete) Nanninga of Chino, CA,
Peter (Elena) Nanninga, Caleb, Oliver and Silas.
Steven (Dena) Nanninga, Alexa, Marissa, and Adriana.
Stacy (Ryan) Zamroz, Vera, Deacon, and Freeman.

Susan (Sean) Ryan of Myerstown, PA.
Eric (Heather) VanLaar, and Sophie.
Joel (Amanda) VanLaar, Weston and Penny.
Greg (Patty) VanLaar, Oliver and Evelyn.

Jane (Steve) Smith of Grafton, NE.
Heather(Dane) Nienhueser, Keegan, Cole, and Taylor.
Elizabeth Smith,
Jennifer Smith,
Cody Smith,
Jon (Shelisa) Smith, Willa and Ellie.
Timothy Smith.

Bill (Kristi) Kuiper of Hudsonville, MI.
Jenna (Nick) Schuck.
Mitchell (Aleah) Kuiper, Clarence, Emerson
Stephanie (Tim) Clover.

Lori (David) Horonzy of Racine, WI,
Shelby Horonzy and Shamus.

Kevin (Lesley) Groth of Franksville, WI, Riley, Lola, and David

Peter Nanninga	Mitch Kuiper	
	Eric Van Laar	Cody Smith
	Steven Nanninga	Jon Smith
	Joel Van Laar	Tim Smith
	Greg Van Laar	David Groth
Officiating:	Pastor Anson Veenstra	
Accompanists:	Mr. Tim Bratt	
Arrangements:	Sturino Funeral Home	

Thank you for your presence here today, and for the love and support given to Nancy and the rest of Clary's family. We invite you to stay for a light lunch and time of fellowship immediately following the service. There will be a brief committal at 1:30 at West Lawn Memorial Park. *For those planning on gathering for the committal, please come to the entrance on Washington and 90th.*
