



## Arie de Jong

June 18, 1946 - August 8, 2023

Arie de Jong, Jr., 77, of Plymouth, Michigan, passed away on August 8, 2023 after an extended battle with dementia. Arie de Jong, Jr., was born on June 18, 1946 in Rotterdam, the Netherlands, to parents Arie and Elsje de Jong. Arie's family moved to Trenton, MI in 1957. Arie graduated from Trenton High School. One of the things that Arie was most proud of was his 27 years of service to the United States Army. Arie loved music, especially jazz, and attended the North Sea Jazz Festival many times during his Army tour in the Netherlands. Arie was also an avid motorcyclist and was able to achieve a lifelong dream of riding his very own Harley Davidson. Arie also enjoyed poetry and architecture. From cutting neighbor's lawns, to acting as Santa Claus and Sinterklaas, to pushing other residents' wheelchairs when they needed it, Arie could be counted on to help others. He was a valuable member of any community of which he was a member. Arie was predeceased by his parents, Arie and Elsje, as well as his siblings, Pleun, Wilhelmina, Cornelius, Lena, Martinus, Elsje, and Dina. He is survived by his siblings, Beverly (Bob) and Richard (Cathy). He is also survived by his children, Stefanie (Pete), Arie III (Jaime), and Andrea (Derek) as well as his five grandchildren, Craig, Anneke, Jackson, Dominic, and Weston. Services will be held at 12 noon on Wednesday, August 16, 2023 at Dryer Funeral Home in Holly. Family will greet visitors from 10:00 AM until time of service. Military Honors will be held at Great Lakes National Cemetery at 1:30 PM following the funeral service. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made

to Heart to Heart Hospice and Disabled American Veterans.

Arie could always be counted on for a great story or an irreverent joke and we will all miss his smile and his hearty laugh.

# Cemetery Details

## Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Rd.  
Holly, MI 48442

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 16. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Dryer Funeral Home  
101 First St  
Holly, MI 48442  
(248) 634-8291

## Funeral Service

AUG 16. 12:00 PM (ET)

Dryer Funeral Home  
101 First St  
Holly, MI 48442  
(248) 634-8291

## Military Honors

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AUG **16**. 1:30 PM (ET)

Great Lakes National Cemetery  
4200 Belford Rd  
Holly, MI 48442-9444  
(248) 328-0386

# Tribute Wall

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**Bruce Dryer** - August 16, 2023 at 03:42 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray* was purchased for the family of Arie de Jong.



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August 09, 2023 at 11:35 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Arie de Jong.



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August 09, 2023 at 02:56 PM

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**Stefanie** - August 08, 2023 at 04:46 PM

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