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Ann Rolina Vermeer, age 92, of Spring Lake passed away Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at home in the care of loving family and caregivers. Ann was born May 15, 1924 to the late Geertje (de Lange) and Jan Arends in the village of Erica, in Drenthe, Netherlands. She was the oldest of eight children. Ann's early life was devoted to family and assisting with the care and nurture of her younger siblings. Additionally she took an active role helping her father in his bicycle shop. In October of 1947 she married Arnold Vermeer in The Hague, Netherlands and together they came to the United States to build their life together. Arnold preceded her in death in December 2007. In the United States she raised three children together with her husband and was active in her church in service and leadership roles. She studied interior decoration and had a very successful interior decorating consulting business. Though her early education was interrupted by her father's untimely death when she was 13 years old, Ann relished taking college classes when she was in her sixties.

Devoted friends, admiring acquaintances and all her family attest to her strength of faith, positive outlook and numerous creative endeavors. She was an avid art collector and was known for her careful eye to detail and ability to create beauty in all her surroundings. Her home was a welcome haven for many visitors and her story telling ability is legendary. Friends, her children and her grandchildren will all remember her encouragement, her life coaching and her ability to set a positive tone in any situation. Ann enjoyed her Dutch heritage but was a very proud American and said often that coming to the United States was the very best decision she and Arnold had made. Ann is survived by her three children : John (Ruth) Vermeer of Big Rapids, Rolina Vermeer (Warren Roosen) of Spring Lake, and Evelyn (Joe) Sevac of Big Rapids and grand children Jeremiah (RaeAnn) Vermeer, Levi Vermeer, Amanda Vermeer, Gabriel Vermeer, Brendan (Regina) Sevac, Connor Sevac, Darby Sevac, and Marlena (Tomasz) Kaczmarek. All her siblings survive her. She is also



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remembered by many nieces and nephews. A special note goes out to her "family" at American House with gratitude for their fine care and love. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at the Fellowship Christian Reformed Church, 407 Perry Avenue, in Big Rapids, with Pastor Ken Krause officiating. Ann's family will greet friends beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the church. Memorial contributions may be made to The Fellowship Church Memorial Fund in memory of Ann Vermeer.



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Gary And Karen Lobdell posted:

John and Ruth, we really enjoyed knowing Ann and hearing her stories of her life. She was so much more a special woman than that was in the wonderful write up. She is certainly enjoying her time in heaven.

April 17 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Ann by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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