



## Jeanette Baas

January 13, 1925 - October 2, 2012

Jeanette Baas of Falmouth went to be with her Lord Tuesday, October 2, 2012 at Mercy Hospital in Cadillac. She was 87. She was born January 13, 1925 in Richland Township, Missaukee County to John and Grace (Beukema) Meekhof and they preceded her in death. On May 30, 1945 she married Orie T. Baas at the Meekhof Family Home in Lucas and he preceded her in death on March 2, 1992.

Mrs. Baas was a member of Aetna Christian Reformed Church for many years. She loved her church and was passionate about it. She was a woman of great faith and prayed often. Jeanette volunteered for Cooperative Ministry of Missaukee County for 25 years at the food pantry. She worked on the family farm with her husband and raised four children. She loved her family, gardening and enjoyed canning fruit, especially peaches, which she did just six weeks ago. She made the best, most delicious apple pie ever.

She is survived by her children: Gordon (Peggy) Baas of Cadillac, Jan Brunink of Tustin and Shirley Nimtz of Niles, Michigan; daughter-in-law, Mary (Ron) Wynia of Grand Rapids; 12 grandchildren: Brenda (Al) Van Den Berg, Darin Baas, Melanie Baas, Brad (Gwen) Nimtz, Dan (Sam) Nimtz, Scott Nimtz, Jeff (Kelly) Baas, Craig (Amanda) Baas, Tony (Val) Brunink, Kristi Brunink, Bridgett Brunink and Brittany Brunink; two great grandchildren, Trenton and Jacob Brunink and in-laws: Gerald "June" Bosch, Elsie Meekhof, Rosie

Meekhof, Harvey (Marilyn) Baas, Tena DeKorver, Anne Baas and Doris Baas.

In addition to her parents and husband she was preceded in death by her step-mother, Alice; a grandson, Randy Baas, son, Ted Baas, and many siblings and in-laws.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m. Saturday, October 6, 2012 at the Aetna Christian Reformed Church, 3459 South 8 Mile Road, Falmouth, Michigan 49632, with Reverend Spencer Tuttle officiating. Friends may meet the family at the church Friday, from 4-7 p.m or Saturday from 10-11 a.m. prior to the service. For a more lasting memorial you are asked to consider the Cooperative Ministry of Missaukee County. Arrangements are being made by the Peterson Funeral Home in Cadillac. An online guestbook is available at [www.petersonfh.com](http://www.petersonfh.com).

# Tribute Wall

SO

“ Dear Shirley, Gord and Jan, What a dear, sweet and warm lady your mother was! She brought immeasurable joy to others, especially my Mother. Their special friendship was one of her dearest blessings. May our Lord and Saviour wrap His arms of comfort around you. ”

*When we all get to Heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be!"  
Love and peace to you and your families.*

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**Sharon Ouellette** - October 12, 2012 at 08:48 AM

GG

“ Gord, Jan, Shirley and families. I was so sorry to hear about your Mom, but knew she had been struggling for awhile and now she is in a better place. She was the last of my Dad's siblings - the end of an awesome generation of such good, Christian people. I remember the fun times we had at your farm and the terrible things Ted did to me because I was the "city cousin"

*. My thoughts and prayers are with your family during this time.*

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**Gloria Meekhof Gabrielse** - October 08, 2012 at 12:12 PM

RB

“ Aunt Jeanette was one of the fun aunts Ted must have taken after her. Our loss is heavens gain!

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**Ray Baas** - October 07, 2012 at 08:39 AM

BH

“ Gordy, Jan and Shirley, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your families during this difficult time. I have many special memories of your mother and our visits to the farm.

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**Bonni (Meekhof) Horan** - October 06, 2012 at 06:39 PM

BB

“Gord, Jan and Shirley, I am so sorry to hear about your mom. I will always remember her as we grew up and what a great Christian example she was to all. I will be thinking and praying for you.

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**Bonnie Bouza** - October 05, 2012 at 11:51 PM

JS

“Gordy, Jan and Shirley and your families. I was sorry to hear of your mom's passing. All the siblings are together again. I do remember her wonderful pies and the good times at the farm. She was always so happy and always cooking. My mother, Rosie Meekhof, sends her best to all of you and said to tell her she had such wonderful times at the farms. Your mom was very special to my mother. She was the maid of honor when my mom and dad got married. May God be with you at this difficult time.

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**Jean Meekhof Stowell** - October 05, 2012 at 08:35 PM

DZ

“I have such fond of your Mother. She was always so friendly and quick to give you a warm embrace and genuine smile. She will be missed. Praying for each of you as you adjust to life without your mom.

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**Dawn Zuiderveen-Fennema** - October 05, 2012 at 10:29 AM

DZ

“What a wonderful, dearly loved lady your Mother is. She always had a warm embrace and quick smile for us. She will be missed. Praying for each of you as you adjust to life without your special mom.

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**Dawn Zuiderveen-Fennema** - October 05, 2012 at 09:53 AM

RB

“ We heard about mom's passing into glory. She is now singing with the heavenly angels. We are lifting you all up in prayer. May God's peace, mercy, and comfort be your strength and testimony. I remember her smile, gentleness, and simple encouragement.

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**Rev. Pete and Cheri Byma** - October 04, 2012 at 09:33 PM

TV

“ So sorry to hear about your mom's death, but what a victory for her! We would like to express our sincere sympathy. We are not able to come to the funeral but know that you will be in our thoughts and prayers in the days ahead and especially on Saturday, the day of the funeral.

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**Tom and Sharon Visser** - October 04, 2012 at 05:12 PM

RS

“ Gordy, Shirley and Jan, So sorry for your loss. Your mom was such an awesome lady to be around when we were visiting Grandpa and Grandma growing up. So many wonderful memories with all of you. We also had such an enjoyable afternoon with her with my Mom and Dad and Heidi at the house a few years ago. Gordy, I still remember the day of Grandpa and Grandma's auction in Falmouth, being up in the tree watching everything. A tough day for me, but you got me through it. Thanks. Also every time I see MASH I remember our times in GR. Sorry we can't make the funeral, but our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. God Bless. Love Randy and Heidi Sikkema

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**Randy and Heidi Sikkema** - October 04, 2012 at 03:21 PM

GZ

“ Jeanette was a living testimony of Christian love, service and knowledge to all you were fortunate to know her. She was a spark of faith in our church and community. God rest her soul!

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**Garry and Mary Zuiderveen** - October 04, 2012 at 02:08 PM

MC

“ So now your dear Mother is gathered to Glory. I imagine my mother was thrilled to see her, and they are now catching up! My sympathy, though, as you say goodbye to that very special lady ' for now.'

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**Marianne Schutte Coughenour** - October 04, 2012 at 12:07 PM

MG

“ I am so, sorry for your loss. I pray for comfort and peace from His arms embracing you.

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**Marsha Griffee** - October 04, 2012 at 10:26 AM

MH

“ Gordy, Jan, Shirley, and families, So sorry to hear about your Mom. She was a wonderful person and the last Meekhof sibling. Please accept my condolences

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**Marilyn Meekhof Heidenfelder** - October 04, 2012 at 06:41 AM