



Clyde Laverne VanEpps

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Clyde Laverne VanEpps, 70, from Horton, MI, passed away on Thursday, December 25, 2025, at his home surrounded by family. Clyde's family and friends will gather from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m., on Tuesday, December 30, 2025, at Eineder Funeral Homes – Michigan Center Chapel, and from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m., on Wednesday, December 31, 2025, at Hillside United Methodist Church – 6100 Folks Rd., Horton, MI 49246. His funeral service will follow at 11:00 a.m. at Hillside United Methodist Church. Pastor Chris Murphy will officiate. Interment will immediately follow services at Roseland Memorial Gardens in Jackson, MI.

Clyde was born on April 29, 1955, in Jackson, MI, to Homer and Donna (Whiting) VanEpps. He graduated from Vandercook Lake High School in 1973. Clyde married the love of his life, Nancy Jean Bos, on October 3, 1975, in Jackson, MI. Clyde started his career at Muskegon Motors (Wyman-Gordon) as a machinist. He then found a job as a corrections officer for the Southern Michigan Prison, where he retired from after 30 years of service. During his time working as a corrections officer, Clyde was the head Varsity Football and Baseball coach at Hanover Horton High school, his real passion. He spent 25 years coaching at Hanover Horton, and even after retirement, Clyde worked in the maintenance department of the school, caring for the fields. He loved to play golf, go fishing, go ice fishing, do yard work, including gardening, and was a huge fan of the University of Michigan Football team. Clyde was a member of the Horton Congregational Church, where he was a Deacon. He loved being a father to his two boys, plus he was able to be a fatherly figure for hundreds of athletes as a coach. Clyde always said “The 3 most important things in life are the Lord, Family and Michigan Football”. He will be remembered as a devoted, loving husband, father and grandfather, who could get along with everyone. Clyde will be sorely missed by all who knew and loved him.

Clyde will be missed by his wife, Nancy; his children, Nathan (Caitlyn) VanEpps and Cory VanEpps; his siblings, Cheryl Teegarden, Randy (Tinker) VanEpps and Janice Thomas; his grandchildren, Scarlett VanEpps, George VanEpps, Evelyn VanEpps and 1 on the way; his sister-



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in-law, Sharon VanEpps; his brother-in-law, Craig (Debbie) Bos; his devoted dog, Rocky; many nieces and nephews, many friends, and the Hanover Horton Community. He is preceded in death by his parents, Homer and Donna; his brother, Douglas VanEpps, his brothers-in-law, Mike Thomas and John Teegarden; his nephew, Brian "Boomer" VanEpps; his in-laws, Wesley and Evelyn Bos; and his very dear friend, Jim Brian.

The family would like to acknowledge the Henry Ford Hospice Home that took such excellent care of Clyde. Thank you for the love and dedication you showed towards him.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the Horton Congregational Church: 7724 Moscow Rd., Horton, MI 49246 or the Hanover Horton High School Athletic Department: 10000 Moscow Rd., Horton, MI 49246. Please leave a message of comfort for Clyde's family or sign his guestbook at <https://www.EinederFuneralHomes.com>.



Events

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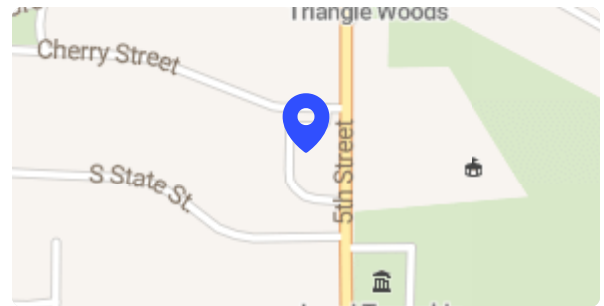
Family & Friends Visitation

Tuesday, December 30, 2025

4:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET

Eineder Funeral Homes - Michigan Center Chapel

820 5th St, Michigan Center MI 49254



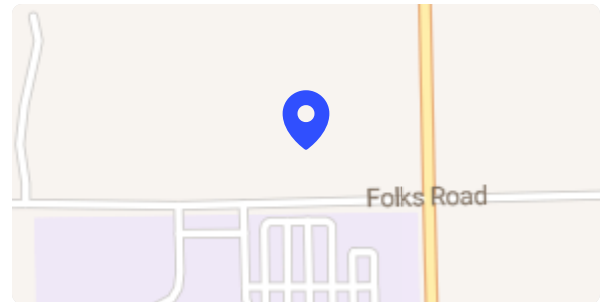
Family & Friends Visitation

Wednesday, December 31, 2025

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET

Hillside United Methodist Church

6100 Folks Rd., Horton MI 49246



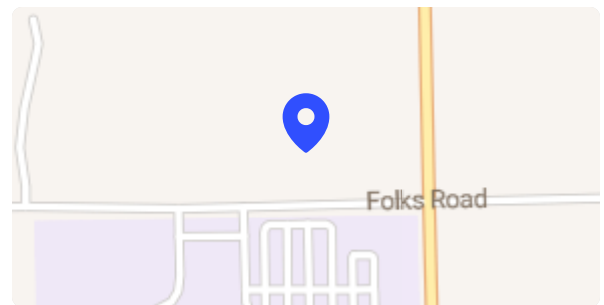
Funeral Service

Wednesday, December 31, 2025

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET

Hillside United Methodist Church

6100 Folks Rd., Horton MI 49246



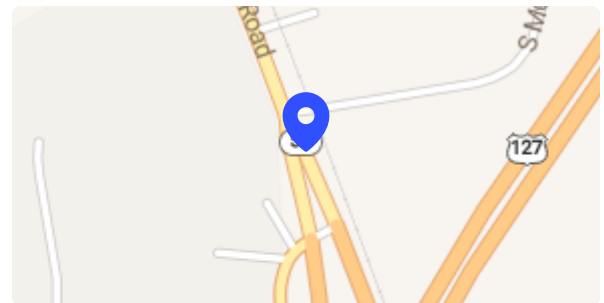
Interment

Wednesday, December 31, 2025

12:30 PM ET

Roseland Memorial Gardens

Brooklyn Road, Napoleon Twp MI 49203






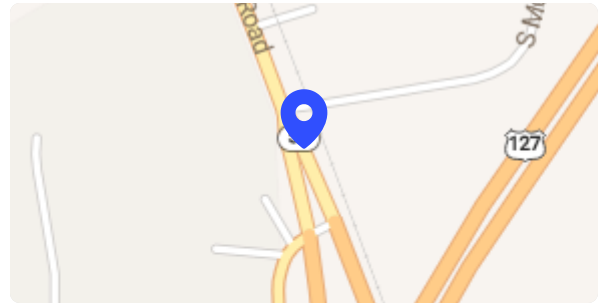
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Cemetery Details

 **Roseland Memorial Gardens**
Brooklyn Road, Napoleon Twp MI 49203





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LF

Love The Entire Cole Family sent a Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses to the VanEpps family.

December 30 at 11:22 AM



CF

Chris Vanepps & Kelly Howard Families sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the VanEpps family.

December 30 at 9:34 AM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the VanEpps family.

December 28 at 7:46 PM



LW

Lisa And Lee Warren sent a Lavender Reflections Spray to the VanEpps family.

December 28 at 3:09 PM



LW

Lisa And Lee Warren planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Clyde.

December 28 at 3:09 PM



EC

Ed Crouch posted:

Clyde was a classmate of mine and someone I always looked up to and respected immensely. We played a lot of baseball together when we were younger with my dad as our coach. Before my dad passed earlier this year, even with some dementia, he would ask me how Clyde was doing. Even as a young man he made an indelible impression on him that lasted a lifetime. He will be sorely missed. Rest in peace "Teddy Bear"

December 28 at 11:53 AM



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Kevin Cummings posted:

I met Clyde thru golfing. He was a great guy, with a matching sense of humor. We shared a lot of good times together, he was larger then life. Rest peacefully my friend. Hit them straight down middle.

December 27 at 9:51 PM



Jon Teegardin shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

One of my earliest memories is of my Uncle Clyde lifting me up to the ceiling when I was so little and he was a giant of a man. Feeling safe and knowing nothing would hurt me while he was with me. He was a loving and caring person who dedicated his life to God, family, and Michigan football. I will miss his wit, his laugh, and mostly his example he set for me and so many others during his life as a Godly man. He will be missed. Love you Uncle Clyde.



December 27 at 6:51 PM



Anonymous sent a Country Basket Blooms to the VanEpps family.

December 27 at 6:40 PM



Jon And Michelle Teegardin And Family planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Clyde.

December 27 at 6:40 PM



Karen And Dave Malewitz posted:

Clyde and Nancy were classmates of mine at Vandercook. Since graduation, we have become friends. Losing Clyde is a huge loss. He was a good friend to many. Fly high my friend.

December 27 at 11:51 AM



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PA

Paul Allen posted:

I worked with Clyde at SPSM for more than 20 years and came to really know appreciate the man he was. He was a true family man who loved his wife and sons and a genuine man of God. I always enjoyed working with Clyde and appreciated and respected him as both a coworker and a friend. He was truly one of the best I ever had the pleasure of working with and a man who always led by example...and somehow always paired it with a great sense of humor. Not always easy to do in a prison environment. There are far too many memories to share, but he will be deeply missed by many.

December 27 at 11:48 AM

TH

Tom Harmon posted:

Clyde was a classmate of mine from the earliest days to graduation. He was always "larger than life," in many ways, lol. We played a lot of baseball together, and other sports, he was just a big part of the VCL community. The greatest thing though, was getting back with him in later years, to see him at different venues. At one of those, he shared with me his faith, and apologized to me for what he thought he might have done wrong to me. It so touched my heart! Seeing the grace of God, and what He had done in Clyde's life! Nancy was perfect for him from way back! God bless the family, and rejoice in this, that Clyde knows his Lord, and the "blessed hope" we have as believers, is being realized in unimaginable ways. "Eye hath not seen, ear hath not heard, neither has it entered into the heart of man the things that God has prepared for them that love Him!"

December 27 at 10:21 AM

TG

Trent Gorzen posted:

I just want his family to know what an amazing man and mentor he was to so many over the years. Trent Gorzen as a player who had him as a coach really cherished him. He expected the best out of you fundamentally and mentally. He would let you know when you weren't performing to your capability and would always challenge you to reach your best. He is a true icon that words can't describe how immense the loss is for the community and the family. Nancy and the kids are just a perfect reflection of what he stood for. My heart goes out to you Nancy, Nate, and Cory! I have many memories with you all. Be proud. Your husband and dad was a truly great, and passionate man about so many things. Playing for him in baseball and football, then having the opportunity to coach with him for a few years were the best years of my life. Love you all!

December 26 at 9:47 PM



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Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the VanEpps family.



December 26 at 9:33 PM



Arbor Hills Golf Club planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Clyde.



December 26 at 9:33 PM



Winston Cummings posted:
A great guy to know and to work with.

December 26 at 9:29 PM



Media

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December 27 at 6:51 PM





Memories only last if you share them

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



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