

## Larry J. Ter Avest September 15, 1941 – September 12, 2023 Allegan, Michigan

On September 12th, Larry J. Ter Avest went to his heavenly home surrounded by his family. To honor Larry's wishes we will not list his achievements, other than to say he loved his Lord and Savior and always wanted to honor Him with his life. He was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and friend. He was preceded in death by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Ter Avest, his baby sister Betty, his brother John, his stepmother Betty Bailey, his in-laws Mr. and Mrs. Clare De Went. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Carol, his children Dr. Kristi Ter Avest-Thede and Cory, Rev. Todd Ter Avest and Beth and his six grandchildren Taylor, Tristyn, Ty, Elijah, Anna, and Fritzlin, his sister Linda Wieringa, brother Bill Ter Avest (Sandy) and sister-in-law, Sherry Bergsma (Jerry). Larry and his family served the Wesleyan Mission in Haiti on the island of La Gonave from 1975-77 and on multiple work teams in subsequent years, during his daughter, Dr. Kristi Thede and family's years of service in Haiti. A family graveside service was held soon after his passing and later a memorial service was held on September 23 at Living Hope Community Church in Richland. Michigan, conducted by Rev. Todd J. Ter Avest.