



Gerardus "Gerry" Adrianus Spape

September 3, 1947 - August 27, 2018

Gerardus "Gerry" Adrianus Spape, age 70, passed away August 27, 2018. Beloved husband of Brenda. Proud father of Lisa Schostek (Tom), Thomas Spape (Allison), Eric Spape (Beverly), Craig Spape (Ashley), Brandon Spape and Rachel Novi. Dear step-father of Lora Owings (Scott), Trista Plunkett (Todd), and C.J. Tonne. Loving grandfather of 15. Treasured son and only child of the late Elisa Gurnett and Adrian Spape. Gerry was born in The Hague, Netherlands and migrated to Montreal, Canada at age 3. At the age of 12, his family moved to Cleveland, OH. He enjoyed telling stories of his childhood in Canada and sharing his life story. Loved to laugh, travel and enjoyed all life had to offer. Gerry was a very hard worker and the ultimate salesman. He worked for Dragon Products for the last 10 years. VISITATION 2-5 PM MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, at JARDINE FUNERAL HOME, 15822 PEARL ROAD, STRONGSVILLE where a Memorial Service will follow at 5 PM. Interment Private. The family suggests memorial contributions to a cancer organization or charity of your choice.

Cemetery

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Events

SEP **Visitation** 02:00PM - 05:00PM

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Jardine Funeral Home

15822 Pearl Road, Strongsville, OH, US, 44136

SEP **Memorial Service** 05:00PM

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Comments



“ My husband and I wish Gerry's family (known to me as Rard) much strength in this difficult time of loss. Gerry has given me a welcome feeling in those times that I visited my Auntie Lies. I have also been very welcome at his home several times. After the burial, the time of the loss comes, but there will also be many memories of the man, father and grandfather Gerry. We wish you all the very best in the coming time. Greetings from Lucia and Rob Posthuma-Beeloo. (luro@ziggo.nl) The Hague, Netherlands.

Lucia Posthuma-Beeloo - August 31, 2018 at 11:04 AM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Gerardus "Gerry" Adrianus Spape.



August 30, 2018 at 05:53 PM



“ Brenda, I wish we had been able to gather more so that I could have known Gerry. I remember he was always smiling and was a happy addition to the family. Please know you are in our prayers.

Gail & John Owings

Gail Owings - August 30, 2018 at 11:33 AM



“ We are sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with the family.

Chris Frank - August 30, 2018 at 07:36 AM



“ Goodbye dear Rard,

I will miss you when you past away, it immediately felt empty.

Dear memories appeared, wonderful precious memories from not long ago but surely the ones from when we were 17 years of age when I was living for a year with you and your mom. What great times we had, but I am also very grateful that you where there for me in my very dark days. You also were great in getting every joy out of live, something I wish I had. But thank you for teaching, sitting in the disco you, for hours, you were telling me how things work in life. Rard it has been wonderful to have a cousin like you, I will never forget and one day we will meet again. Save a nice place so I can meet all the ones I lost and loved again.

Love you.

For Brenda:

Dear Brenda, you are and have been a wonderful loving wife and friend for Gerry, I have never ever seen two people having more fun and laughter together than the both of you. I wis you all the strength with the loss of your husband. You did so well, so good, thank you for being you. I love you.

Riza

Riza Roemers-Berenson - August 30, 2018 at 04:26 AM



“ We remember the times when he visited the Netherlands. I always asked how much he did understand of the dutch language and than he replied ' Brommer'. I am sure he understood 80% of our dutch conversations. His mother told me that she said to him several times that it was so stupid to forget the language and she even got mad ;-).

We remember our trip back in 2005 where we stayed a week at his home having a great barbecue before visiting the Niagra falls. He was truly enjoying life to the full where nothing cannot be done.

Many many thanks, our thoughts are with the family.

Tim, Kevin, Nicolette and Jack
Gouda, the Netherlands.

Jack Vink - August 29, 2018 at 03:32 PM



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Jack Vink - August 29, 2018 at 02:25 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gerardus "Gerry" Adrianus Spape.



August 29, 2018 at 12:48 PM



“ However he is my nephew, we did not meet each other a lot of times. We stayed with him in his mobile home in Detroit. He showed us the city and the Ford museum. We brought him "stroopwafels" from Holland, wich he called stroopwaffels, with dubble f. He tryed to pronounce some difficult Dutch words like "Scheveningen" en "handschoenen". It was almost right.

He taught us a game like triomino, but a little bit more difficult. We had a lot of fun playing it. We were never able to buy that game in Holland.

We still remember that when he was driving his company, or customers from that company, phoned him and he was answering them on his mobile phone while driving his car. Forbidden in Holland, but allowed in the States he told us.

We also went to his company and he showed us the tanks he was selling.

With Brenda he stayed for a few days with us in The Hague. They were very proud to travel with a streetcar and a train to Amsterdam. We did not have to drive them, they wanted to do it by themselves. Of course they succeed.

Now and then I did send him a mail. He did not answer my mails. "I always forget to read my mail," was his excuse.

Lat but not least we remember his sense of humor.

Anneke & Rob Beeloo

L.r. Beeloo - August 29, 2018 at 11:49 AM



“ Gerry, my cousin, will be rembered nu me as a kind human being who worked very hard in his, too short, life. He was always very tenacious in the things he undertook! He loved tanks which he made his profession. Gerry was always very kindhearted towards other people. He enjoyed life as much as possible. He always was cheerful even in his sickness. Although he lived fat away from is we will always remember him as a kind man.

Berenson familie in The Netherlands

Loek Berenson - August 29, 2018 at 10:27 AM