



Chris Postma Jr

December 29, 1929 - May 15, 2018

Chris Postma Jr., age 88, of Rudyard, Michigan, passed away Tuesday, May 15, 2018, at War Memorial Hospital Long Term Care in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. He was born December 29, 1929, to Chris Sr. and Tina (Folkersma) Postma.

Chris lived his entire life in Rudyard, except when he was called to serve his country. He was drafted into the U.S. Army when he was eighteen and served two years during the Korean War with an artillery squad. He returned to Rudyard and married Marilyn Meyers on October 26, 1956, at the Rudyard Christian Reformed Church.

Chris had grown up on the farm, attending the Holland School north of Rudyard, and he and Marilyn continued to farm in Rudyard while they raised their five children. He was a hard worker who enjoyed dairy farming. They also raised angora goats and cash crops. He loved growing produce and visiting with the many customers who came every year to buy his vegetables.

Chris played many sports including softball for both Rudyard and Church League. He was an avid Detroit Tigers fan. He loved bowling, hunting, fishing, and many other outdoor activities. When he retired from farming, he worked for Smithers Tire Testing for fifteen years during the winter months.

Chris was a member of the Rudyard Christian Reformed Church, where he enjoyed the Men's Bible Club. He was a member of the Michigan Farm Bureau.

Chris is survived by his beloved wife of 61 years, Marilyn (Meyers) Postma; one son, Bob (Laura) Postma of Rudyard; four daughters, Pam (Ron) Van Sumeren of Kinross, Michigan, Linda Postma of Rudyard, Sally Postma of Rudyard, and Lisa (Jim) Wrocklage of Fort Lauderdale, Florida; granddaughters, Danielle (Doug) Willis, Nicole Postma and Abby Van Sumeren; grandsons, Tyler Postma, Derrick Postma, and Drew Van Sumeren; one great granddaughter, Marah Willis; one brother, Jake (Carol) Postma of Rudyard; and many nieces and nephews.

Chris was preceded in death by his parents; and by two sisters and their husbands, Marion and Vern VanSloten and Audrey and Dick Hoolsema.

Services will be held Monday, May 21, at Rudyard Christian Reformed Church, 17970 S Tilson Road in Rudyard. Visitation will be held from 11:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M. followed by the funeral service at 1:00 P.M.

Burial will be in North Rudyard Township Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Rudyard Christian School, 10702 W. 17 Mile Rd., Rudyard, MI 49780 or War Memorial Hospital Long Term Care, 550 Osborn Blvd., Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783.

Cemetery Details

North Rudyard Township Cemetery

15141 S Tilson Rd
Rudyard, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 21. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Christian Reformed Church
17970 S Tilson Rd
Rudyard, MI 49780

Funeral Service

MAY 21. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Chris Postma Jr*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Chris Postma Jr*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *Chris Postma Jr*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Chris Postma Jr.*



May 19, 2018 at 09:27 AM



“ *Always enjoyed visiting with Chris and Marilyn. Chris loved to tell stories about the good old days and tell me things that would get his wife going - which he always did with a twinkle in his eye. Chris loved the Lord and was a man of faith.*

Pastor John - May 18, 2018 at 02:37 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Chris Postma Jr.*



May 18, 2018 at 11:19 AM



“ *Chris was the speediest outfielder in our softball games up on Tilson hill. He could be playing center field and run in and catch a popup on the infield. Definitely a speedy guy. He also ran down our errant western herefords which were wandering the countryside. Ran them down, got hold of their tails, and corralled them for us. Thanks, Chris. We haven't forgotten....*

Robert Ploegstra - May 18, 2018 at 11:11 AM



“ *Aunt Marilyn...Rudy and I are so happy we got to visit you and Uncle Chris last October. .he was a great man! Love Rudy and Joni*

Joni veeneman - May 18, 2018 at 10:31 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Chris Postma Jr.*



May 18, 2018 at 08:46 AM

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“ Aunt Marilyn, so sorry for your loss! Uncle Chris was a special man and we have many great memories of our visits! Love Cork and Judy 🙏🙏🙏

Cork and Judy Tromp - May 17, 2018 at 09:10 PM

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“ Marilyn and family...so sorry to hear of Chris's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Rich and Sue Beishuizen - May 17, 2018 at 07:23 PM