



Arnold van Rossem

December 11, 1925 - December 8, 2009

Arnold van Rossem (Arnie to his friends and Beer to his wife) passed away peacefully, early in the morning on December 8th, 2009. He was listening to short stories from his book read aloud by his family around him. The story was about his journey in 1968 through out South America with his wife, Joan. It was a grand adventure and now his life has taken a new adventure. He is survived by his wife of 55 years Joan (Harris) van Rossem who shared a wonderful life together with him. Arnold was born in Delft, Netherlands in 1925. During World War II, Arnold fought with the Dutch Resistance to assist the Allies. When he reached the proper age, he joined the Dutch Air Force. He and Joan met in Europe and their relationship developed when Arnold came to the United States to pursue a PhD. Arnold leaves behind a loving family of three sons and a daughter and five grandchildren; Christopher Vincent van Rossem and Beatriz with children Christopher and Alessandra of Roswell, Mark Arnold van Rossem of Roswell, James Harris van Rossem and Lori with children Hanneh and Joshua of Atlanta, and Elizabeth Van Derbeck with husband Paul and child Honus of Johns Creek. We celebrate the passing of our patriarch on his birthday, December 11, 2009 at 1PM in the funeral home chapel. Northside Chapel Funeral Directors, 12050 Crabapple Road Roswell, GA 30075. Condolences may be sent to www.northsidechapel.com

Cemetery Details

Sikorski Funeral Home

3630 West George Street
Chicago, IL

Previous Events

Service

DEC 11. 1:00 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors & Crematory
12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Tribute Wall



“ *Arnold van Rossem*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *As a long time friend of Mark's , I was fortunate to play golf in Ft. Myers with Arnie . He was a true classic gentleman and will be sorely missed. He always seemed in a great mood, great sense of humor, and an all around solid citizen.##imported-begin##scott broady##imported-end##*

December 14, 2009 at 03:17 PM



“ *My condolences to the Van Rossem family. I understand very much what you are going through right now. Though I did not know him, it seems like he was a man that brought joy into the world.##imported-begin##Rhonda Ross##imported-end##*

December 13, 2009 at 04:39 PM



“ *My condolences. I have met Oom Beer only a few times but I remember the time in Ede (where we lived in the Netherlands) when I was a little boy. The Uncle came with the strange name! He looked like and talked in the same way as my own father. I will remember these moments.##imported-begin##Bas van Rossem##imported-end##*

December 13, 2009 at 12:25 PM



“ *What a beautiful tribute.##imported-begin##Janet A Elia##imported-end##*

December 13, 2009 at 12:10 AM



“ *We did not know your Dad, but if he was anything like you, James... we are sure he was a great man. We are thinking of you all. We love you! Sending very warm wishes and sympathy from a very cold Ohio...##imported-begin##Frank & Michelle Elia##imported-end##*

December 12, 2009 at 09:47 PM



“ *We are sorry to hear of the passing of Arnold. Our thoughts are with all of the van Rossem family.##imported-begin##Chuck and Dianne Replogle##imported-end##*

December 12, 2009 at 12:32 PM



“ *Dear James and family,*

I am very saddened to hear of your father's passing. Nothing can be harder. I hold you fast in my heart and am very much missing and thinking and remembering all of you with great affection and much love.##imported-begin##Will Hawes##imported-end##

December 11, 2009 at 07:39 PM



“ Dear Mark and family,
We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts are with you and your family.
Love,
Mike, Nancy, Caitlin, and Nick.##imported-begin##Mike
Giorgio##imported-end##

December 11, 2009 at 07:06 PM



“ Dear Mark and family,
I am so sorry for your loss. Although, I never met your father, I am sure he was a wonderful man, knowing you Mark. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Love, Jerry##imported-begin##Jeremiah
Giorgio##imported-end##

December 11, 2009 at 07:01 PM



“ Dear Mark and family,
We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.
With love,
Josh, Monique, Mia, and Sophia.##imported-begin##Monique
Engel##imported-end##

December 11, 2009 at 06:57 PM



“ Dear family,

Please accept our condolences on the passing of Uncle Beer. The last time we met him was at the reunion of the Van Rossem family at The Veluwe in 2001(?). We keep warm memories of him as a genuine family man. We will remember him especially from the stories my father Gerard used to tell about his wartime experiences. Keep well.

Christien, Wil, Sophie and Oscar##imported-begin##Christien van Rossem and family##imported-end##

December 11, 2009 at 05:00 PM

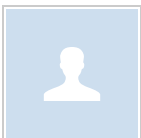


“ Joan

God bless you on this changing time in your life. So thankful you and Arnie had so many good years together. I think of you often and send my sincerest sympathy. May he rest in peace as you celebrate all his happiest and funniest times. Thankful that you are able to be surrounded by your family.

Susan and Tom Brown##imported-begin##Susan Brown##imported-end##

December 11, 2009 at 11:03 AM



“ **OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY JOAN AND FAMILY AND TO MY BEST FRIEND WHO HAS LOST HIS BEST FRIEND##imported-begin##JEFF & LISA BOYD & FAMILY##imported-end##**

December 11, 2009 at 07:01 AM



“ *Dear Family*

Condolences to Tante Joan, cousins and family with the loss of Oom Beer.

We'll be thinking of you these days. Oom Beer always reminded me of my own father, Jan and I'll never forget that during our holiday in Upper Captiva, Jan and Beer took us out on their boat and how lovely it was to be with them.

The end of the era of the Kanaalweg van Rossems. I'll attach 3 fotos (1939, 1949 and 1967) in the fotobook.

Love

Steven, Okkie, Duco, Max and Walter van Rossem

Muscat, Oman###imported-begin##Steven van Rossem##imported-end##

December 11, 2009 at 02:54 AM



“ I have known Arnold since he showed up at 1101 Cedar St. in Tipton, IA, my family home. The attraction was evidently my sister Joan. Arnold drove from New York, N.Y. in his newly aquired 1947 Hudson. He was mighty proud of that car but made the mistake of asking my opinion about its worthiness. I was seventeen at the time and had zero skills in diplomacy and I am afraid I induced a permanent complex in his judgement about automobiles.

That was nearly 56 years ago, the majority of a lifetime. Over the years I have experienced many facets of Arnold; he was a complex man. His strong character made him suited for a competative business world in which he succeeded. I believe Arnold saw the coming of global marketing long before globalization became a fact.

While he strove for perfection in the business world, his real passion was orchids, the perfect flower. This was his compassionate and gentle side.

We and our families shared many good times over the years. I choose to remember Arnie as the vibrant, engaging and generous person that he was.

Sail on Arnold, sail on.

*Brother-in-law,
Bud Harris##imported-begin##Hallett J. Harris##imported-end##*

December 10, 2009 at 10:15 PM



“ Dear van Rossems,
After being married more than 40 years in Your Family, the death off
uncle Beer feels like the death of one off my own uncles. I very well
remember him sitting on our couch telling us very funny and very
strong stories.
I wish you all lots of strenght in the time to come.
Winnie van Rossem-Robijns###imported-begin##winnie van
rossem###imported-end##

December 10, 2009 at 05:06 PM



“ Dear family,
I have known Oom Beer my whole life. We lived in the same house
for some time (Wageningen-Holland).
He played Sinterklaas and I saw at his shoes that it was him!
It was really the nicest uncle I had! He was sweet and funny.
I wish you all he strenth that is possible to overcome this loss!
With love,
Sis###imported-begin##sis van rossem###imported-end##

December 10, 2009 at 02:37 PM



“ *The news of Oom Beer's passing fills me with sadness, and I extend my deepest sympathy to Aunt Joan and to my cousins and their families. Although we did not see him very often, a visit from Oom Beer was always something we looked forward to. A slimmer version of my father, it is hard to tell them apart on pictures from their youth.*

Oom Beer always meant fun, wit and laughter. With his booming voice and laugh he enlivened the house.

He even had - perhaps unknowingly - an influence on my taste in music. Visiting us in the Netherlands in the early seventies, he brought us one of the first albums by the Allman Brothers, a gift maybe inspired by his sons' preferences at that time. As Steven and Lucas did not seem interested, I claimed the album as my own, the first of many in this genre to this day.

Visiting the Van Rossem family in Medina, I had the privilege of learning that family ties can bridge large distances, and an overseas uncle can be closer to you than you think.

Sadly, I can't be with you in Roswell on Friday, but I know you will draw comfort and strength from each other. Be assured that my thoughts are with you.##imported-begin##Rutger van Rossem##imported-end##

December 10, 2009 at 10:28 AM



“ *My condolences with the loss of Uncle Beer. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

The very few times that I had the honour to meet Oom Beer in The Netherlands he certainly made a big impression on me. It is sad to know that he is no longer with us.##imported-begin##Jens Peter van Rossem ##imported-end##

December 10, 2009 at 10:24 AM



“ Dear Elizabeth, what a wonderful legacy your father left for his loved ones. May the Lord comfort you and your family during this difficult time. You're in my prayers.

Sincerely,

Dianne Brown##imported-begin##Dianne Brown##imported-end##

December 10, 2009 at 09:50 AM



“ My condolences! He was a great guy, quite funny. I cherish some wonderful memories.##imported-begin##Maarten van Rossem and family##imported-end##

December 10, 2009 at 09:40 AM



“ Elizabeth and Family,
We send our sincerest prayers and condolences to you and your family during this time. We also join you in the celebration of his life. "May God comfort and bless you in the days, weeks and months to come"

The Owens Family##imported-begin##Scott Owens and Family##imported-end##

December 10, 2009 at 09:39 AM



“ My heart is heavy with the news of the passing of my Uncle Beer. My sympathies are with my dear Aunt Joan and all my wonderful van Rossem cousins. I have such fond memories of Uncle Beer, particularly as a child. Uncle Beer was always so loving, generous, and fun. Whenever we would visit, he always had a new phrase that he would repeat often and loudly. I can still hear him broadcasting over the intercom at the Medina Ohio home. I am priviledged to have know my uncle.

Jake###imported-begin##Jake Harris###imported-end##

December 09, 2009 at 10:17 PM



“ Elizabeth,
What a rich, wonderful life your father lived! My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time. All the very best,

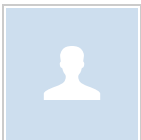
Susan###imported-begin##Susan Mitchell-Ketzes###imported-end##

December 09, 2009 at 10:12 PM



“ Elizabeth, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. I think it is wonderful that you are able to honor your father's life on his birthday. God bless, Leigh Ann###imported-begin##Leigh Ann Little###imported-end##

December 09, 2009 at 05:33 PM



“ May your memories of your father carry you through each day.###imported-begin##Karan Clark###imported-end##

December 09, 2009 at 05:21 PM



“ Oom Beer, as he was lovingly called in the Netherlands, was my favourite uncle.
Every time he came to Holland, it was always big fun and very interesting.
There was my own uncle all the way from the big USA.
He brought us little presents, like American chewing gum.
Hard to believe how special that was to us, but the world was so much different in those days.
Later, as I was able to visit him a couple of times in Florida and Georgia, I was always so surprised by the similarity with my own father.
I wil miss him as my uncle, as an icon and as the last one of the generation of Gerard, Ann, Mary and Jan.
But most of all, I wil keep teh memories of our happy family moments together, the few in the Netherlands and the many in Florida and Georgia.
Lucas###imported-begin##Lucas van Rossem###imported-end##

December 09, 2009 at 04:02 PM



“ My deepest sympathy on your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.###imported-begin##Lynne Bauer###imported-end##

December 09, 2009 at 07:52 AM