Obituary Joe R. Zylstra

Joe R. Zylstra, age 82, passed away Sunday, August 18, 2024, in his Ferndale home. Joe was born August 13, 1942, in Bellingham, Washington, to parents Jelt and Dorothy (May) Zylstra. Joe was the oldest of his siblings Jerry, Janis, Jim, Joan and Jill. He attended Ebenezer Christian School and Lynden Christian School. Joe married Barbara Koetje on June 9, 1967.

Joe owned Zylstra Baker Surveying, Inc. in Colorado specializing in highways, roads, dams, bridges, and airports. He was honored with the Colorado Surveyor of the Year Award. Joe enjoyed woodworking, painting landscapes, fishing, cooking and traveling. He volunteered at the food bank, church, and Ebenezer Christian School.

Joe is survived by his wife of 57 years Barbara.