



Mr. Robert W. "Bob" Kurant

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Robert W. "Bob" Kurant, age 80, passed away Monday, May 11, 2015 after a courageous fight with cancer and lung damage. He was born May 8, 1935 in Muskegon to Edward and Emma Kurant. Bob was a graduate of Muskegon St. Mary's and Western Michigan University. He was the former President of Manisteel, Inc. (Beacon Steel of Muskegon, Manisteel of Manistee, and Alpena Steel and Wire of Alpena, MI) and after retirement was a bus driver for Mona Shores Public Schools. Bob was an all-around athlete and quarterback for St. Mary's High. A shoulder injury ended his playing as defensive half back at Western. After graduation from Western, he quarterbacked the semi pro Muskegon Black Hawks. He also played basketball for the championship U.S. 31 Barbeque team and baseball for Snow White bakery. He loved golfing and fishing with family and friends. Bob was a former officer in the Worlds Trade Club and also a former member of the Muskegon Rotary Club. He was a member of the Muskegon Elks Lodge #274, the Lakeside Vets, and Knights of Columbus, and also bowled and golfed in the Elks league. He leaves behind his wife, the former Beverly Hammond. They would have had their 58th wedding anniversary in July. He also leaves behind a daughter, Kelley Ann (Kevin) Burch of Chicago; sons: James, Robert, and Kyle (Char) Kurant all of Norton Shores. He leaves the joys of his life: granddaughter, Kara; grandsons: Connor and Brett; and great-grandsons: Carter and Riley; and his grand dog "Buster." Bob would have wanted special "Thank You's" to the Muskegon Cancer Center, Mercy 3 West, Great Lakes Specialty, and his classmates of "53" St. Mary's. He was preceded in death by his parents and baby brother, James. THE FUNERAL MASS will be celebrated 11:00 AM Saturday, May 16, 2015, at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church – Marian Chapel with the Rev. Fr. Philip P. Salmonowicz presiding. VISITATION will be one hour prior to the service. MEMORIALS to the American Cancer Society will be appreciated. Share memories



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with the family at their On-line Guest Book at www.sytsemafh.com Arrangements by
The Lee Chapel, 6291 S. Harvey St., (231) 798-1100




Events

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Visitation

 **Saturday**, May 16, 2015


 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET

 **St. Francis deSales Catholic Church - Marian Chapel**

2929 McCracken St., Muskegon MI 49441



Funeral Mass

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Susan Kurant Smith posted:

I believe Bob was a cousin of my dad, Bob Kurant, of Florida. He was Joe and Maggie Kurant' son. Sympathy from the Kurants of Florida. Sue Kurant SMITH

May 19 at 11:17 AM



Don & Maryann Scofield lit a candle in honor of Robert .

Sending our thoughts and prayers to Bev and her family.

May 15 at 5:11 PM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Kurant family.

May 15 at 8:43 AM



Anonymous sent a Basket of Joy to the Kurant family.

May 15 at 7:06 AM



Maribeth Albertsonn posted:

Dearest Bev,It is with such a heavy heart that I send this message...We all just loved "Buffalo Bob".My sons were all so saddened when I told them of his death.....Will never forget all ofthe wonderful times the four of us shared over the years. Always a fun trip to Muskegonto go out with "Undercurrent and St Beverly"...You two were so special to us.Will always remember the last time we met in Muskegon...Chris had arranged for youtwo to be at the Party in the Park as I was to be there with him...What a wonderfulmemory. Please be comforted by so many of those fond events and may God be withyou and comfort you at this difficult time.Blessings to you and your family...You are in my prayers.Love, Maribeth

May 14 at 4:05 PM



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Anonymous sent an Arrive in Style to the Kurant family.



May 14 at 3:02 PM



Tom Golden posted:

Bev, Janice called this afternoon to let me know of Bob's passing. I am sorry to hear of your loss. I was very glad to see you and Bob at my mother's burial and the short visit we had. When I think of you guys I always remember that red and white Ford convertible and what a cool car that was and Bob was such a cool guy. I am glad that I had a chance to know you guys when you lived on Fifth St. Tom Golden

May 14 at 2:40 PM



Gwen & Glenn Russcher posted:

Bev, I am so deeply sorry to hear about Bob. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. May God give you peace and comfort at this most difficult time. Love, Gwen & Glenn

May 14 at 1:46 PM



Janice Golden Kunkle posted:

Beverly and Family, I am so sorry to hear of Bob's death. He was an honest and good man. Very funny and fun!! I remember your wedding, living on Fifth St., twice, when he worked at Ken&Bee's and I even remember when you got pinned, when he was still at Western. Last Monday I looked up your old addresses in my mother's old book. I had been thinking about you all weekend. Why, I don't know. I will pray for your comfort and know your family and all the wonderful memories will keep you going. I called Tom in Texas to let him know. I will be in Muskegon in August and maybe the end of May. I will try to get a phone number or address for you. I am on Facebook now (only way to keep up with kids & Grands) If one of your kids will friend me, I can get your numbers from them. All my love and from all the Golden's. Janice Kunkle

May 14 at 1:10 PM



Patricia Strobel posted:

Bev and family So sorry for your loss, Bob was a classmate and friend to me over the years at St Mary's High, he will be missed by all of the Class of 1953. God be with you and yours.

May 14 at 4:57 AM



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MB

Mike Burns posted:

Bob was always a easy guy to get to know and he would joke around a lot. He lovethe outdoors was give help and advice to those who knew him. He will be missed.He now in God's Hands.Mike Burns (class of 1953)

May 13 at 7:46 AM

MB

Mike Burns posted:

Bob was always easy going and helpful to others. He was good at joking around andhe love the outdoors. We all who knew him, will also miss him..Mike Burns (class of 53)

May 13 at 7:26 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Robert by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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