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Mr. Robert I. Green, age 67, passed away Friday, May 28, 2010 after a short battle with cancer. He was born July 1, 1942 in Muskegon to Irvin and Evelyn (Forester) Green. He married the former Shirley M. Smith in Muskegon on November 9, 1963. He was employed as a Firefighter for the Muskegon Fire Department for 32 years until his retirement in 2000. Bob was an avid fisherman, hunter and volunteered for the Muskegon Fire Department Tee-off Against Burns golf outing, the restoration of the Grand Trunk car ferry dock and various school functions for his grandchildren. He was also an active member of the Lakeside Neighborhood Association. SURVIVORS include: his wife, Shirley; 2 daughters, Janet (Douglas) Bluhm of Norton Shores and Traci (Chris) Wilks of Muskegon; 5 grandchildren, Joslyn and Evan Bluhm, Bailey, Brook and Brandee Wilks; sister-in-law, Sally (Dick) Pleimling of Muskegon; brother-in-law, Eddie Smith; his aunts and uncle, Art and JoeAnn Forester of Muskegon and Laura B. Golding of Mission, TX; special friends, Brad (Melissa) Vanderberg, Annie (Dave) Slagh, Paul (Helen) Watson and Ellouise Heiftje all of Muskegon; and also, his very special companion, Ladybug. A MEMORIAL SERVICE will be held at the Grand Trunk Car Ferry dock at McCracken St. and Lakeshore Dr. on Wednesday, June 2, 2010 at 12:00 noon with Greg Roberts officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to: M.F.D. Tee-off Against Burns or the Lakeside Neighborhood Association. Sign the on-line guestbook at www.sytsemafh.com. Arrangements are being handled by

The Lee Chapel

Sytsema Funeral Homes, Inc.

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Anonymous posted:

So Sorry Shirley for your loss of Bob. His kids and grandkids will miss him dearly. Try to focus on the good times--remember the time on the cruise when the guys refused to dress with a toga, so Shirley and I went to dinner with a sheet wrapped around us, if that would have been part of the "gong" show, we certainly would have been gonged...Take care, know that our thoughts and wishes and prayers are with you. Tim and Gayle Rosema###imported-begin###Tim and Gayle Rosema###imported-end##

June 3 at 11:27 AM



Anonymous posted:

we will miss you and hope you are at peace and no pain and the guardian angel of your family###imported-begin###john, cindy and kelsey ogren###imported-end##

June 3 at 9:11 AM



Anonymous posted:

Shirley, Janet and Traci and families, We are so sorry to hear of Bob's passing. What a shock. We didn't know he had been in the hospital. The memorial was so nice. The Ferry dock looks so nice. We love it down there. I couldn't stay though, my dad is just out of hospital and had to get back to help him out. We love you guys and everything you have done to the lakeside community. I really miss living there. Take care. All our love, Marty and Mari Hughes Tiffany and Kirsten###imported-begin###Marty and Mari Hughes###imported-end##

June 3 at 3:06 AM



Anonymous posted:

Our thoughts are with you all.###imported-begin###Mike, Amy, Ethan and Jax Medema###imported-end##

June 2 at 5:08 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Shirley and family, So sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.###imported-begin###Terry & Annette Tetzlaff###imported-end##

June 2 at 7:50 AM



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Anonymous posted:

Dear Shirley & family. So very sorry for your loss. Bob was a great guy. We ran into him often down by the Silversides watching the fishermen & exchanged many Lakeside stories. What a great time that was. Hold on to your memories, & let them guide you during this time of sadness. You're in our thoughts & prayers.##imported-begin##Jerry & Jean McKenzie##imported-end##

June 2 at 6:52 AM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Family, we are deeply sorry for your loss and wish you time to heal and continue to carry on in the the work that your husband, father, friend, and all the Bob was to all that knew him. Let the timeless wisdom within you carry you through your grief to an open heart. Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal. In loving memory of Bob. God Speed.##imported-begin##John & Betty Moen##imported-end##

June 2 at 5:51 AM



Anonymous posted:

Aunt Shirley, Janet, and Traci, So sorry to hear about the passing of Uncle Bob. Let the great memories carry you through the difficult times. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Jennifer and John Lambert Nancy and Bill Medema##imported-begin##Jennifer Lambert##imported-end##

June 1 at 5:25 PM



Anonymous posted:

Thinking of you & extending heartfelt sympathy. Mike & Joni##imported-begin##Michael & Joan Chidester##imported-end##

June 1 at 11:20 AM



Anonymous posted:

Shirley and Family So sorry for your loss. I remember going to your home and picking out flowers and Bob helping to carry them to the car. He will be missed.##imported-begin##shirley Vasser & Stan Paczosa##imported-end##

June 1 at 7:51 AM



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Anonymous posted:

Shirley and TracyJust wanted you both to know that my thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of sorrow. Bob was a very lucky man to have such a great family and you are a very lucky family to have had such a great person in your life. In just the short time I cared for him, he brought laughter to my day and was a joy to care for.I send you all my condolences.Jody Case RN##imported-begin##Jody Case RN Mercy CRCU##imported-end##

June 1 at 6:32 AM



Anonymous posted:

Shirley, I just wanted to express my condolences. I was am sad to hear of Bob's passing. You are in my prayers.##imported-begin##John Cox##imported-end##

June 1 at 6:09 AM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Shirley,We are so sorry for the loss of your beloved husband and friend, Bob. You both have been rays of sunshine and energy at our many years of Grand Trunk events. We are so grateful for everything you and Bob have done at Grand Trunk and for the kindness you have shown us.We will dearly miss Bob, and pray that God will comfort and heal your heart.You are in our hearts and prayers,God's BlessingsLove Ronace Hogan, Janelle Duffey, Amy Brewer, Cheyene Orr and all our Steele Students.##imported-begin##Ronace Hogan and Steele School##imported-end##

June 1 at 5:45 AM



Anonymous posted:

Bob we will miss your smiling face. It was always nice to see you and Shirley down at the channel.##imported-begin##Jack and Suzi Sidock##imported-end##

June 1 at 4:25 AM



Anonymous posted:

Sorry for your loss. Bob will be missed.##imported-begin##Thomas Kroll and Carol##imported-end##

May 31 at 2:04 PM



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Anonymous posted:

We are sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Cecil, Marge,& Jamie Lamb##imported-end##

May 31 at 1:51 PM



Anonymous posted:

Shirley,You and your family are in our prayers. We know Bob has helped so many people and Lakeside has lost a very good man. We are so sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Marilyn Rafferty (Roy Rafferty Family)##imported-end##

May 31 at 9:19 AM



Anonymous posted:

Bobber - You were a great man, father, grandfather and mentor. I learned a lot from you. Your stories were one of a kind! You were not only a father-in-law to me, you were a great friend. I knew I could go to you any time I was having issues. You will be missed "Captain Crow". I hope you have meet up with the loved ones that went before you and some of my loved ones. Give my dad a big hug for me! I Love You Bob and you will be missed! - Chris##imported-begin##Chris Wilks##imported-end##

May 31 at 7:47 AM



Anonymous posted:

Shirley & family,Our thoughts and prayers are with you.The Harding Avenue George Family(Miko, Mary Lou, Janet, Rick, Edna, John, and Kimi)##imported-begin##Janet (George) Schultz##imported-end##

May 31 at 7:08 AM



Anonymous posted:

To the Green Family - My heart goes out to you in your time of sorrow.##imported-begin##Kathy Biros##imported-end##

May 31 at 4:23 AM



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Anonymous posted:

My deepest sympathies to the entire Green Family. My thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Kathy Mars##imported-end##

May 30 at 6:23 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Traci and family,Your hackley OB Family and friends are thinking about you at this difficult time.##imported-begin##Hackley OB Department##imported-end##

May 30 at 3:32 PM



Anonymous posted:

All my sympathies to Bob's family and friends. I have fond memories of Bob playing catch with the football with me and other kids from the neighborhood and telling us stories from his days as an all state RB on the Big Reds when he was working at old firehouse #6 at Harrison and Denmark. I also want you to know that I appreciate that he looked in on my grandma (Ruby B) who lived across the alley from him on Minor. He would plow her snow and I know helped her out many times through the years before she passed away.Scott C. Wade##imported-begin##Scott C. Wade##imported-end##

May 30 at 1:03 PM



Anonymous posted:

To the Green family~ We're so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts & prayers are with all of you at this time.##imported-begin##Harold & Linda Hardin##imported-end##

May 30 at 12:46 PM



Anonymous posted:

Are thoughts and prayers are with the family!##imported-begin##The Chapmans##imported-end##

May 30 at 6:32 AM



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Anonymous posted:

Bob, you were one of a kind. I always looked forward to one of your many "stories" you had to tell. After football games, to hear your praise or even getting after me after missing blocks were something that I took to heart and remembered your advice when I was in that same situation afterwards and made for damn sure I didn't try to make the same mistake again. Shirley, Janet and Traci, Mindi and I send our love and condolences. He was a great man and will greatly be missed. May God bless you and your's in this time of loss. RIP Bob.##imported-begin##Eric, Mindi, Matisen and Brysen Hardin##imported-end##

May 29 at 8:05 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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