



Robert L. White

December 28, 1938 - November 7, 2018

It is with deep and heavy sadness that we announce the death of Robert Leroy White, who passed on November 7, 2018, in Troy Beaumont Hospital. Bob was born in Detroit in 1938, son of Chester and Irene (Krym) White, moving to the Upper Peninsula and living in Chassell, Michigan for most of his childhood. He learned the importance of hard work during those young years and would continue to demonstrate that work ethic throughout his life. Bob loved to play sports, especially basketball where he played on the Chassell Panthers 1956-1957 Class D State championship basketball team. He proudly served in the U.S. Army from 1962 to 1964. He married the love of his life, Nancy Tahtinen, September 4, 1965 and they moved from the U.P. to the Troy area. He worked in construction and drove gravel train proudly serving his union brothers as a union steward for many years. He owned a snow plowing business, but he always made sure his kids shoveled his driveway by hand. Bob will be remembered as the greatest husband, dad, papa and friend that ever lived. He could dance the entire night away with the love his life, Nancy; he would do anything to make sure his kids smiled and knew they were loved. He cherished his grandchildren more than life itself and would have done anything to have one more conversation with them or see their smiling faces. He was a friend to anyone and lived a life where "No one is a stranger". He could tell stories for hours with a smile on his face and a twinkle in his beautiful blue eyes. He loved to play jokes on his friends, laugh often and much and made us all realize that the simple things in life matter the most. We

will miss his jokes, infectious smile, and his kind and compassionate spirit.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Nancy; his daughter, Michelle and son-in-law, Paul Cote; his daughter, Debbie and son-in-law, Greg Gasko; his son, Kevin; grandchildren Joe, Austin, Lexy, Zach and Sydney; his brother, John and sister-in-law Faye White; niece, Theresa; nephews, Brian and Jim. He was preceded in death by his father, Chester; his mother Irene; his sister Marlene and brother-in-law, Francis Belleville.

The family will receive friends and relatives on Saturday, November 24, 2018 from 9 am until 9:30 am Funeral Mass at St. Anastasia Church located at 4571 John R, Troy Michigan, 48085. Bob will be buried with military honors at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly, Michigan at a later date. Expressions of sympathy may be shared with the family @ www.wasikfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Road
Holly, MI 48442

Previous Events

Gathering in Church

NOV **24**. 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM (ET)

St. Anastasia Church
4571 John R.
Troy, MI

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

BB

“ Nancy we were so saddened to hear the news of Bob's passing. We have many good memories of both of you when we all lived in the park. Our deepest sympathy to you and all the family. The Butchers, Clines and Kahlers

Beverly Butcher - November 24, 2018 at 12:23 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert L. White.



November 23, 2018 at 01:24 PM

MS

“ My heartfelt condolences to Nancy & family. I remember Bob from back in the 50s. We had family friends who were neighbors to his family. They were Ed & Elsie Olson on Hamaar Avenue in Chassell. They had a large family & there was always something to do while visiting them. That's when I was introduced to Bob. In the later years, I met you, Nancy, through Laverne, Evey & Ruth. I'm praying that you will be comforted & feel the presence of our Lord, who promises never to leave or forsake us. In Christian Love,
Mary Anne Storm, Lake Worth, Florida

Mary Anne Storm - November 19, 2018 at 02:18 PM

VN

“ Our sympathy to you, Nancy, and your family, Thinking of you. Love and prayers, Vi and Bob Norkol

vi Norkol - November 19, 2018 at 10:26 AM

AS

“ *Our deepest sympathy to and your family, Nancy. May you find comfort in the love of Jesus and those who love you. Blessings from Tim and Arlene Simula*

Arlene Simula - November 17, 2018 at 12:09 PM

DK

“ *Aloha,*

Whitey and family.

We are both sorry to hear of the loss of your brother/husband.

We remember him, always with a smile and a joke.

May God bless.

Den and Vicki

Dennis and Vicki Korpi - November 14, 2018 at 12:57 PM

SR

“ *The White's have been like part of the family, since my sister, Robin, and Michelle, and later Jennifer, became lifelong friend. I have always enjoyed spending time with them. Mr. White will always be remembered for his huge smile and twinkling eyes, which seemed full of mischief. He had such a contagious laugh. I know how much he loved Mrs. White , his children and their families. My heart is sad for his family and friends; however, I truly believe Mr. White is in Heaven, dancing a jig, laughing and smiling , healed from any illnesses, and watching over his family. I am praying for all of you. Sending you my love, hugs, and kisses, Susan Russell xxoo..*

Susan russell - November 13, 2018 at 12:31 PM