



Robert Flowers

September 30, 1955 - October 10, 2022

Robert "Bob" John Flowers age, 67, of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan passed away October 10, 2022, peacefully at his son's home.

Bob was born on September 30, 1955, in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan to the late Merlin Flowers and Mary Cartwright (Ojibway). He joined the United States Navy immediately after graduating from Sault High School. While stationed in San Diego, CA, he met his wife, Debra, whom he married in December 1977. After he was honorably discharged, he worked in multiple settings before returning to school at Lake Superior State University and subsequently joining the telecommunications department at the Sault Tribe, where he worked for the remainder of his career. Bob's 4 greatest loves were his faith, his family, cooking, and people. He loved to learn and share knowledge and could never understand if someone didn't want to hear a "better way" of doing things, because he always did. He perpetually talked to strangers and wasn't afraid to look silly or strange to brighten someone's day. Whether in the kitchen, tying flies or fixing a broken appliance, he loved to experiment and tinker and saw value in the attempt whether he created a masterpiece or learned from the failure. He had so many hobbies and interests, it's most accurate to say he loved life and anyone who would join him on the journey. His children and grandchildren brought him particular joy and many children of friends and family also held a piece of his heart. He lived a life of service within the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and

throughout his daily interactions.

Bob is survived by his wife Debra; 4 children: Jessica (Roland) Cvengros of Denver, CO, Troy (Jeni) Flowers of Helena, MT, Eric Flowers of Sault Ste. Marie, MI, and Lisa (Richard) Barney of Grand Rapids, MI; and 5 grandchildren: Katie, Jackson and Parker Flowers and Makenna and Adele Barney. He is also survived by his siblings: Chery Flowers, Dawn (Mark) Sundstrom, and Sandy (Mike) Gallagher, all of Sault Ste. Marie; many beloved nieces and nephews, and his church family. He was preceded in death by his parents, Merlin Flowers and Mary Cartwright, step-father Robert Cartwright, brother James Flowers, and grandson, Allen Barney.

Services will be held on Saturday October 29, 2022, at Niigaanagiizhik, the Sault Tribe Cultural Center at 11:00 AM.

Tribute Wall

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“ Our deepest sympathy in the loss of Bob. Frank & I were scheduled to fly out to see him and he past 3 days before our flight. Our hearts were broken, that we didn't get that chance to see him. Bob was a good man and a great friend to Frank. The past few months especially they would call one another or text and talk about the good ole days. He will be fondly remembered. Some people come and go in our lives and others stay and leave footprints on our hearts in which we will never be the same. That was Bob. He was a very special guy and always enjoying life. So thankful for the opportunity to know him and call him our friend. Our love to all of you family members!

Shelley I Sayer - October 31, 2022 at 12:00 AM

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“ Bob was the most loving, peaceful, joyful spirit; the world has lost a good man, a loving father, and a wonderful brother. He will be laid to rest across the road from where he grew up, where we all played, and that gives me great comfort.



Dawn M Sundstrom - October 27, 2022 at 12:00 AM

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“ My deepest condolences to Bob's family.

Jeff Gaus - October 26, 2022 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our deepest sympathies to the entire family. Your description of Bob was perfect, always friendly and with a big smile on his face.

Alan and Anne Suggitt



Anne Suggitt - October 26, 2022 at 12:00 AM

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“ He was my uncle bob, I didn't get to see or talk to him much as an adult and I definitely regret that. But he always held a huge place in my heart. He taught me how to use my son as a pillow, and how to share with others. He was always splitting peanuts in half so we could eat have a side and we would crack them open and eat then together! One of my favorite things about him, is that without him I wouldn't have the passion I do for cooking like I do now! He was always encouraging me to try new things and help him in the kitchen! He will forever go down in history as the king of snow forts, and I promise my kids will get to play in the same ones he made for me. Love you so much Uncle bob! 😊



Tyler - October 25, 2022 at 12:00 AM