



Robert Horace Goff

August 25, 1944 - February 16, 2016

Robert Horace Goff, age 71, of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan passed away Tuesday afternoon, February 16, 2016 at his home. Bob was born August 25, 1944 in Suffern, New York to the late Horace and Alma (Davis) Goff. He was a graduate of Spring Valley High School in Spring Valley, New York. He continued his education at Bradley University (Peoria, IL) where he played football and earned his Bachelors of Science Degree. On June 29, 1985, he married Melissa Welch in Hurley, New York. Recently, he became very involved with politics. He was the area coordinator for the Ted Cruz Campaign in Chippewa County. Bob never met a stranger, he enjoyed being helpful to others. Bob loved spending time with the family and his grandchildren. Bob had a brilliant football mind and he loved to talk about anything to do with football. Known to many as "Coach", Bob bragged about being on a football field since he was ten years old. He coached hundreds of athletes and led his 1974 Monroe-Woodbury football team to win the state championship, of which he was very proud. In 1985, Bob's Messalonskee High School Track team came in 2nd place in the state finals. But his favorite athletes to coach on and off the field were his 3 boys and 4 daughters. Over the last few years, he has loved reconnecting with many former students and athletes and reliving his glory days through them. When Bob was 48, he trusted the Lord as his Savior, and as he perfectly put it, he knew that God had been looking for him longer than he had been looking for God. He will be deeply missed by his surviving family and friends until we see him again. Bob is survived by his wife:

Melissa; his children: Rebecca Goff of Maine, Brian Goff of Florida, Robyn (Shannon) Goff -Sackaloo of Maine, Colleen (Caleb) Rader of Pickford, MI, Joshua Goff of Colorado, Megan (Joshua) Bleiler of Wisconsin, and Corporal Mathew Goff of California; and 8 grandchildren: Soren Goff, Abigail Goff, Kelsey Rader, Wyatt Rader, Tytis Bleiler, Noah Bleiler, Riece Rader and Baby Girl Bleiler. He is also survived by his mother: Alma Clarice (Goff) Morrison; and his uncle: Bill (Peggy) Downs of New York. Bob was preceded in death by his father, who was a Staff Sergeant in the United States Army and was killed in action during WWII. A funeral service will be held at 11:30 AM on Friday, February 19, 2016 at Fundamental Baptist Church with Pastor Tim Rader officiating. Friends may gather at the church from 10:00 AM until the time of the service. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be left to Camp Canaanland to be used for camper scholarships.

Tribute Wall

DH

“ *Our condolences to the Goff family during this sad time. Rebecca, our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Dan and Nancy Holliday - February 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ *All of us at Rodolf & Todd who work closely with Rebecca extend our condolences over your loss. We hope that the memories you have of Coach Bob will carry you through this time of grief.*

Karen Callahan - February 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM