



Robert Ray Erwin

August 29, 1936 - February 11, 2015

Robert Ray Erwin, age 78 of DeMotte, IN, passed away on Wednesday, February 11, 2015, at Methodist Hospital Southlake in Merrillville, IN. He was born August 29, 1936, in Gary, IN, to Robert and Georgina (Roehm) Erwin.

Bob had many fond memories of growing up in the Miller Beach area of Gary, IN, graduating from William A. Wirt High School in 1954, and going on to attend Indiana State University. Bob married Marian Kathleen Lewis on May 31, 1958, in Gary, IN. He retired in 1999, after 44 years of service, from U.S. Steel where he worked as a furnace operator in the 160-210 Plate Mill. Bob liked traveling, sports, old cars, and was a great story teller.

Bob is survived by his wife Marian; his daughters, Kathleen (James) Thomason of DeMotte, IN and Cindy Erwin-Hoberg (Shawn) of Phoenix, AZ; a daughter-in-law Shirlee Scholten of DeMotte, IN; his brother Richard (Louise) Erwin of Lebanon, IN; and grandchildren, Jennifer Thomason-Fabini (Scott) of Portland, OR, Christine Thomason of St Joseph, MI, Ben Erwin of DeMotte, IN, Jake Erwin of DeMotte, IN, and Avery Royer of Phoenix, AZ.

Bob was preceded in death by his son, Robert Lewis Erwin, his parents, and his sister, Susan Arden.

Friends may call on Sunday, February 15, 2015, from 3 to 7 PM at Jackson

Funeral Service of DeMotte, IN. Funeral services will be held at 11 AM on Monday, February 16, 2015, at Jackson Funeral Service of DeMotte, IN. with Pastor Mark Fernhough officiating. Burial will be in the Holland Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Unity Hospice of Northwest Indiana.

Cemetery Details

Holland Cemetery

Holland Cemetery
DeMotte, IN 46310

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **15**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Service of DeMotte
200 3rd Street, SW
P.O. Box 681
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Service

FEB **16**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Jackson Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert Ray Erwin



Jackson Funeral Chapels - February 13, 2015 at 03:51 PM

CW

I love the photo of Robert with Avery, very special memories for sure!

cindy wojtowicz - February 13, 2015 at 09:18 PM

SH

Neat video!

Scott Hogberg - February 15, 2015 at 12:10 PM

SP

“ *Sorry to hear of your loss. I was friends with Cindy in Indiana. She often spoke fondly of her dad.*
Sharon Gunason Pottinger

Sharon Gunason Pottinger - February 16, 2015 at 04:08 PM

SH

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Marian, Kathy, my wife Cindy, and the rest of the family as you mourn the loss of your loved one. I am thankful I got to get to know Bob over the last few years as he welcomed me into the family. I especially loved to hear his stories about the steel mill and his trip to Germany.

As you grieve this profound loss let yourself cry knowing each tear is a note of love rising to the heavens for your husband, father, and loved one.

Shawn Hogberg - February 15, 2015 at 11:24 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert Ray Erwin.



February 14, 2015 at 11:06 PM

MF

“ Mr. Jason Lombardo & Family purchased the Encanted Cottage for the family of Robert Ray Erwin.



Mr. Jason Lombardo & Family - February 14, 2015 at 12:07 PM



“ *Richard Jr, Robin, & Collin & Randi purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert Ray Erwin.*



Richard Jr, Robin, & Collin & Randi - February 14, 2015 at 09:29 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Robert Ray Erwin.*



February 14, 2015 at 08:22 AM



“ *59 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Jackson Funeral Chapels - February 13, 2015 at 03:32 PM

SH

“ *Our thoughts are with the family, may he rest in peace.*

Scott, Sandy, Dan, Laura, Susan and Scotty

Scott Hogberg - February 13, 2015 at 02:28 PM

CE

“ *"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. In my father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would not have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you." John 14:1-2. You will be missed, daddy. Love, xo, Cindy*

Cindy Erwin - February 12, 2015 at 11:03 PM