



Robert E. McLaughlin

May 18, 1948 - January 27, 2017

Robert E. McLaughlin, age 68, of Andrews, died at 8:15 a.m. Friday, January 27, 2017 at his home.

Visitation will be from 3 - 7 p.m. Tuesday, January 31, 2017 at Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, Indiana. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, February 1, 2017 at Bailey-Love Mortuary with Rev. Steve Stull officiating. There will be one hour of visitation prior to the service. Burial will be in Gardens of Memory in Huntington County with military graveside rites performed by VFW Post #2689 of Huntington.

Preferred memorials are to Cancer Services for Huntington County, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, Indiana, 46750.

Robert was born on May 18, 1948 in Huntington, the son of Wilbur and Wanda (Weaver) McLaughlin. He graduated from Huntington Township High School in 1966 and served in the United States Army as a Sergeant in communications during the Vietnam War. He studied electronics in trade school and married Becky Young-O'Connell on March 9, 1969 in Huntington. He later remarried to Wrethia E. (Hall) Peters on May 15, 1976 in Marion. Robert worked for Indiana Bell, AT&T, SBC, and Ameritech phone companies and was an American Heritage Tour bus driver for nine years. He was head of umpires at Gemmer Field; he also umpired high school and college women's fast pitch softball. He

coached Huntington Running Deers Fast Pitch Softball. He loved to play fast pitch softball, golf, wallyball, volleyball, croquet, and corn hole. He enjoyed playing outside with his grandkids, and he was always wanting to start a fire in the pit for hotdogs and marshmallows for them.

Survivors include his wife - Wrethia E. Peters-McLaughlin of Andrews; his mother - Wanda McLaughlin of Huntington; three sons - Kevin (Brenda) McLaughlin of Wichita, Kansas, Jack L. (Librada) Peters of Chester, Virginia, and Aaron R. McLaughlin of Fort Wayne; two daughters - Julie L. McBride-DeLeon of Convoy, Ohio and Bev A. (Ben) Follin of Jefferson, Ohio; his first wife - Becky Young-O'Connell of Decatur; a brother - Wayne (Nancy) McLaughlin of Huntington; a sister – Jeanette (Tom) Ebersole of Huntington; 17 grandchildren, and a great grandchild. His father precedes him in death.

Cemetery Details

Gardens of Memory

11201 S. Marion Road 35
Marion, IN 46952

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 31. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary
35 West Park Drive
Huntington, IN 46750
(260) 356-1710
wecare@baileylove.com
<https://www.baileylove.com>

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FEB 1. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert E. McLaughlin



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - January 31, 2017 at 12:29 PM



“ I will never forget the gatherings when I was young. I always looked forward to them and had so much fun. I will always remember Bob's deep voice lol. My deepest sympathies and prayers to all of you. I love you all. Pamela (Hathaway) Bertalon

Pamela Bertalon - February 02, 2017 at 05:49 AM



“ So sorry for your loss. Bob was a wonderful person and was glad we had the opportunity to be able to play softball with him. He was truly a great guy and will definately be missed. Know you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.
John and Treva flemming

Treva Flemming - February 01, 2017 at 09:54 AM

TN

“ Thoughts and prayers for the family



Tim and Renee, Andy Ness - February 01, 2017 at 09:06 AM

JP

“ During my rehearsal dinner my grandfather told me he left work telling his boss that he was not gonna miss my wedding and if he didn't let him go that he walk out. Every Christmas me and my grandfather would watch home alone and quote the part " ya dirty filthy animal" and say this to each other and that was our nickname to each other.

jacob peters - February 01, 2017 at 02:53 AM

TS

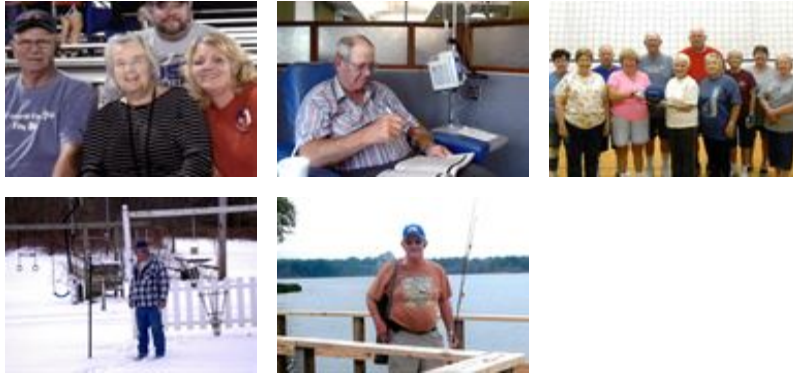
“ To the family of Bob McLaughlin my thoughts and prayers are with you.



Terry E Scher - January 31, 2017 at 10:43 PM



“ 26 files added to the album Life Tributes



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - January 31, 2017 at 12:26 PM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Robert E. McLaughlin.



January 31, 2017 at 12:14 PM

JP

“ Aaron, So sorry to hear about your dad. We had some fun years together at Gemmer field. I'll be thinking about you in this difficult time.

Jeff and Cindy Phillips

Jeff Phillips - January 31, 2017 at 10:05 AM

AG

“ Have donated 50 dollars to St Jude's in Bob's honor S&A

Andy Glab - January 31, 2017 at 08:53 AM

LB

“ *Linda Bueker lit a candle in memory of Robert E. McLaughlin*



Linda Bueker - January 31, 2017 at 08:51 AM

LP


Dear grandpa Bob, thank you for you be there for us all the time we will miss you Love Jack & Laly

laly Peters - January 31, 2017 at 10:56 AM

AG

“ *Bob, Was a good guy. Said what was on his mind and what he believed and I respect than in anyone with the guts to do it. Just a good person. Will be missed. Goodbye old friend. Hope to meet again.*
Andy & Sheala

Andy Glab - January 31, 2017 at 08:35 AM


Nicholas
McLaughlin

“ *Nicholas McLaughlin lit a candle in memory of Robert E. McLaughlin*



Nicholas McLaughlin - January 30, 2017 at 09:31 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert E. McLaughlin.*



January 30, 2017 at 09:27 PM



“ *Bob...what fun we had on our bus trips. I know you enjoyed traveling as much as I did. Thanks for the memories. ..Pam*

Pamela Crone - January 30, 2017 at 06:29 PM



“ *I've worked with Bob at Excellent Adventures, Star of America and American Heritage. We had several great trips and was definitely one of my best driver friends. Great guy, awesome with the customers, and very professional as a driver. You will definitely be missed my friend.*

Joe Medley - January 30, 2017 at 05:32 PM



“ *The staff of the Henderson Memorial Public Library purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Robert E. McLaughlin.*



The staff of the Henderson Memorial Public Library - January 30, 2017 at 11:37 AM



“ Dear Bob, thank you for being a remarkable dad and grandpa. It breaks my heart to say goodbye, so instead, "Until we meet again."



Bev Follin - January 29, 2017 at 01:54 PM



“ Kevin and Sheri Jarrett and James and Iva Peters purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Robert E. McLaughlin.



Kevin and Sheri Jarrett and James and Iva Peters - January 29, 2017 at 11:37 AM



“ Tina Staggs lit a candle in memory of Robert E. McLaughlin



Tina Staggs - January 28, 2017 at 04:21 PM



“ Annie McClain-Overholser lit a candle in memory of Robert E. McLaughlin



annie McClain-Overholser - January 28, 2017 at 04:17 PM

AM

Bob was always friendly and kind to everyone who came his way in high school. He will be missed .

annie McClain-Overholser - January 28, 2017 at 04:19 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Robert E. McLaughlin.*



January 28, 2017 at 03:56 PM

SH

“ *Dear Cousin Wrethia,
I am so sorry for your loss. I know Bob has always been your best buddy and this will be a tough road for you, but we will be praying for you and your family that the Lord will comfort you as only he can do.
Scott Hawkins*

Scott Hawkins - January 28, 2017 at 02:53 PM

TN

“ *Thoughts and prayers for his family*



Tim and Renee, Andy Ness - January 28, 2017 at 12:10 PM

SB

“ So sorry for you loss. Bob was a good man! -Steve & Ramonda Bickel.

Steve and Ramonda Bickel - January 28, 2017 at 11:10 AM

 Julie Deleon

“ Julie Deleon lit a candle in memory of Robert E. McLaughlin



Julie Deleon - January 28, 2017 at 09:49 AM

RW

“ Wretha,
Many years have passed since the good old softball days. Our thoughts and prayers for you and your family.

Rick and Nancy Winter - January 28, 2017 at 08:08 AM

GT

“ I have many great memories of my cousin Bob. Our prayers, love and condolences to his family.
Gaylene and Jerry Tomenko

Gaylene Tomenko - January 28, 2017 at 08:06 AM

KM

“ Sincere condolences to the McLaughlin family. May God bless you with amazing memories, provide comfort and understanding.

Kevin, Kerri, and Brigs Moore



kevin moore - January 28, 2017 at 08:01 AM

CF

“ We are sorry to hear of Bob's passing. Blessed to have been a classmate at HTHS with Bob for many years. May God comfort and Bless you all at this time of loss.
Carol (Sandlin) & John Falk



Carol (Sandlin) Falk - January 28, 2017 at 07:42 AM

DD

“ Bob was very special as a mentor in my officiating! I learned so much from his calm and relaxed approach to officiating! I'm starting my 18th year and still and always will remember Bob's lessons!
God bless you all, Bob will live always in my memories!

Dave Dillon - January 28, 2017 at 06:03 AM

Mark
Dimond

“ *Mark Dimond lit a candle in memory of Robert E. McLaughlin*



Mark Dimond - January 28, 2017 at 05:36 AM

JF

“ *Joe & Natalie Fouts lit a candle in memory of Robert E. McLaughlin*



Joe & Natalie Fouts - January 27, 2017 at 09:05 PM



“ *Amazing Arboricola was purchased for the family of Robert E. McLaughlin.*



January 27, 2017 at 07:58 PM

TS

“ *When I read that Bob had passed,...I was in shock!! He and his wife were a BIG part of my life!! (The Gemmer Years)!! Together we watched our children play and grow up!! He is embedded in my heart and soul!! I am Very lucky for that!! He was such an awesome individual!! So honest, bold, and yet caring!! As I set here, hardly able to see what I am typing,...I keep thinking of his laugh!!....and that way he walked!! Man I am going to miss the Big guy!! What a Great family!
May God help them thru their time of loss!!*

Teddy Saunders - January 27, 2017 at 06:52 PM