



Robert J. Shurlow

June 9, 1944 - June 24, 2015

Robert J. Shurlow, 71, of Cadillac, died peacefully in his home after a brief illness on Jun 24, 2015. Mr. Shurlow was born Jun 9, 1944 in Edmore, Michigan to Robert M. Shurlow and Jane A. Thomas.

He was a football and basketball star at Montabella High School before he honorably served his country for four years in the United States Navy. Shortly after he returned to Michigan he met and married his forever wife -- Karen E. Maddox on August 21, 1973 and she preceded him in death on Sept. 28, 2009.

Bob was a respected telephone expert at several private telephone companies all over the state of Michigan. He worked in Carson City and Kingsley before he was very happily employed by Kaleva Telephone Company as a Plant Manager for 21 years and retired in 2014.

Bob was adored, admired and respected by his children, was a friend to everyone he met and was affectionately known as 'Bob', 'Bobby', 'Daddy', 'Pops', 'Papa', 'Uncle Bob', (and the list goes on because he always made a special connection with each individual by inviting their own special name for him.)

He was an active member of the American Legion and really enjoyed the burgers he shared with great friends on Wednesday nights. He was a golf enthusiast and had the patience of a saint to play with those of us that did not have the same skills he had in the game.

His biggest passion was providing unconditional love and support to his family and friends. Bob and Karen were married for a deep 36 years and he created an extraordinary emotional bond with his wife, while he provided unprecedented loving care during her lengthy terminal illness. Daddy also guided his children to success while imparting endless loving memories of cheering them on at every sporting event, camping, boating, and just laughing at his silly jokes. Papa was the best of the best, winning the hearts of all ten of his grandchildren practically before they were born. And everyone who has ever spoken of him has only kind words to say. He was an amazing man.

Survivors include his four children: Kimberly K. Shurlow of Miramar Beach, FL, Robert J. Shurlow, II of Marinette, WI and Charles F. Shurlow of Menominee, MI, and Candace L. (Michael) Smith of Bellaire, MI; ten grandchildren: Anthony Shurlow, Danielle Shurlow, Anna May Shurlow, Riley Holik, Sarah Kay Shurlow, Jared Holik, Delanie Munn, Savannah Shurlow, Tucker Smith and Leo Shurlow; and two his sisters: Sally Shurlow and Judy Shurlow-Dowell both of Edmore.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by two brothers: Bill & Tom Shurlow and a sister, Pat VanWagner.

Funeral services will be held 1:00 p.m. Monday June 29, 2015 at the Peterson Funeral Home in Cadillac with Mr. Michael Smith officiating. Friends may meet the family Sunday from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the funeral home. His final resting place will be Maple Hill Cemetery in Cadillac.

Memorial contributions may be made to C.A.S.A. An online guestbook is available at www.petersonfh.com.

Tribute Wall

FL

“ I met Bob when we were in Navy. He come with one weekend in Me.i have talked with him a few time in the past.

Frank Lailer - November 28, 2016 at 02:16 PM

DT

“ Our deepest condolences to the entire family. May God bless you with peace and strength during this time.

David & Reva Tripp, Denton, TX - July 01, 2015 at 10:44 AM

BW

“ We want to express our sincere condolences to Kimberly and her family during this difficult time. Our thoughts and prayers be with you.

Bev & Dave Wittekind - June 30, 2015 at 08:50 AM

JC

“ ”
A friend to everyone he meet"
- A trate he passed along to his children. A very great man.

Jim Crabtree - June 29, 2015 at 11:09 AM

DF

“ Sorry for your loss. Think of Tom often. Prayers are with your family.

Dave Ferguson - June 28, 2015 at 09:07 AM

NN

“ Hi Sally & Judy, everytihing about your brother has already been said in all of the previous messages. Will keep you all in our thoughts & prayers during this time in your lives. God Bless

Nick&Connie Nedry - June 28, 2015 at 12:05 AM

GS

“ Hi Sally and Judy: I was looking forward to seeing Bob again, as I heard he was moving back to town So sorry he passed away. He was a nice neighbor as a kid.

Gail Weissert-Sheneman and Carl Sheneman - June 26, 2015 at 10:54 PM

GC

“ Hi Sally,

*I did not know Bob but we are so sorry for your loss..our deepest condolences to you and your family!..It's been a long time since Electrolux, but it was great working with you...our best to you and your family! Sincerely,
Gary & Deb Cook
Greenville,MI*

Gary Cook - June 26, 2015 at 03:55 PM

GC

“ Dear Sally,

*I didn'
t know Bob, but I am so sorry for your loss,our
deepest condolences
to you and your family...by the way
it was great working
with you at Electrolux, we wish you and your family our best!!*

*Gary & Deb Cook
Greenville, Mi*

Gary Cook - June 26, 2015 at 03:47 PM

TS

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I know there are no words to make it
better, but just know we are thinking of you, Tracy and Simeon*

Tracy Spaulding - June 26, 2015 at 12:03 PM

KL

“ *My husbands best friend for 20 plus years. When ever we needed
help he was always there. I'll have to put my computer up, without
Bob to put it right again. He will be missed by all. Bob was the guy
who didn'
t come to visit, he came to help.*

Kaye Lewis - June 25, 2015 at 10:10 PM

GH

“ *I had the honor of knowing Mr Bob and he was a kind and gentle
man and I know he will be greatly missed.*

Gail Houghton - June 25, 2015 at 06:38 PM

RC

“ *A wonderful addition to our family.*

Robert & Mary Cascaddan - June 25, 2015 at 05:54 PM

JF

“ *Great man right here! Inc Bob was one of a kind and a gentle soul!*

Jessica aper and family - June 25, 2015 at 05:08 PM

VA

“ *While only officially a member of the family for 14 years, you always treated me as a daughter and I loved you like a father. You will be sorely missed by everyone. Thank you for always making time for me, for doing crossword puzzles with me, asking me about my new husband and being the best papa in the world to my girls. To Kim, Candy, Bob & Chuck, thanks for sharing your dad with me. I love you all!*

Val - June 25, 2015 at 03:58 PM

TF

“ *Not sure if you wanted the hug I had to have each time I saw you, but I sure did. We will miss you. Our thoughts & prayers for you and your family. Love to all of you.*

The Odom Family - June 25, 2015 at 01:13 PM

HE

“ *My deepest sympathies to the entire family. I know he will be deeply missed.*

heather - June 25, 2015 at 12:38 PM