



Robert W. Rife

October 11, 1952 - July 1, 2025

Robert W. Rife, age 72, of Upper Sandusky, Ohio, passed away peacefully on July 1,

2025, at Wyandot Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Born on October 11, 1952, in Upper Sandusky, Bob was the beloved son of the late

Donald and Ruth (Burnaugh) Rife. He was preceded in death by his sister, Susan Price.

Bob dedicated 34 years of his life working as a laborer for A.O. Smith, and after

retirement continued serving his community by driving a school bus for the Mohawk

School District. A man of the land, he also enjoyed farming part-time, finding fulfillment

in working close to nature. Bob was an avid sports fan and could always be found watching The Ohio State Buckeyes, Cleveland Browns, or Cleveland Guardians game. Bob enjoyed watching local high sports as well

He is survived by his son, Ryan (Lisa) Rife of Upper Sandusky, and his cherished

grandchildren, Jacob and Emma Rife, who brought him endless pride and joy.

As well as Lu Ann Lehman his longtime friend and loving companion.

A graveside service to celebrate Bob's life will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, July 7, 2025, at Old Mission Cemetery, with Pastor Jay Scott officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to Wyandot Memorial Hospice in care of Bringman Clark Funeral Home 226 E. Wyandot Ave. Upper Sandusky, OH 43351. Visit www.BringmanClark to extend a condolence or share a memory.

Cemetery Details

Old Mission Cemetery*

on East Church St., about 500 feet east of SR
53 and 67, on north side of town
Upper Sandusky, OH 43351

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUL 7. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

ME

“ I'm so sorry and heartbroken to learn of Coach Rife's passing. I have many fond memories of him as my little league baseball coach for Kalmbach, teaching baseball bit also life lessons to us young boys. God bless you, Robert.

Mike Eddington - September 06, 2025 at 03:57 PM



“ What a sweet guy. Always had a smile and a friendly greeting. So easy going. That makes for a great bus driver. Lu, Ryan and family, I know you'll miss him dearly. Prayers for comfort and peace for you all. Sincerely, Karen Spitler

Karen Spitler - July 08, 2025 at 01:41 PM

JF

“ Lu Ann, Ryan and family, I was so sorry to see this about Bob's passing. It has been a while since I saw him but always enjoyed catching up on the family, he will be missed. I am keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers.
Sending love and hugs.
Dave and Jeni (Snyder) Fletcher

Jeni Fletcher - July 05, 2025 at 07:08 PM

DP

“ My condolences to the family. I drove bus with Bob, he was a nice guy & always made me laugh.



Diana Pentony - July 05, 2025 at 02:52 PM

BS

“ *What a great guy!! Always concerned about and cared for those around him, never thinking of himself. I will miss that big smile and "Hello Billy" greeting I always got from him, going all the way back to high school. Rest in peace my friend. Thank you for being a friend and for the great memories. May God Bless your family and give them peace, especially during this difficult time.*

Bill Sturgeon - July 04, 2025 at 04:21 PM