



## Robert Lee Anderson Jr.

February 8, 1964 - June 9, 2020

Robert Lee Anderson Jr., age 56, of Royal Oak, passed away June 9, 2020.

Rob was the beloved son of Robert L. Anderson Sr. and the late Patricia M. Pagett. Dear brother of Scott (Barb) Anderson. Loving uncle of Mackenzie Anderson and Scott Anderson.

Rob loved visiting amusement parks and sought out roller coasters in particular. Cedar Point, among other parks, was a favorite destination. Above all else, though, Rob was devoted to his family and friends. He was deeply loved and will be dearly missed.

Visitation will take place Wednesday, June 17, from 2 - 8 p.m. at Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 705 W. 11 Mile Rd., Royal Oak (4 blocks east of Woodward). Funeral service Thursday, June 18, 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home. Interment to follow at White Chapel Memorial Cemetery.

Please share a memory on the Tribute Wall at [www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com](http://www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com).

# Cemetery Details

## White Chapel Memorial Cemetery

621 W. Long Lake Road  
Troy, MI 48098

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 17. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak  
705 W. Eleven Mile Road  
Royal Oak, MI 48067  
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## Funeral Service

JUN 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors created a Webcast in memory of Robert Lee Anderson Jr.*



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**Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors** - June 18, 2020 at 10:41 AM



“ *The world has lost one kind-hearted and gentle soul. I have known Rob for the better part of 47 years. He started out as the older brother of a friend. But even then, he was never mean-spirited or belittling, as older brothers can be. He was always kind and cordial.*

*In high school, we would spend many a Sunday on the Dondero football field for fun and spirited pick-up football games. Rob, being the smart one, was in the bleachers filming us. He was doing what he loved, while the rest of us were having fun beating each other up. I would love to see those films!*

*As we got older, and age became just a number, Rob was one of the guys. Whether he was bringing the Green Lantern pizza on Risk party night, trading verbal jabs during game play or preserving memories with his camera, he was always making and having fun with the rest of us knuckleheads. I can say without a doubt, that I won't be able to experience the brotherhood and camaraderie of party night without thinking of him.*

*I hope we get to have another Risk party on the other side, Rob. Though language may be a little less salty, the air should be a whole lot less pungent.*

*Until that day, Rest In Peace, my friend.*

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**Randy Thomas** - June 15, 2020 at 03:57 PM

SP

“ I was lucky enough to have Rob's devoted friendship throughout my entire adult life.

*I could always count on him to send a card every holiday, chosen with care and inscribed with an eloquent handwritten personal message. And I could always count on him to show up for every occasion, no matter how inconvenient, always with love in his heart (as well as some photos he wanted to show me or some new toy or game he thought we all might enjoy).*

*Rob was like an uncle to my children, and an incredible mentor. He didn't necessarily teach them how to win at cards, but he definitely taught them how to lose graciously. He didn't teach them how to catch every ball or hit every target, but he definitely taught them how to pick up the missed balls with a smile, try again, and never give up on themselves.*

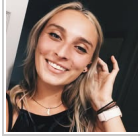
*Rob never complained about endless meals at Olga's when Greg was in town, or about cramming into the backseat of a crowded car or chasing after an errant ball or doing more than his share of paddling in a canoe... He was just happy to be together and to be there for and with the people he loved.*

*Rob built people up. He did not tear them down... He was always fun to be with, and had the gift of an amazing sense of humor that was witty without ever being funny at anyone's expense (except occasionally his own).*

*We have lost a good man, and the world has lost a good soul. He will be missed.*

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**Shari Piracha** - June 12, 2020 at 07:16 PM



“ Rob was basically an uncle to me and my sister. Whenever he came over (“to play cards”) there would be endless laughs, usually a long walk throwing a whistle football around, and a trip to a restaurant someone else suggested but Rob would always offer to pay for. But mostly the laughs... I’m incredibly sad that he won’t be coming to play cards again, but am comforted by the many memories and some fun photos.



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**Alex Maser** - June 12, 2020 at 05:43 PM



“ Scott was so proud of the fact his older brother was working on *Evil Dead II* we made a night of it and our whole gang went to go see it. We sat in our seats after the movie ended until **ROB ANDERSON** scrolled onto the screen and we cheered and clapped for his success. It was so exciting to know someone who had worked on a movie. I’m sure we were always his baby brother’s annoying friends, but that day, he was our hero.

*Prayers for comfort, strength, and love for this difficult loss. May you Rest In Peace, Rob.*

*Sincerely,  
Lori Robertson*

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**Lori Robertson** - June 12, 2020 at 11:09 AM

SM

“ Rob was my oldest friend in the world (going all the way back to the third grade), the first in our group to drive (which, of course, made him invaluable), my best man for my wedding (though the concept of him having to make any kind of toast made him so nervous the toast was about 10 words long -- and that was exactly a Rob thing to do...) and we had a huge variety of common interests that brought us together and kept us going.

He was always up for doing anything and was it easy to make him laugh (and laugh with him) and fun to be around. He really was the definition of a nice guy and a good friend. In many ways, he was my brother-from-another-mother, though we didn't fight nearly as much as he and Scott did growing up. :-)

I always figured he'd be around forever even as our individual lives pulled us in different directions and we didn't get together as often as we should have (but when we did, we were usually in tears from laughter more often than not.)

I will miss him being part of my life and he'll forever be in my memory.

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**Steve Maser** - June 12, 2020 at 10:52 AM

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**Greg Lee** - June 12, 2020 at 09:51 AM

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*Happy times with Rob and his friends.*

**Greg Lee** - June 12, 2020 at 09:55 AM

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“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



**Greg Lee** - June 12, 2020 at 09:39 AM

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*Rob in his element*

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**Greg Lee** - June 12, 2020 at 09:36 AM

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*Always happiest when he could make other people smile*

**Greg Lee** - June 12, 2020 at 09:55 AM

GL

“ Rob was one of the kindest and most thoughtful people I've ever known. He was humble to a fault. Smart, but never aloof. Funny, but never crude or mean just for a laugh.

*For years, to a handful of people, I was lucky enough to be the 'G' in 'GROB'.. if only for a couple of weeks each year. It ended way too soon.*

*Trust and hope that Rob continues in a better place, where there are more like him.*

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**Greg Lee** - June 12, 2020 at 09:32 AM

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*I hope that there are, indeed, more like him for that would be an exalted place of laughter and kindness and ease.  
We'll miss you at the game table, Rob. Rest In Peace, my friend.  
-Jeffery StJohn*

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**Jeffery StJohn** - June 12, 2020 at 01:40 PM

FM

“ My cousin Rob was a good friend and like a brother to me. He was a quite man and very thoughtful and patient and willing to give of himself to help others. I will miss the dinners we shared at Leo's Country Oven and the Holiday dinners too. Rob was a movie buff and we had great times sharing film quotations back and forth as we made each other smile. And Rob I know you would deny it but the world was a better place with you in it. From your cousin Fred with the love of a brother, Rest in Peace Rob.

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**Fred Miller** - June 12, 2020 at 08:55 AM



Shannon  
Pelland

“ Rob was very smart and kind. Willing to help whenever needed. Always greeted me with a warm smile and gentle hug. I will miss Rob's sincere caring spirit. Whenever I think back to our childhood visits, I remember "The Ghool" late nite show he loved to watch. He was a gentle soul and will make a perfect angel. God-speed Rob. Until we meet again. Love,  
Shannon Pelland (Anderson)



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**Shannon Pelland** - June 11, 2020 at 07:06 PM