



## Robert J. "Henny" Hennessey

May 30, 1942 - May 21, 2020

Robert J. "Henny" Hennessey, age 77, passed away on May 21, 2020 in Royal Oak. He was born on May 30, 1942 in Flint to Thomas Hennessey and Pauline Gillette. Bob was a graduate of Highland Park High School and attended U-D. After college, he joined the U.S. Army Reserves and achieved the rank of Sergeant. Bob's career took him to various places including working for Argonaut, working in the family restaurant with his father at Hennessey's Fine Food, as well as a manufacturer's sales representative for McRay Heating, Michigan Air Products and Rutt/Thomas. In his retirement, he was an avid golfer which lead him to the perfect job with Oakland County Parks & Recreation. As a Father and Grandfather his favorite times were attending school and sporting events cheering and traveling all over for his daughters and later, his grandchildren. It was rare that he ever missed a sporting or school event. Bob was a Life Member at the Royal Oak Detroit Elks Lodge, a member of The John Wendland American Legion and former President of Bishop Foley High School Dad's Club. He also was an active member of the community, Bob enjoyed volunteering with his wife, Carol.

Bob and Carol were married for 53 years. They made their home in Royal Oak, where they raised their family. Beloved husband of Carol (Cybulski). Loving father of Dawn (Tom) Medici and Michelle (Jeff) Collick. Proud and devoted grandfather of Samantha Medici, Christina Medici, Ryan Collick, Paige Collick and Brendan Collick. Dear brother of Patrick (Susan)

Hennessey. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. After the restrictions from the COVID-19 pandemic are lifted, there will be a public memorial service for Bob. Share your memories at [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com).

# Tribute Wall

ML

“ So sorry, Carol. We have lost a very fine gentle-man. God bless you all, and may the arms of Jesus hold him in peace. Mary



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**Mary A Lambrix** - June 02, 2020 at 08:39 AM

RS

“ Carol.....It would be hard to find another caring, loving, friendly, compassionate and giving man like Bob. It was a joy to know him (and you!) and I do believe we will see that good man, again.

*Love you!*

*Rick and Maureen Sage*

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**Rick Sage** - June 01, 2020 at 12:36 PM

RM

“ I will always remember our meaningful talks together, meeting during Women's Club and other community service events, as well as sharing the goodness of life with Bob and Carol. God bless you, friend. Rev. Renee Machiniak

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**Rev. Renee Machiniak** - June 01, 2020 at 11:12 AM

MK

“ Dear Carol and Family-I am so sorry to hear of your great loss, Carol. You are in thoughts and prayers.-Maureen Kennedy

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**Maureen Kennedy** - May 31, 2020 at 12:17 PM

BS

“ Henny!!!

*Thank goodness the Lord broke the mold when you were born! Whether it was Tuesday night bowling, a bowling tournament, Elk's Conventions, or just in the club room having an adult beverage, everyone knew Henny was in the room! You were always living life to the fullest. I was blessed to have been able to share some of those fun time with you. Thanks for the memories Bobby!*

*Peace, love, and comfort for the family. ❤️*

*Stewie*

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**Bob Stewart** - May 29, 2020 at 12:36 PM

GC

“ Years ago Bob asked me if I would rebuild a bar in the basement. I asked Bob and Carol to find a picture of one that they liked. They found one and the saga began. Bob would often interject LONG STORY SHORT when a topic was being discussed. So LONG STORY SHORT , the original bar was removed except for a few framing studs. During build i told Bob he needed a drink rail, footrests, exhaust fan and a dedicated 20 amp line. Bob resisted on all and after much discussion he relented. Carol was a co-conspirator on getting Bob to agree, especially regarding footrests. So, LONG STORY SHORT, after every cut I made with a miter saw Bob insisted he vacuum the floor before anything else was done. Cut, vacuum, cut vacuum, cut vacuum, you get the idea. I began calling him Mrs. Hennessey with every vacuum. No offense Carol ! So, LONG STORY SHORT, the new bar was completed after several months of periodic building. Most of you have probably seen the new bar over the years. Bob, Carol, Judie, and myself had a lot of laughs over the build !!  
Bob, LONG STORY SHORT, I will see you in heaven some day, have cold beer on hand and we will laugh and laugh and laugh !!  
GARY  
Ps. NO VACUUMING !!

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**Gary Clark** - May 27, 2020 at 03:34 PM

JM

“ Carol, so sorry to have heard of this sad news about Bob. My condolences to you and your family during these difficult times. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

*Jim Monahan*

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**Jim Monahan** - May 27, 2020 at 03:02 PM

RJ

“ Bob , that's how I knew him. Never shied away from lending a hand. I'm sure he and my dad are together, in heaven, scheming a new project for the Foley dads.  
My heart felt condolences to Carol, Dawn, Michelle and your extended family.  
Rest In Peace, my friend.  
Rick Joynt

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**Rick Joynt** - May 25, 2020 at 03:15 PM

SJ

“ Dear Dawn, your father was the strongest, life loving man,I have ever had the pleasure of knowing. He bravely fought and won the battles with many heath threatening illnesses that would surely have taken a lesser man. He taught us all the inspirational lesson 'never give up and never give in'. Now Jesus has Called your father home to Heaven. No more pain or suffering, only joy. God bless your father and your family. You are in our thoughts and prayers.  
Aunt Sue and Del

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**susan jankowski** - May 24, 2020 at 10:59 AM

BS

Carol and family, I will miss a childhood friend. Bob and I grew up together at Highland Park High School and became close. Our two families was as one. I have many fond memories of Bob's parents and brother Patrick. May God Bless you and your family.

God Bless, Iva & Bill Stacy

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**Bill Stacy** - June 13, 2020 at 07:15 PM