



Robert Allan Persinger

February 6, 1967 - May 6, 2013

Robert A. Persinger, age 46, a resident of Madison Heights for the last 15 years, formerly of Troy and West Branch, died May 6, 2013 at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. He was born February 6, 1967 in Mount Clemens. Rob pursued his lifelong dream of becoming a professional musician and attended the Guitar Institute of Technology in Hollywood, CA right out of high school. He then moved back home to Troy and was taking classes at Oakland Community College where he met his future wife, Kristie, when she almost hit him with her car as he walked through the campus parking lot. They both transferred to Central Michigan University, where he received his bachelor's degree. Rob played guitar professionally with such community theatre groups as Stagecrafters in Royal Oak, The Village Players in Birmingham, St. Dunstan's Theatre in Bloomfield Hills, and many more theatres throughout metro Detroit. He also played guitar in the folk groups at Holy Family Parish in West Branch, St. Vincent Ferrer in Madison Heights and St. Mary's Catholic Church in Royal Oak. Rob was an active member at St. Mary's. He worked as an assistant in the Religious Education Department and with the Changing Lives Together Campaign. He was actively pursuing becoming an auxiliary member with the Order of Malta. Rob was an Eagle Scout and continued the tradition of scouting with his sons as a scout leader. Following in his dad's footsteps, his son Anthony just achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. Rob also enjoyed camping and traveling Michigan, especially Mackinaw Island and the West Branch area. He was the beloved husband of

Kristie Renaud Persinger; the couple married September 28, 1991 in Berkley; loving father of Anthony, Nicholas and Benjamin Persinger; cherished son of the late Neil and Mary Persinger; son-in-law of Tim Kelly Renaud and the late Jackie Renaud; brother-in-law of Tim Kathy Renaud, Kelly Renaud and Kathy Shawn Stewart; proud uncle of Tim and Emma Renaud, Devin and Alana Stewart; godfather of Ana Rusin and also survived by her brother, Sam Rusin. There will be a memorial visitation Sunday 1-8 p.m. and Monday 4-8 p.m. with a 7 p.m. prayer service at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W Eleven Mile Road 4 blocks E of Woodward, Royal Oak. The family will receive friends Tuesday 9:30 a.m. until the time of the memorial service 10 a.m. at St. Mary Catholic Church in Royal Oak, with the Rev. Steven Wertanen officiating. Share your memories at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Tribute Wall

AL

“ hai its alana i wanna say thanks and i miss my uncle rob. i want him to return now! god please dont make him miss us he is free from his treatments and in a better place.

alana - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM



Thank you, Alana Jean :) While I know your Uncle Rob was very sad to leave all of us behind, I believe he is with us every single day. We cannot hug him or hear him laugh, but we can talk to him. He hears you, sweetheart. Be strong, hang in there, and know that I love you so much XOXO
- Aunt Titi

Kristie Persinger - May 20, 2019 at 05:17 PM

DS

“ and also my aunt bunny Kelly we all love him very much and so do all the people who commented on this page to show their support to uncle rob and his family

Devin and Alana stewart - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ i miss my uncle so much thx to every one who supported him and loved him.god bless his loving family: ben, nick, anthony, aunt titi kristie, aunt kathy, my mom kathleen, uncle buck tim, my dad shawn, my cousins timmy and emma and all of his freinds and family.

Devin and Alana stewart - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CZ

“ Dear Kristie, Anthony, Nicholas, & Benjamin, I am so very sorry for your loss. I saw my friend, Tim Renaud, last week and he shared his sorrow with me. Thank you for sharing Rob with all of us at St. Mary's. He made beautiful music, and his Parish work is certainly appreciated. Take good care of each other. I will remember all of you in my prayers. With Sincere Sympathy, Cathy Naas
Zimmerman Royal Oak, MI

Catherine Naas Zimmerman - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM



Thank you, Cathy. It means a lot to me to know that his music and his dedication are fondly remembered. Take care.
- Kristie

Kristie Persinger - May 20, 2019 at 05:19 PM

MC

“ You can see the love you had for each other in your pictures and how you spoke about your husband. You taught me so much about strength, love and your relationship with Jesus. Thank you for teaching us how to love ~ my heart goes out to you and to your sons! May God bless you during this time and may you continue to lean upon Him, our prayers to you all, Maria-Ken Calverley and family

Mia C - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM



Thank you, Maria. I hope you and your family are healthy and happy!

Kristie Persinger - May 20, 2019 at 05:19 PM

NM

“ Dear Kristie, My heart breaks for you and your sons. Just learned of your news from Vicki. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Rob was a really great guy. I laughed through tears when I read in the obituary how you two met. Wish I could be there to give you a hug.
Nancy Johnson McLaughlin

Nancy Johnson McLaughlin - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM



My dear sweet friend, thank you for your kind words and for sharing your memories of Rob. I'm trying to work out a plan with Vicki for making a long-overdue visit to WB. I hope to see you!

Kristie Persinger - May 20, 2019 at 05:21 PM

KB

“ Kristie, Anthony, Nicholas, and Benjamin: Thoughts and prayers are with you all at this difficult time. Rob was an awesome friend to many, and we miss him already. We look forward to seeing you all at the cabin this summer where we can share funny stories about our times together. Love you all!

Ken and Vicki Barnes - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Our hearts, love, and prayers for comfort go out to the entire family of Rob Persinger ... especially his wife, and his three sons ... its a difficult road ahead to learn to live without someone you love so deeply that was in your physical presence daily. We are truly sorry for your loss and trust that God has sent his Angels to each of you for comfort. Our belief is that Rob's spirit will remain with you Kristie, Anthony, Nicholas, and Benjamin. It is one of the most heart wrenching things to have to bury your child, and no less for his father in law, Tim Renaud -- our prayers are with you. Rob's parents Neil and Mary have been reunited with their son in the beauty of our Heavenly Father's promise, and for that we are all grateful. Blessings to all who loved Rob, family and friends. Sincerely, The Duran Family Kelly Renaud's sister & family

Duran Family - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FM

“ My thoughts and prayers for the whole family... will be in touch later but wanted to let you know I am thinking of you all... God Bless, Fr Dennis

Fr. Dennis Meyer - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ To the Persinger family -- we are so sorry for your loss. I remember selling pointsettias in the hallway at st. Mary and witnessing Rob put his hand on his son's back as he asked about his science project and math test. I remember thinking what a great dad -- how blessed his son is to have a dad like that. Our prayers to you all. Jen Schrems Terry and Brady

Jen - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM