



Robert J. Poli

October 15, 1941 - April 15, 2014

POLI, Robert J. age 72, of Sterling Heights passed away Tuesday, April 15, 2014 after a long battle with Cystic Fibrosis. There's no better phrase to describe him other than "The Ultimate Trooper". Bob was one of the oldest survivors of what is known to be a childhood disease. He was born October 15, 1941 in Detroit, Michigan to the late Bruno and Catherine Poli. He graduated from Nativity High School. Beloved husband of Ann Louise nee Hargreaves Poli. Proud father of Robert M. Poli, Elisabeth Anne "Lisa" Brad Martin, and Kristina Louise David Kenel. Bob has seven grandchildren: David, Lindsey, Alixaundrea, Michael, Paige, Kaitlyn and Violet. Their grandfather never failed to entertain them with his funny jokes just as his father, Bruno did. He is survived by his brother Don Sandy Poli, sister Kay Poli, and sister-in-law of Terry Poli. He was predeceased by his brothers Charles Linda and Jerry Poli. He was a loving uncle and great uncle to many nieces and nephews. He had a wide range of creativity from his photography, to his painting, and drawings. He won a archery competition at LTV when he was younger and not so sick. He enjoyed the little things in life from playing solitaire on his computer, to chess with his grandchildren, taking family camping trips to Higgins Lake State Park, hunting, and watching deer. Bob loved watching his children grow up and appreciate sports just as he did. When Bob was young, he used to love to work on cars while teaching others his method step by step. He was a regular "Mr. Fix it". Bob had a unique sense of humor and a contagious laugh, and always enjoyed a good laugh with family and friends.

But most of all he loved spending time with his family. He was greatly loved and will be deeply missed. A prayer from his family: Thank you God for this wonderful husband, father, and grandfather, and during this holy week we pray you will take him to heaven where he will finally be able to breathe easy, Amen. Visitation Thursday 4:00pm-9:00pm and Friday 1:00pm-9:00pm with his funeral service Saturday 11:00am at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Road 3 blocks east of Van Dyke Utica, with Father Thomas Sutherland officiating. Memorials appreciated to Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-1942. Please share a memory with the family at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com

Tribute Wall

CB

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. As I type this I reflect back on fond memories and better times. I'm so glad I had the opportunity to visit with Bob and Anne when I was in Michigan last year. Good memories and good times.* ”

Candy Burroughs - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EF

“ *Sorry for the loss of your love one. We will keep you in our prayer and thought. May God ease your suffering at this. Bob was a very kind and gentle pearson, but a strong pearson.* ”

Edith & Edward Fouchia - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ *Kris you and your family are in my prayers. My heart is grieving for you. I loved the kindness your Dad always showed me and made me feel like part of the family. He was a wonderful person and his spirit lives on in wonderful you.* ”

Katrina Beckman - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“ *Warm thoughts will forever be the memory of my very kind cousin who loved his family. My prayers are with you during this difficult time. He will be missed!* ”

Ken & Mary Johnston - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ Sorry to hear the news about Bob. I am sharing the info with the Gordons. Bob, Joe, Candy, Mary and my girls Teresa, Barb, Angela. We all will miss Your Bob and Suzi and I will make it to Sullivan's for the visit. From Bill Gordon

Bill Gordon - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM