



## Scott Bradley Holland

July 11, 1955 - April 8, 2021

Scott Bradley Joseph Holland, a resident of Shelby Township, passed away on April 8, 2021 at the age of 65.

Scott leaves behind his bride of 43 years, Karen (Schroeder), and his devoted family. His children William (Kelly), Peter (Wendy), Rose (Dan) Barney, and granddaughter Audrey gave him his greatest joy.

Scott was big brother to siblings Brian, Craig (Pam), and Judy (Jeff) Atkins. He was brother-in-law to Cindy and Clay Cprek; John and Diane Schroeder; Fred and Cathy Schroeder; Patricia Schroeder; and Jay and Lynda Schroeder. He looked forward to time spent with all of his nieces and nephews. He relished watching them grow into adulthood, marry and start their families. He was predeceased by his parents Donald and Ruth (Varga) Holland.

If wealth were measured in friendship, Scott was a rich man indeed! He had friends far too numerous to count and he especially treasured his relationship with those on "The Chivas Side of the Family". He delighted in watching the bonds of that legendary campfire circle pass on to the next generation.

Scott lived most of his life in Shelby Township, Michigan. As a youngster, he loved wandering the community to fish, search for frogs, explore, play pick up games, and shoot model rockets. He was an avid reader and a dreamer with an animated imagination. Throughout life, much of that stayed with him. As

Shelby Township grew, he enjoyed being part of "firsts". After third grade, Scott transferred from Ewell to Switzer Elementary as a member of that schools' first fourth grade class. Scott met Karen in Shelby Junior High and they remained good friends for the next six years. Scott, along with wife Karen was a member of the first graduating class of Eisenhower High School. They both were there when President Nixon dedicated the school. Scott was a part of many firsts at Eisenhower including the football and track teams. He was among the school's first inductees into the National Honor Society.

It was at the end of the second year of college when Scott began to date Karen. It did not take long for him to decide he wanted to spend the rest of his life with this dear friend at his side. A few months after graduation they wed and moved to the suburban Chicago. They went on to raise a family Scott passionately loved and their marriage grew stronger with each year that passed.

Scott pursued higher education at two institutions, first at Michigan Technological University where he earned a BS in Electrical Engineering. Then on to Oakland University where he earned a MS in Industrial Engineering. He was registered with the State of Michigan as a Professional Engineer, a member of the ITW Patent Society and a past member of The Engineering Society of Detroit. His career, spanning 44 years, took him into factories around the world. He began his career with Underwriters Laboratories, then moved on to Ford Motor Company, Balance Engineering (originally a division of General Motors), and finally Dominion Technologies. He recently quipped with co-workers that he wanted his new corporate email address to list him as "Master of the Balance Universe"! His love of reading, his animated imagination, and his attributes as a team player helped him partner with other creative peers to develop five patents for three of those companies. On March 19, 2021 he spent his final day doing the work he thoroughly enjoyed with a phenomenal team of co-workers he had come to deeply love like family.

Scott's greatest works may not have been the ones that provided support of family or created patents for employers. They were the ones, rooted in service to God, that benefited the greater community. As a convert to Catholicism, he lived a deep Christ centered faith that permeated all he was and all he did. His children and their activities were a priority he worked to support. Additionally, Scott and Karen engaged in volunteer activities that focused on developing young people in the community. They gave of themselves as youth ministers, church nursery organizers, BSA - Boy Scout/Cub Scout / Venture leaders, Archdiocese of Detroit CYO Committee on Catholic Scouting Religious Medals facilitators, Parents Club volunteers at Notre Dame Preparatory/Marist Academy with focus on the fine and performing arts, and more than can be listed. Scott's personal passions included camping with family and friends, hiking amazing terrains, and organic gardening. He took great delight in growing many of the vegetables Karen cooked with.

Scott loved growing in the knowledge and practice of his faith. He, along with Karen, participated in Marriage Encounter, various bible studies, Alpha, and more. He enjoyed male fellowship at men's days of reflections and took his young sons to "Home Plate" at the old Tiger Stadium. He spent his last week participating in the Divine Mercy Novena. Even in illness, he was able to pray with Karen on Days 1 through 6. On day 7, Karen and the children prayed it at his bedside.

THIS WAS THE FOCUS OF THAT DAY'S PRAYER: Today bring to Me THE SOULS WHO ESPECIALLY VENERATE AND GLORIFY MY MERCY,\* and immerse them in My mercy. These souls sorrowed most over my Passion and entered most deeply into My spirit. They are living images of My Compassionate Heart. These souls will shine with a special brightness in the next life. Not one of them will go into the fire of hell. I shall particularly defend

each one of them at the hour of death.

Shortly after the prayers his pastor arrived and gave him Last Rites. As they were completed Scott, with family gathered round, quietly returned to God. It was a little after 3 pm which is the hour of mercy! It was the beautiful completion of a life well lived.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Scott's memory may be made to:

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Visitation for Scott will take place on Friday, April 16, from 2:00 to 8:00 pm with a 7:00 pm Rosary led by the Marist Fathers and Brothers at Sullivan Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Rd., Utica, 48317.

Scott will lie in state on Saturday April 17 from 11:30 am until time of Funeral Mass at Noon at St. Andrew, 1400 Inglewood Ave, Rochester, MI 48307.

Interment at Resurrection Cemetery in Clinton Township.



# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 16. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm Sullivan and Son Funeral Home  
8459 Hall Road  
Utica, MI 48317  
(586) 731-2411  
utica@sullivanfh.com  
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

## Rosary Service

APR 16. 7:00 PM (ET)

Wm Sullivan and Son Funeral Home  
8459 Hall Road  
Utica, MI 48317  
(586) 731-2411  
utica@sullivanfh.com  
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

## In State at Church

APR 17. 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Andrew Catholic Church  
1400 Inglewood  
Rochester, MI 48037

## Funeral Mass

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APR 17. 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Andrew Catholic Church  
1400 Inglewood  
Rochester, MI 48037

## Burial

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APR 17 (ET)

Resurrection Cemetery  
18201 Clinton River Road  
Clinton Township, MI 48038

# Tribute Wall



“ *Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors created a Webcast in memory of Scott Bradley Holland*



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**Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors** - April 16, 2021 at 06:28 PM

UL

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**ultrapremiumswisskincare** - April 29, 2021 at 07:22 PM

SG

“ *My deepest condolences to the family from cousin Sue (Ungier) Goldsworthy.*

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**Sue Goldsworthy** - April 24, 2021 at 05:45 PM

RJ

“ Karen,  
I'm so sorry to hear about Scott's death. I have many good memories of working with Scott at Balance Engineering. He was a great example and highly respected by all. You and your family are in my prayers.  
Roger & Pat Jewett

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**Roger Jewett** - April 19, 2021 at 09:09 PM

KM

“ Karen and family,  
We are so very sorry to hear of the passing of Scott. We have had so many wonderful memories from our scouting days...  
Please know that our thoughts, prayers and love are with you all during this very sad time.  
The Morehouse Family

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**Kathleen Morehouse** - April 17, 2021 at 08:27 AM

JH

“ Karen,  
We were so sorry to hear about Scott's passing. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May your many memories help you find peace in the day's ahead.  
Joe and Marie (Jones) Haezebrouck

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**Joe Haezebrouck** - April 16, 2021 at 10:37 PM

KH

“ Scott & I shared home rooms from 7th grade thru 12th. I remember his smile & kindness. He was one of the good guys! RIP dear Scott! Sympathies & love to Karen & family. What a beautiful life filled with wonderful memories that I hope will eventually give you strength thru this heartbreaking time! ❤️🙏

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**Kathy Hooper** - April 16, 2021 at 09:24 PM

BA

“ Scott and I worked together for several years with Shelby Township Boy Scout Troop 208. The adult leader jobs that Scott volunteered to do were critical to the smooth operation of the Troop. I always knew I could count on Scott to invest long hours to produce quality work to meet a demanding schedule. Both of us had 2 sons in the Troop at various times. Scott and his son Bill really enjoyed hiking and backpacking. Our families spent many wonderful days together on long hikes so the scouts could earn the hiking merit badge and the challenging 50 miler award. We also tackled 3 week-long backpacking trips together over the years. One in the Shenandoah National Park (Appalachian Trail) in VA and two trips to Isle Royale National Park in Lake Superior. Scott and I grew to become very close friends. I have many fond memories of the scouting experience I enjoyed with the Holland family. Rest In Peace my brother - you were a role model for every Boy Scout who crossed your path over your many years of service to scouting.

*Bill Ashley, Mary Ashley, Bob Ashley and Mike Ashley  
Shelby Township*

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**Bill Ashley** - April 16, 2021 at 08:41 PM

MS

“ I graduated from Eisenhower High in 73 with Scott. I remember him as a great student, friendly and very kind and sincere. Blessings from God to all his family.

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**Michael Sullivant** - April 16, 2021 at 08:19 PM

SM

“ Karen and family,

*Scott was my mentor at Balance Engineering when I first got out of college. For many years he helped me grow at BE as a software developer and man. I considered Scott a second father. I enjoyed many years working under him. His kindness, passion for balancing, encouragement, and appreciation for others was always on display. He had such a knack to bring people together to solve problems on the machines and keep everyone in a good mood. He encouraged me in many ways to grow. Scott will always be remembered fondly by me. He will be missed. May God give you comfort in your loss.*

*Shawn Murphy*

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**Shawn Murphy** - April 16, 2021 at 02:59 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Scott Bradley Holland.



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April 16, 2021 at 02:36 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Scott Bradley Holland.*



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April 16, 2021 at 10:01 AM



“ *Karen, I'm so sorry to hear about Scott's death. He was one of my favorite people at Balance Engineering. He was such a gentleman, respected by everyone. May your memories console you. You and your family are in my prayers.*

*Judy Winter*

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**Judy Winter** - April 15, 2021 at 06:41 PM



“ *Dear Karen,*

*I am so sorry for your loss of Scott. I reflect on the many years of association with him at Balance Engineering and Scott's leadership in solving some really difficult engineering assignments.*

*Additionally, his character made him able to pull the efforts of his colleagues together to get the job done.*

*Karen, I appreciate you and your family for loaning Scott to us for his career with Balance Engineering.*

*Scott will be greatly missed.*

*Ron Buck, BEC  
Retired*

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**Ron Buck** - April 15, 2021 at 03:45 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Scott Bradley Holland.



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April 15, 2021 at 03:42 PM



“ *Your Light Shines* was purchased for the family of Scott Bradley Holland.



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April 15, 2021 at 02:13 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket* was purchased for the family of Scott Bradley Holland.



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April 15, 2021 at 12:56 PM

LC

“ *The lives of all of us who were lucky enough to know Scott have been enriched through knowing him. The kindness, humor, knowledge, and faith in God which he always shared is a gift I will treasure always. Enjoy the comfort and peace you have found with our Heavenly Father, until we meet again.*

*Love always ~ Lori Coluzzi*



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**Lori Coluzzi** - April 15, 2021 at 10:44 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Scott Bradley Holland.*



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April 15, 2021 at 09:27 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Scott Bradley Holland.*



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April 15, 2021 at 09:15 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Scott Bradley Holland.*



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April 15, 2021 at 09:06 AM



“ *Nguyen's Family - DTG purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Scott Bradley Holland.*



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**Nguyen's Family - DTG** - April 15, 2021 at 07:12 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Scott Bradley Holland.*



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April 14, 2021 at 09:28 PM

RF

“ Ron (Sue) Fisher, Our most heartfelt condolences from the Fisher family to the Holland family, especially his wife Karen. Let us pray: Saints of God, come to Scott Bradley Joseph Holland's aid! Come to meet him, angels of the Lord! Receive his soul and present him to God the Most High. May Christ, Who called you, take you to Himself; may angels lead you to Abraham's side. Receive his soul and present him to God the Most High. Give him eternal rest, O Lord, and may Your light shine upon him forever. Let us pray: We commend our brother Scott Bradley Joseph Holland to you, Lord. Now that he has passed from this life, may he live on in Your presence. In Your mercy and love, forgive whatever sins he may have committed through human weakness. He has moved on and will rejoice and live in eternal life in the Kingdom of Heaven. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sincerely,  
Ron Sue Fisher  
Indian Mound TN

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Ron Fisher - April 14, 2021 at 06:14 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Scott Bradley Holland.



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April 14, 2021 at 05:37 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Scott Bradley Holland.*



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April 14, 2021 at 11:53 AM



“ *In my life, I never met a kinder and gentler soul. You are missed and loved.*

*-Abe Hamade*

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**Abe Hamade** - April 14, 2021 at 10:46 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Scott Bradley Holland.*



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April 14, 2021 at 10:07 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Scott Bradley Holland.*



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April 13, 2021 at 11:11 PM



“ *Tim Tschirhart purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Scott Bradley Holland.*



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**Tim Tschirhart** - April 13, 2021 at 07:52 PM



“ *Scott was and is a man who made a positive, enduring impression on all he met. His smile is the same since high school, his happy and giving personality live on forever. Great guy, great wife, great family. Love and peace. Tim Tschirhart*

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**Tim Tschirhart** - April 13, 2021 at 07:42 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Scott Bradley Holland.*



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April 13, 2021 at 04:12 PM

UL

“ 16 files added to the album *An abundant life that overflowed with blessings!*



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**ultrapremiumswisskincare** - April 13, 2021 at 02:55 PM

DB

“ *Dan Barney purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Scott Bradley Holland.*



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**Dan Barney** - April 13, 2021 at 02:36 PM