



Robert Edward Burgie

April 17, 1928 - December 3, 2016

Robert "Bob" Edward Burgie, 88, of Charlotte went to be with the Lord surrounded by his family December 3, 2016. He was born April 17, 1928 in Battle Creek to Joseph and Minnie (Schill) Burgie. Bob graduated from St. Philip Catholic High School in 1946. After graduating high school he joined the U.S. Army and served from 1946 to 1948. After his service Bob attended the University of Detroit in the engineering program. On August 18, 1951 Bob married his sweetheart Mary Ellen "Meg" Gibbs. Bob worked at Hoover Universal where he would retire after many years as a Cost Estimator, Quality Manager, Sample and Small Order Shop Manager.

Bob lived to golf, his favorite pastime, which his wife Mary Ellen would refer to it as "Goofing". He enjoyed woodworking, and was the ultimate handyman. Bob could fix anything. He was a big Tigers baseball and Lions football fan. He loved to watch the game and then discuss the game with family. Bob loved to eat good food, especially apple pie that was made by his daughters.

Bob is a member of St. Mary's Church in Charlotte, St. Mary's Men's Club, St. Mary's Conversation Club, Tomac Woods Senior Golf League, and AE Management Investment Club. He will be remembered for being a good honest, hardworking family man and for being the master of corny jokes. Above all Bob is most proud of his entire family.

Bob is survived by his children, Susan (Frank) Dunham of Nashville, MI, Thomas (Lynore) Burgie of Canandaigua, NY, Michael (Jan) Burgie of Colorado Spings, CO, James (Sheila) Burgie of Charlotte, MI, Peggy Mrowca of Jackson, MI, Mary (Byron) Baumbach of South Elgin, IL, and Terri Waterman of Battle Creek, MI; 24 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. was preceded in death by his wife Meg, parents, 2 brothers and 2 sisters.

Visitation is scheduled for Sunday, December 11, from 2-4 and 6-8 PM with Rosary service at 7:30 pm at Pray Funeral Home, and Monday December 12 from 10 AM to 11AM at St Mary Catholic Church in Charlotte preceding the Funeral Mass at 11 AM with Fr. Dwight Ezop officiating. Interment will take place at Maple Hill Cemetery in Charlotte, MI. If desired, the family has suggested memorial contributions to the McLaren Hospice and The St. Mary Catholic School. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of Bob on his tribute page at www.prayfuneral.com . The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Maple Hill Cemetery

801 Tully Brown Rd.
Charlotte, MI 48813

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary Catholic Church
807 St. Mary Boulevard
Charlotte, MI 48813

Funeral Ceremony

DEC 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

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807 St. Mary Boulevard
Charlotte, MI 48813

Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert Edward Burgie*



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“ *Sue and siblings
Sorry about the lose of your Dad. I know it's a tough time....been there.
John Hotchkiss*

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“ *Grande Gourmet Fruit Basket was purchased for the family of Robert Edward Burgie.*



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“ Your dad, and the generation with him, influenced far more people than you will ever know. While we studied the Baltimore Catechism [quick, why did God make me?], he was teaching us how to put those thoughts into action. He helped move a church, buy new land, put a building in place that became our church for many years, and build a rectory. He tithed to build a school, and sacrificed to send you there. He was a fixture on Sunday's after Mass serving coffee and rolls, working the annual chicken dinner, and a very long list of other activities. He taught quietly by his example; he truly lived his baptismal promises as Priest, Prophet, and King. The standard set by your dad, mine, and the other men of St. Mary's planted the seed that eventually led to my ordination as deacon. I can still hear the stories about building the rectory and see you dad, Lloyd Littich, and Pete Flees tending the chickens for the annual bbq. As I got older, I began to understand how you take the words you learn and make them real. Your dad was an important part of that lesson.

Thank you for sharing him with us

Deacon Mark Miller

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