



Robert Michael Crawford

March 11, 1963 - March 5, 2016

Robert Michael Crawford, 52, passed away unexpectedly in Lansing, on March 5, 2016. He was born March 11, 1963, to Charles and Janis (Burke) Crawford in Fort Wayne, IN. On March 12, 2002 Robert married his sweetheart Donna Jay. Robert worked as a salesman and was a very good salesman at that in automotive retail.

In his early years Robert was a star quarterback for his high school football team. He loved to play basketball. Robert was an avid golfer, and he was also a big Michigan State Spartans fan and also an Indiana Hoosier fan because of being born in Ft Wayne. Bob enjoyed watching both football and basketball. He loved to watch the Price is Right, an interest he gained from his father Charles. He had a strong love for animals; especially Odie his pug who was his best friend. Above all Robert is most proud of his family especially his grandchildren.

Robert is survived by his wife, Donna; step-daughter, April (Tommy) Erickson; step-son, Justin (Bridget) King; sisters, Jara Adams, Jodi (John) VanAlstine, Sherri (Gregg) Hall; 2 grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. Robert is predeceased by his parents.

Visitation will be held Thursday, March 10, 2016 from 11 AM to 1:00 PM and 3-5:00 PM at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte, with funeral services

immediately following at 5:00 PM, Pastor John Bailey officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family in the care of Donna Crawford. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte. Family and friends are encouraged to share remembrances and condolences online in Robert's Tribute Page at www.PrayFuneral.com

Tribute Wall



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert Michael Crawford



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - March 09, 2016 at 01:20 PM

AJ

“ Sorry to hear about your lost. You and your family are in my prayers.....

acquay jackson - March 11, 2016 at 03:45 PM

NM

“ I am so sorry for your loss. You all are in my prayers.

Nicole Musyoki - March 11, 2016 at 11:05 AM

JC

My prayers are with you and your family on your loss

Jacque Cole - March 11, 2016 at 02:40 PM

BS

“ I remember playing pickup games with craw daddy. It never made a difference who was on his team, he would always say, I can run this team. Come on. I had a lot of great memories and like everyone else he brings a smile to my face. Love ya Bobby, till we meet again.

Bryan Sherman - March 10, 2016 at 08:02 PM

CR

“ Dear Donna and Family,

I can't begin to describe how sad I was to hear about Bobby! He was an amazing man and like a second brother to me. I have such great memories of him on our family trips camping, going to Florida, and many others. Bobby was part of our family and my daily life while growing up, including razzing me just as much as Tim! He will be truly missed and our lives will never be the same without him. He was loved very much! Caroline (Otley) Redeker

Caroline Redeker - March 10, 2016 at 01:15 PM

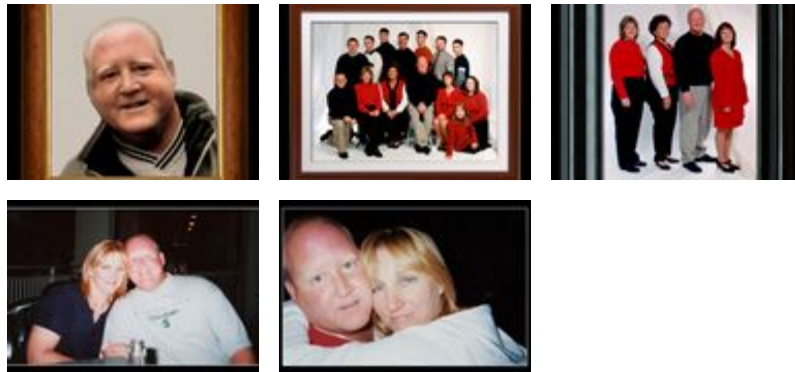
CS

“ Thinking today of Bob's family and friends, remembering his smile and pranks! For a good piece of their growing up years, he and my brother Darin were inseparable so I can't help but think of their tow-heads, their football and basketball prowess, Bob's comedic talents. We loved Bobby as our "other little brother", and always will ~ Cary Wilmore Smith

Cary Wilmore Smith - March 10, 2016 at 10:03 AM



“ 36 files added to the album Life Tributes



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - March 09, 2016 at 01:12 PM

ED

“ To Bob's extended family,
I'm sure you won't remember me but I was one of the neighborhood boys who would regularly gather for baseball, basketball and football games at any vacant lot or backyard we could find. We all grew up together from Kindergarten through high school and I have some terrific memories of what life was like then. We all lived by the "be home by the time the streetlights come on" rule. Great memories and I'm so sorry for your loss.

I also recall a New Year's Eve party at the house on Prairie street when his parents were out of town....brings a smile to my face.....

Prayers have been lifted for strength at this tough time.

Ed Allen

Ed - March 09, 2016 at 08:48 AM

TN

“ Dear Donna, Jara, Jodi, Sherri and all those touched by Bob: I am sorry and saddened for our loss. Bobby was a constant in my life or more than 30 years. We stayed in touch for quite some time after high school, but I am sad to say not for the last 15 or more years. We met in the second grade playing football for the first time with our Dads coaching. From there we played football and basketball together until we graduated. In middle school we would sometimes run to the Crawford house for lunch. We would grab whatever was in the fridge to eat, read the articles (not look at the pictures) in Chuck's Playboy magazines and get some life advice from Janice before we ran back to school. If not football or basketball, it was golf, Gun Lake, party at Matt's house, or other things that will not be mentioned here. Bob was the best man at my wedding and I am glad I was there for him when his mother died. Whenever I think of Bob I smile, or chuckle. Whenever I am with friends who know Bob and his name comes up there are always fond memories and laughter. "Fun" is what I had whenever I was with Bobby and fun is a great thing. I really miss that fun right now, but I am thankful to have had Bobby as a friend and for the fun memories he gave me that I will carry for the rest of my life. My thoughts and prayers are with the family during this difficult time and I encourage you all to remember Bob and honor him by having some fun. I will miss you.

Sincerely,
Todd Newsome

Todd Newsome - March 08, 2016 at 10:15 PM

JM

“ Working with Bob at Lowe's was great, he always said Hello with a smile and gave me a high 5. Everyone was shocked that Bob passed, but we will remember him always as a good friend and co-worker.

Jennifer Martin - March 08, 2016 at 08:38 PM

RW

“ To my child hood friend never will for get the day on my swing set the last time I saw u was when you were working at the hotel and after all these years I was just talking about you last week with my wife thinking about growing up in Charlotte wish I could have seen you again but God had other plains RIP and to his wife and family I'm so sorry . Rick Withrow

Rick Withrow - March 08, 2016 at 04:46 PM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Robert Michael Crawford.



March 08, 2016 at 02:56 PM

CM

“ I dont think he has changed in facial features in 51 years. He would never have remember me but I babysat for him, his sisters Jara, Jodi and Sherry. His folks Chuck and Janis worked with my folks at Owens Illinois, Bob and Joann Smithson. What a shock this was to see this obit. I am so sorry to all the girls and of course his wife and family as well. God has his reasons. He is back with his folks.

Carolyn Miller - March 08, 2016 at 01:49 PM

KS

“ Bob and I had so much fun I don't even know where to start. I haven't seen him much over the past several years but I always considered him one of my closest friends. We would throw the football for hours and always compete in punt, pass, and kick in our yard on Stoddard Street. Then we had such great fun playing football games across from Matt Pecks house. Many many great times at Matts too, many fond memories I will never ever forget. Bob would look at me and there was always something about the way he looked at me I would just laugh and laugh. He would say "Sherm what is so damn funny" and that would make me laugh even harder :) I love you Bob :(You will truly be missed. Love you my friend, Kirk Sherman

Kirk Sherman - March 08, 2016 at 01:44 PM

JR

“ Look at that smile! That is how I remember him. I haven't seen Bob for many years. I was a best friend of his Mom and Dad and remember him as a darling little boy who was full of life and joy. He was fun to cuddle and was very loving then . After his mom died and he was a grown man we lost touch but I have never forgotten him. I am so sorry for your loss. Remember the good times like me. Joan Raines.

Joan Raines - March 08, 2016 at 05:43 AM