



## Robert Lynn Hanje

October 17, 1955 - April 19, 2021

Robert "Bob" Lynn Hanje, 65, of Charlotte, a loving and wise father and grandfather with a servant-heart, went home to be with the Lord on Monday, April 19, 2021 in Lansing. Bob was born October 17, 1955 in Indianapolis, IN, the son of Arthur "Ralph" and Lois Elaine (Lutton) Hanje. Following high school, Bob attended the General Motors Institute in Flint before returning to Indianapolis to start his career in engineering. Soon after, he earned a Master's Degree in Engineering from Purdue University. He then moved to the General Motors Plant in Mansfield, OH, where he met the love of his life, Coral Jo Armstrong. The two married on January 17, 1987, started their family, and eventually moved to Charlotte, MI, when Bob took the position as launch manager at the Cadillac Plant in Lansing. Following his retirement, Bob devoted much of his working hours to the service of those with special needs as a bus driver for both Dean Transportation and South Church Chosen Ministry, as well as serving at Camp Barakel.

Above all, Bob was devoted to his family and his Faith. He was an active member of South Church in Lansing, and was known to give of himself freely to others. Bob was always present with his children and grandchildren. Despite working long hours at GM, he was present and deeply involved with his children and grandchildren, whether it be homework, sporting events, or family vacations. He enjoyed time spent with family in the outdoors, especially waterskiing, sailing, and practicing the art of photography. Many will remember

Bob's famous homemade ice cream, which he shared with all who knew and loved him.

Bob is survived by his wife of 34 years, Coral Hanje; daughter, Brittany (Scott) Mathewson; sons, Justin (Alyssa) Hanje and Jonathan (Emily) Hanje; grandchildren, Jessa, Riley, and Eli Hanje, and Ella and Theodore "Teddy" Mathewson; mother, Lois Kennedy; brother, Charles (Joy) Hanje; and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his father, Arthur Hanje and his brother, Marc Hanje.

Friends are encouraged to support Robert's family by attending services or sharing memories on his Tribute Page at [www.prayfuneral.com](http://www.prayfuneral.com). Visitation will be at South Church in Lansing on Thursday, April 22, 2021 from 2:00 - 4:00 and 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 24, 2021 at South Church with Pastor Don Denyes officiating. Interment will take place in Lexington Cemetery in Lexington, OH. Mask, group capacity, and distancing guidelines will be practiced. Throughout their lives together, both Bob and Coral supported the Samaritan's Purse Christian Charity, and encourage those wishing to make a donation in Bob's memory to do so at [www.samaritanaspurse.org](http://www.samaritanaspurse.org). If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to Samaritan's Purse. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

The funeral service on Saturday may be viewed via webcast at [southlife.org/funeral](http://southlife.org/funeral).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **22.** 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

South Church  
5250 Cornerstone Dr  
Lansing, MI 48917

## Visitation

APR **22.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

South Church  
5250 Cornerstone Dr  
Lansing, MI 48917

## Funeral Ceremony

APR **24.** 11:00 AM (ET)

South Church  
5250 Cornerstone Dr  
Lansing, MI 48917

# Tribute Wall

EL

“ *We are so sorry for your loss.*

*Ellen and Mike Lander (neighbor)*

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**Ellen Lander** - May 21, 2021 at 09:14 PM

TC

“ *Lois, I am so sorry for the loss of your son Bob. My condolences to you/ his family. Although I only met Bob once at his brother Marc's Celebration of Life, Marc spoke of him often. He had a deep love and respect for Bob. I know there was great rejoicing of these 2 brothers, God has reclaimed another one of his own. I pray for God's grace at this time of deep loss. Terri Cloutier*

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**Terri Cloutier** - April 28, 2021 at 09:00 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert Lynn Hanje.*



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April 23, 2021 at 09:22 AM

CD

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**catherine ruth davids** - April 22, 2021 at 12:02 PM

CD

*March 1961. My Cousin Bob was 5 and I was 13. That kind and generous and everlasting smile greeted everyone he met. And then he took it home to Jesus who was also smiling.*

catherine ruth davids - April 22, 2021 at 12:05 PM

DT

*“ I wish I had words to express my sincere sympathies for my cousin’s family. Bob was the greatest example of a Christian man, he always had that sweet smile on his face! He was a soft spoken, gentle man who seemed to have unlimited time to take care of his family. I witnessed his love for his mother, his sweet wife, and his children and grandchildren but most of all his love for our Lord. There’s no doubt about where he will spend eternity. I know he was greeted by God who said “well done my faithful servant”. We will miss Bob but he will never be forgotten. We love our Hanje families. So blessed and thankful to have spent time with Bob and her s family these past years.*



Deb and Neal Twellman - April 22, 2021 at 11:53 AM

CC

“ My brother-in-law was such a kind and loving man. A true example of Christ likeness. Always a good word, always a servant's heart and a huge capacity to love. How he will be missed. He opened his home to my children and impacted my son as a surrogate dad for the year he lived with them. As with my own father, it seems too soon for someone so fine to depart. But his faith confirms with my faith that God's ways are mysterious, but always good - we just have to wait until we no longer "see in part" to understand. I will always be grateful for the part this dear man played in the lives of my family. He leaves a strong legacy to those who follow. Indeed his soul is at rest and where he is there is rejoicing!



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**Crystal Copper** - April 21, 2021 at 08:52 PM

CS

“ My sincere condolences to Coral and family. My prayers go out to all you. Cheryl (Armstrong) Smith

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**Cheryl Smith** - April 21, 2021 at 08:23 PM

DF

“ Our thoughts and prayers are for Coral and family.

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**Don Armstrong and family** - April 21, 2021 at 07:58 PM

MK

“ *Sending prayers of support and comfort to Coral and family from Marla Kochheiser*

marla kochheiser - April 21, 2021 at 07:44 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Robert Lynn Hanje.*



April 21, 2021 at 04:15 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Robert Lynn Hanje.*



April 21, 2021 at 01:53 PM

CW

“ *Chad & Carol Walker lit a candle in memory of Robert Lynn Hanje*



Chad & Carol Walker - April 21, 2021 at 01:22 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert Lynn Hanje.* ”



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April 21, 2021 at 11:06 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert Lynn Hanje.* ”



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April 21, 2021 at 10:13 AM



“ *Dean and Colleen Sharick purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Robert Lynn Hanje.* ”



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**Dean and Colleen Sharick** - April 21, 2021 at 09:10 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert Lynn Hanje.* ”



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April 21, 2021 at 09:07 AM

MG

“ *Mary Grimes purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Robert Lynn Hanje.*



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**Mary Grimes** - April 21, 2021 at 08:47 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert Lynn Hanje.*



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April 20, 2021 at 10:36 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Robert Lynn Hanje.*



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April 20, 2021 at 09:50 PM



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April 20, 2021 at 08:34 PM



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April 20, 2021 at 08:26 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Robert Lynn Hanje.*



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April 20, 2021 at 08:09 PM