



Robert Justin Wood

July 16, 1932 - March 16, 2025

Robert "Bob" Justin Wood, a great story teller and very talented man, went home to be with the Lord on Sunday, March 16, 2025. Bob, 92, of Charlotte was born on July 16, 1932 in Battle Creek, Michigan, the son of Thomas and Agnes Fern (Arnold) Wood. Bob married Karen Sederlund on July 16, 1966. Bob grew up quickly; having lost his father when he was 12-years-old he quit school soon afterwards and was granted a hardship driver's license at age 13. He worked three different jobs to help support his mother and younger siblings; he instilled this same work ethic and sense of responsibility in his children. Feeling that education is important he later finished his education and eventually worked for the State of Michigan as a surface water quality investigator, where he retired from the DNR in 1994.

Never a dull moment with Bob, his interests and hobbies were many, including antique tractor and car restoration, antique clock restoration, fishing, hunting, gardening, nurturing fruit trees, riding motorcycles and snowmobiles. He passed down the enjoyment of many of his favorite pastimes to his children. Bob and Karen owned a cabin within the Chippewa River Vista, where they could often be found over holidays and weekends enjoying and hosting family and friends. Bob loved all things nature and out-of-doors related.

Bob never slowed down after retirement, he loved to be busy and had an excellent work ethic. His religion was very important to him, he was an active member of the First Baptist Church of Charlotte where he enjoyed serving on numerous committee positions and special projects. He was also a lifelong

member of the Kalamo Masonic Temple, a 3rd Degree Mason.

Antique tractor and car restoration was a passion, including the restoration of his 1941 Farmall BN, purchased in 1950 at the age of eighteen. He was a member of the Central Michigan Two-Cylinder Club. Bob and Karen enjoyed numerous trips in the MGB convertible that he diligently restored. Eventually, Bob and Karen started spending winters in Florida, making Englewood their home away from home where they quickly made new friends and became regular members of the Englewood Church of the Nazarene.

Bob is survived by his loving wife, Karen; children, Mike Wood, Sherry Wood Copenhaver, Dana Wood, Terry Wood, and Jon (Kim) Wood; grandchildren, Troy (Tonya) Pitcher, Shawn (Mike) Miller, Kristine Latchaw, Mark (Laura) Wood, Ashton (Chelsey) Wood, Brennon Wood (engaged to Paige Bird), Alexis (Joe) Wood-Anzaldua, Brooke Wood (engaged to Nick Burzycki), Jordan Wood, and Katelyn Wood; 21 great-grandchildren; nine great-great-grandchildren; sister, Lorna (Wood) Crawford; and a number of nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a daughter, JulieAnna Wood; son, Matthew Wood; grandsons, Randy Pitcher and Skylar Wood; siblings, Dennis Wood, Larry Wood, Pauline (Wood) Webster, Sam Wood, and Thomas Wood Jr.

Friends are encouraged to support Bob's family by attending services or sharing memories on his Tribute Page at www.prayfuneral.com <<http://www.prayfuneral.com>>. Visitation is Wednesday, March 19, 6-8:00 p.m. at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte. Funeral services are Thursday, March 20, 11:00 a.m. at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte with Pastor Pete Kroll officiating. The funeral will be webcast so you may watch it from any computer, smartphone, or mobile device that has internet access. Go to www.prayfuneral.com <<http://www.prayfuneral.com>>, click on Bob's tribute, then click on Photos and Videos from your computer (or Media from your smart phone). If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to First Baptist Church Jamaican Mission Trips. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Cemetery Details

Hillside (Kalamo) Cemetery

1459 S. Ionia Rd
Vermontville, MI 49096

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 19. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home
401 W Seminary St
Charlotte, MI 48813

Funeral

MAR 20. 11:00 AM (ET)

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401 W Seminary St
Charlotte, MI 48813

Burial

MAR 20 (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Webcast in memory of Robert Justin Wood*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - March 20, 2025 at 10:40 AM



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert Justin Wood*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - March 19, 2025 at 01:27 PM

RL

we were sorry we could not make the service. Bob was instrumental in changing my life. He was the most wonderful brother in Christ anyone could ever have.

Rick & Karen Lundgren

Rick & Karen Lundgren - April 15, 2025 at 08:38 AM

CW

“ Chad & Carol Walker lit a candle in memory of Robert Justin Wood



Chad & Carol Walker - March 20, 2025 at 10:33 AM



“ 65 files added to the album Life Tributes



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - March 19, 2025 at 01:23 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Robert Justin Wood.

March 19, 2025 at 09:32 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Robert Justin Wood.



March 19, 2025 at 09:32 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert Justin Wood.*



March 19, 2025 at 09:05 AM



“ *The Conroy family purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Robert Justin Wood.*



The Conroy family - March 19, 2025 at 08:37 AM



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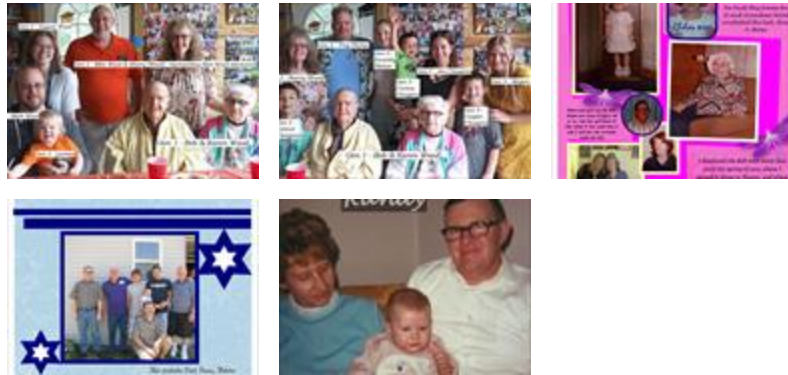
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March 19, 2025 at 08:24 AM

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Sherry R Copenhaver - March 19, 2025 at 06:54 AM

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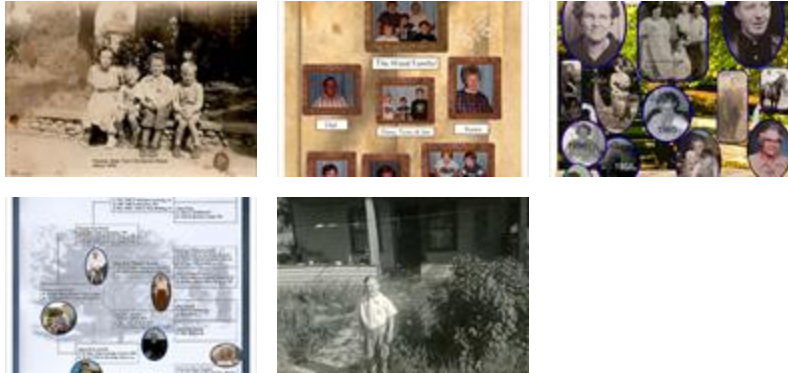
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Sherry R Copenhaver - March 19, 2025 at 06:53 AM

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“ 20 files added to the tribute wall



Sherry R Copenhaver - March 19, 2025 at 06:50 AM

TL

“ To the whole woods family sorry for your loss I know how close he was with all you guys, always enjoyed all the conversation and humor when you all came in my dad Napa store getting your latest project you guys was all working. My thought and prayers are with you guys during these difficult times.

Todd Lahr - March 18, 2025 at 08:21 PM