



Robert Alfred Larson

December 12, 1935 - October 18, 2012

Robert Alfred Larson was born December 12, 1935 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to Siegfried and Pauline (Baierl) Larson. Bob grew up in Pittsburgh, where he attended McNaugher grade school, and went on to graduate from West View High School in 1953. In high school, Bob participated in football, basketball and volleyball. He was also captain of his track team and was a chess champion. Following high school, he attended Grove City College where he earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration in 1957. He ran track, played football, participated in ROTC and was a member of the Nu Lambda Phi Fraternity at Grove City. After college, Bob enlisted in the United States Air Force where he served in England from August 1957 until his honorable discharge in November 1960, holding the rank of 1st Lieutenant.

Bob married Irma May Hemmrich on November 16, 1957 at Christ Lutheran Church in Pittsburgh, and to this union, six children were born: Jeffrey, Cheryl, Michelle, Kristin, and twins Erin and Sean. The family has made their home in Pennsylvania, England, New Jersey and for the last 30 years, Omaha, Nebraska.

Bob worked for many years in the insurance industry as an agent, manager, regional manager, and attained the title of Regional Vice President of the Central States of Omaha. He has been retired for 12 years. Bob was an avid

sports fan, and was dedicated to his teams from Pittsburgh, especially the Steelers. He enjoyed playing cards, reading, swimming, traveling, trips to the casino, and going to the movies. He was a fan of family reunions, big band music, especially Glenn Miller, '50's music, and diners.

Bob often had a skip in his walk or a two-step dance. He was happy to put his family and others first. He was the type of man who would give you his last dollar. His family will remember him as a compassionate, thoughtful, generous family man, who had a naughty side and could be a jokester. He was married to the love of his life, Irma for 55 years, and was very proud of his children and grandchildren. Bob, the eternal optimist, will be remembered for his friendly and funny personality that drew everyone to him. He was a role model and a hero to many.

Bob passed away on Thursday, October 18, 2012, at Methodist Hospital in Omaha, Nebraska, at the age of 76 years, just shy of his 77th birthday. He was preceded in death by his parents, Siegfried and Pauline, and many aunts and uncles. Bob is survived by wife Irma of Omaha; sons Jeff (Cindy) and Sean (Enita); daughters Cheryl (Chuck) Oakes, Michelle (Tim) Wertz, Kristin, Erin (Jim) Ellis; and 12 grandchildren. He was an amazing husband, father and grandfather and loved by all. He had a way of making everyone feel special.

Robert A. Larson, 12-12-35 – 10-18-12. Raised and loved by the Baierl family of Pittsburgh, PA. Survived by wife of 55 years, Irma of Omaha, sons Jeff (Cindy), Sean (Enita); daughters: Cheryl Oakes (Chuck), Michelle Wertz (Tim), Kristin, Erin Ellis (Jim) and 12 grandchildren. He opened his arms to many.

Funeral service 11 AM Thursday, 10/25/12, Lutheran Church of the Master, 2617 S. 114th St. The family will receive friends Wednesday 10/24/12 from 5-8 PM at the funeral home in Elkhorn. Donations in lieu of flowers to:

CureSearch-National Childhood Cancer Foundation or the Omaha Public Library Foundation.

Tribute Wall



“ *Robert Alfred Larson*

December 10, 2022 at 09:12 AM



“ *Dear Erin & family,
Please know I was thinking of you and praying for you on Wednesday evening and on Thursday morning. I know your dad heard the voices of 20 earthly angels on Wednesday evening singing their praises to our Heavenly Father and to him. My heart goes out to you and your family, knowing how very difficult this is and the void that you are all feeling. My greatest comfort at my mother's funeral was staring at the beautiful cross at the front of our church and drawing strength from it knowing that she was home and in the presence of her Savior, feeling no more pain and at complete peace and happiness. They will always be with us and we must continue their precious legacy here on this earth. Please let me know if there is anything I can do or if you ever simply need a friend to talk to or a shoulder to cry on - - I will be there for you!
Love you lots!*

Jennifer Lathrum - October 27, 2012 at 12:09 PM



“ *Erin, Jim and family, My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this sad time. I met your folks and know how special they were and I know your dad will be greatly missed by all of you. Connie Dolezal*

Connie Dolezal - October 25, 2012 at 04:17 PM

JP

“ We are so sorry for the loss of your much loved Bob. He was such a sweet man . I know his children & grandchildren will always remember him with love and respect.
The Petersen Family

Jane & Rich Petersen - October 24, 2012 at 03:06 PM

DW

“ Our deepest sympathies to Irma and family. We will really miss Bob. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Dave and LaVon Wells - October 24, 2012 at 11:54 AM

~S

“ It is with a heavy heart and great sadness I offer you all my most sincere condolences. Bob ws such a fun loving, positive and happy person! I always enjoyed being around him - always smiling. He WILL be missed! Prayers that all of you find strength amongst each other throughout the week and in times to come.

~Cindy Oakes Schilling~ - October 22, 2012 at 12:42 AM

BF

“ Our deepest sympathies to Irma and family. We will miss his wry sense of humour and generosity of spirit. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all, and may the wonderful memories help to ease your loss.

Bill and Hope Ross and family - October 21, 2012 at 05:04 PM

PN

“ *My deepest sympathy to all of you. I have very fond memories of Mr. Larson and the time I spent with your family when Cheryl and I were roommates. My thoughts and prayers are with you in this difficult time.*

Patti Matzel Noble - October 21, 2012 at 01:32 PM