



Mr. Robert Allen Leibold of Bartlett

June 12, 1927 - December 17, 2019

Robert "Bob" Allen Leibold of Bartlett, IL, formerly of South Barrington, IL, passed away December 17, 2019.

Bob was predeceased by Bernice Leibold, his adored wife of 69 years, by just three months. He cherished his children Karen (Steven Ratiner), Thomas (Julie DeLuca), Steven (Maria Gragasin-Leibold), Paula (James Raymond Kinney III), and thoroughly enjoyed being Pop-Pop to Adam (Stephenie Harper), Christian, Sara, Lucas, JR, Amelia, Emily, and great-grandfather to George Harper. Bob was a friend to many. He is loved immensely and will be greatly missed.

Bob was born in West Reading, PA in 1927 where he lived until joining the Navy after high school. He served in WWII as a Motor Machinist's Mate Third Class Petty Officer on the Minesweeper YMS53 that included duty in the East China Sea and southern Formosa. Upon his safe return home he began working as a telephone lineman for Pennsylvania Bell.

Bob met Bernice on a blind date and they married in 1950. Shortly thereafter, he made a career change and became a Claims Adjuster for American Casualty Company (CNA). Bob's increasing responsibilities at American Casualty led his growing family on a journey through Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Boston, Los Angeles, and finally to the CNA headquarters in Chicago as Executive Vice President... settling in Naperville in 1971.

In 1979 Bob left CNA for an opportunity to join Allstate Insurance as President and CEO of Northbrook Property and Casualty. This led to a move to South Barrington where they resided until 2014.

Bob and Bernice loved spending time with family - hosting "June Days", traveling extensively, golfing, fishing, dancing, enjoying friends, and cheering on the Chicago Bears. He was an avid photographer and took many memorable photographs during their travels. Bob took great pride in growing roses and all were able to enjoy his beautiful garden every

summer. They also spent time at their lake home in Wautoma, WI, and the cold Chicago winters were spent in Palm Springs, CA.

Bob and Bernice were founding members of the Holy Family Catholic Community in Inverness. Bob proudly served as Chair of the Pastoral Council, Chair of the Finance Committee, and Chair of the Cross of New Life project. The commissioning of the Cross of New Life was a major design and manufacturing accomplishment, and the amazing 2,000 pound work of art now graces the worship space of the parish.

Family and friends will gather on Saturday, December 21, 2019 at Holy Family Catholic Community, 2515 West Palatine Road, Inverness. Visitation will begin at 1:00 pm and the Mass of Christian Burial will follow at 2:00 pm.

Entombment to follow at St. Michael the Archangel Cemetery, Palatine, IL.

In lieu of flowers we ask that you consider a donation to Journeys / The Road Home journeystheroadhome.org a local organization that provides shelter and services to those who are homeless, and one which Bob actively supported.

This Life Tributes page has been created to make it easy for Family and Friends to share memories, photos and videos.

For further information about this funeral; please contact the Morizzo Funeral Directors at 847.752.6444. Arrangements entrusted to Morizzo Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 2550 West Hassell Road, (Northeast corner at Barrington Road), Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60169.

Cemetery

St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Cemetery in Palatine

1185 West Algonquin Road
Palatine, IL, 60067

Events

DEC 21 Visitation 01:00PM - 02:00PM

Holy Family Catholic Church in Inverness
2515 West Palatine Road, Inverness, IL, US, 60067

DEC 21 Mass of Christian Burial 02:00PM

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Comments



“ I am very sorry to hear of Bob Leibold’s passing. When we moved into the South Barrington building, I was a secretary in the executive wing, working with Don Shanks, then Jim Strohl. He would occasionally come down the hall from his and Dottie’s domain to tell us a joke, and I loved his dry, sometimes hokey sense of humor. My condolences to all his family and friends.
Marcia Bolsinga

Marcia Bolsinga - December 23, 2019 at 12:15 PM



“ Greetings to the family. I am proud to say it was my pleasure to work directly for Bob at Allstate. He was a great boss and a true gentleman. My wife Kay and I had a warm relationship with both Bob and Bernice. We are in Florida and learned of his death yesterday. From Jim Strohl

Mr James Strohl - December 21, 2019 at 03:23 PM



“ One memory of my Uncle Bob and Aunt Bernice and Nana Leibold. Sometime in the early 60's, Nana Leibold, my Mother Evelyn and her three children (Glenn, Bobby and Jay) were invited to visit Uncle Bob & Family for a vacation, to include a trip to Ox Lake, Minnesota during our stay. On the trip to visit we had to change buses in Chicago, I'll and Nana Leibold was determined we should ride on a double-decker Greyhound bus that the Company advertised heavily. We had to wait for the next one and we got to walk around downtown Chicago. I had never been to a big city with skyscrapers, quite an experience for me! After visiting their home for a few days we all packed and left for Ox Lake. On the way we passed a huge Paul Bunyon and Babe the Blue Ox, big, very BIG. We stayed in a cabin by the Lake complete with a large trampoline that got a lot of use while we were there. One morning Uncle Bob took me fishing on the Lake in a small aluminum boat (a first for me). Once we reached a good spot, Uncle Bob taught me to cast out then slowly pull back and slowly reel in and repeat, to attract the fish with the shiny lure. After casting and reeling in awhile I got the hang of it. Uncle Bob said we'll go back to the cabin soon. I cast out and reeled in very slowly for the last time, when the lure got close to the boat Uncle Bob looked over the boat and said I had attracted a large Bass right up to the boat but the fish wouldn't bite because the fish had seen the boat. I was hooked on fishing! My heartfelt condolences to all in the Family.

Glenn Oplinger

Glenn Oplinger - December 21, 2019 at 02:03 PM



“ A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of Robert Allen Leibold.



December 20, 2019 at 12:48 PM



“ On behalf of Mary Puscheck, please accept our deepest condolences at the loss of Bob.

My mom has shared with me often the wonderful memories she has of Bernice and Bob, especially when they met years ago in Naperville at St. Raphael, playing pinochle. Many family milestones were attended by these two, including my wedding, and my mom's 75th birthday party to name just a few.

I've sent them cards at Christmas for years until the last couple of years, and I will fondly remember these two for years to come!

Jeannie Coe, nee Puscheck

Jeannie Coe - December 20, 2019 at 11:59 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert Allen Leibold.



December 20, 2019 at 11:25 AM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Robert Allen Leibold.



December 19, 2019 at 11:47 PM



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December 19, 2019 at 11:31 AM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Robert Allen Leibold.



December 19, 2019 at 09:32 AM