



Robert Charles Hoard, Jr.

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Robert, known as Bob to family and friends, found peace on November 10th, 2025, following a brief period of illness. He was supported by his loving wife and sons in his final days.

Bob was born in Detroit, MI, on October 9th, 1949. He proudly served eight years in the National Guard. He graduated from Wayne State University with a Master's degree in technical and vocational education. He spent over 35 years as an educator at Oakland Technical Center where he curated his own program in motorcycle and marine repair. He had a passion for empowering students to realize their value and potential, supporting them at national trade school competitions through the SkillsUSA (formerly VICA) organization. He also worked with Mercury Marine to equip his classroom with the latest engines and tools to help train local Mercury technicians. In his later years, Bob enjoyed chauffeuring vehicles for the automotive OEM's, giving him the opportunity to drive new and exotic cars.

Outside of work, Bob was passionate about spending time on the boat with his family and going for rides on his motorcycle. He loved to tinker and fix anything mechanical. Bob was kind, outgoing, and made friends everywhere he went. He was the person everyone would call for advice or for help when something needed repair. He was a caring husband, father, grandfather,

brother, and uncle. He was a dedicated cub scout leader, soccer coach, referee, and church usher. He also enjoyed giving back to his community through the local Lions Club.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Frances. He is survived by his loving wife of 44 years Ruth Ann Hoard, sister Kathy (Joseph) Schur, sister-in-law Diane Dulzer, sons Michael (Lauren) Hoard and Jeffrey (Kimberly) Hoard, and three beloved grandchildren: Oliver, Brody, and Isabelle.

Visitation services will be held at Wasik Funeral Home in Shelby Twp., MI, on Thursday, November 20th from 2:00-8:00 p.m. A funeral mass will be held at St. Isidore Catholic Church in Macomb, MI, on Friday, November 21st, gathering at 9:30a.m. with mass starting at 10:00 a.m.

Those wishing to honor Bob's memory may consider donations to the Selfridge Chesterfield chapter of the Lions Club (<https://bit.ly/BobHoardmemorial>) or the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation - Michigan Chapter (<https://bit.ly/BobHoardCCFA>)

Through his kindness, generosity, and career in education, Bob touched the lives of many, and will be greatly missed.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

NOV **20**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home, Shelby Township
49150 Schoenherr Rd.
Shelby Township, MI 48315
(586) 532-8600
shelby@wasikfuneralhome.com

Instate in church

NOV **21**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Isidore Catholic Church
18201 23 Mile Rd.
Macomb, MI 48042

Memorial Mass

NOV **21**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 PM (ET)

St. Isidore Catholic Church
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Macomb, MI 48042

Tribute Wall

BB

“ *Mr. Hoard was my Instructor at Oakland Technical Center. He showed me that even though I was a girl I could do anything I put my mind to. This breaks my heart that I was not aware of his passing and was unable to say goodbye and thank you for all he had done for me. He was by far the best instructor that I have ever had.*

Brandy Bloomfield - May 19 at 08:39 AM

GW

“ *With heartfelt sympathy, I pray for peace and comfort for you, Ruth Ann, and your family. Sincerely, Gloria W.*

Gloria W. - November 24, 2025 at 02:48 PM

TF

“ *The Lati Family purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Robert Charles Hoard, Jr..*



The Lati Family - November 17, 2025 at 04:30 PM

LM

“ *We will miss our leader of the pack, Captain Bob. We will always remember the many wonderful boating trips with Bob and Ruth Ann and others. Prayers to Ruth Ann and all the family during this difficult time. We will be thinking of you.*

Lisa and Sarkis Mikhjian - November 16, 2025 at 04:14 PM

DB

“ *The F.R. Dulzer Family planted a grove of 3 Memorial Trees in honor of Bob.*

Debbie Barry - November 16, 2025 at 12:31 PM

DB

“ *Deborah B. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert Charles Hoard, Jr..*

Deborah B. - November 16, 2025 at 12:05 PM

PL

“ *Pontiac Lunch: Mary, Deb, Lora & Lorene purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Robert Charles Hoard, Jr..*



Pontiac Lunch: Mary, Deb, Lora & Lorene - November 13, 2025 at 11:36 AM

HV

“ *Hewson & VanHellemont purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Robert Charles Hoard, Jr..*



Hewson & VanHellemont - November 12, 2025 at 09:56 AM

HV

“ *Hewson & VanHellemont planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert Charles Hoard, Jr..*

Hewson & VanHellemont - November 12, 2025 at 09:56 AM