



Robert William Matt

April 1, 1953 - August 9, 2023

NEW HARTFORD - Robert William Matt passed away unexpectedly from a massive heart attack on Wednesday, August 9, 2023 with his wife and sons by his side.

Bob was born in Utica on April 1, 1953 to the late John A. Matt, Sr. and Virginia (Haley) Matt. Bob graduated from Whitesboro High School in 1971 and then went on to earn a BS in Electrical Engineering from Clarkson University, his MBA from Union College, and an additional MS in Computer Science from RPI.

Bob was currently a long-time employee of the Turning Stone Casino as a Senior Application Support Analyst. An electrical engineer by profession, Bob worked for many years for the General Electric Company (subsequently Lockheed Martin), Cortland Cable Company, and Bell Aerospace. In addition to his dedication to his career, Bob was also a long-time competitive swim official.

On August 14, 1976, Bob wed the former Lucille Inserra. They would have celebrated 47 years together this month. Bob and Lucille had a whirlwind romance; they met and married within a single year. It was a bond that was established quickly and never weakened. Their marriage also facilitated the marriage of Bob's younger brother, Jim, and Lucille's younger sister, Rosemary. Together, the four of them became a tight knit family; they supported each other through many life events, both joyous and challenging, over many years.

Bob leaves behind his beloved wife, Lucille; and two sons and their families: his eldest son, Ryan R. Matt and his wife Siân, and their children, Ryan Russel and Audrey E. Matt, and Bob's youngest son, Craig A. Matt and his wife Ashleigh, and their daughter, Aurora E. Matt. He is also survived by his two brothers, John A. Matt Jr. and his wife Maureen, his youngest brother, James E. Matt and his wife Rosemary (Inserra) Matt; and his sister-in-law, Dolores Matt. Also surviving are Bob's nieces and nephews, Brian J. Matt and his partner Bryan Fairbrother, Alycia (Matt) Magee and her husband Sean, and their two young children, James S. Magee and Izabelle R. Magee, John A. Matt, III and his wife Kimberly, Michael J. Matt and his partner Paul Batista, Patricia (Matt) Otis and her husband Jeff, Gary J. Matt, Jr. and his wife Katie, and Sean Matt. Bob is also survived by nine great-nieces and great-nephews; an aunt, Connie Inserra; and cousins, Patricia and Francis Inserra, Carol Cannerelli, and Elaine Paynter. Bob was predeceased by his brother, Gary J. Matt, Sr.; and his father-in-law and mother-in-law, R. Robert and Vincenza (Rescino) Inserra.

The family would like to especially thank their neighbors, Dr. Christopher Clark and his wife Linda for their immediate assistance the morning of Bob's passing.

While Bob was an avid Yankees, Jets, and Buffalo Bills fan, there was nothing he loved more than being with his grandchildren whom he adored. Bob's memory will be a comfort to his beloved family. Rest in peace, Bob; your kindness, love, and spirit will never be forgotten.

Visitation will be held on Sunday, August 13, 2023 from 3:00-6:00 p.m. at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc, 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Robert's Mass of Christian Burial and Celebration of Life which will commence on Monday, August 14, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. at Mary, Mother of Our Savior Parish, Lourdes Campus, 2222 Genesee Street. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

2407 Oneida Street
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 735-2727

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 13. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.
932 South Street
corner of Hammond Ave.
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 724-6714
eannacefh@roadrunner.com

Funeral Service

AUG 14. 10:00 AM (ET)

Mary, Mother of Our Savior Parish, Lourdes Campus
2222 Genesee St.
Utica, NY 13502
<https://www.motherofoursavior.org/CatholicChurch.php>

Tribute Wall

KC

“ To Lucille and your family--I am so sorry to learn of your great loss. I did not know Bob well, but I taught with Lucille and learned from her about the deep and loving bond you and Bob shared. I am sure that that bond and the love of your sons, your grandchildren, and your many friends will sustain you through this sad time. You are in my thoughts, along with the hope that the sadness you now feel will become happy memories of love and laughter. You are in my thoughts.

Kathy Chester

Katherine Chester - August 13, 2023 at 01:51 PM



“ Decadent Delights Chocolate Gift Basket was purchased for the family of Robert William Matt.



August 13, 2023 at 01:35 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert William Matt.



August 12, 2023 at 02:57 AM

BB

“ I had the pleasure of working closely with Bob from 2002 through 2008 at Turning Stone Resort & Casino. He was a quietly brilliant yet humble friend. I will forever cherish our walks late in the day, through the casino to watch our projects, which once started as an idea in a test bed, through many hours and days of testing and hard work, come to fruition and being enjoyed by the guests at the casino. Quietly brilliant, humble and proud mentor. Your style forever ingrained in my work ethic. I will miss you brother.

Barrett Burke - August 12, 2023 at 02:47 AM

DM

Bob Matt was the best of the best! While traveling with him in Europe in 2007, he was our patient, thoughtful no-one-left-behind perfect gentleman companion. Personable and funny, always a smile, he will be greatly missed. My prayers are with the Matt family and my children and I send our love and condolences
Diane Maliani, David and Marianna-Hope

Diane G Maliani - August 13, 2023 at 01:03 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Robert William Matt.



August 11, 2023 at 07:09 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Robert William Matt.



August 11, 2023 at 05:30 PM

MN

“ Mark Nardella planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert William Matt.

Mark Nardella - August 11, 2023 at 12:48 PM

MN

“ Mark Nardella purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Robert William Matt.



Mark Nardella - August 11, 2023 at 12:48 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert William Matt.



August 11, 2023 at 09:47 AM

LN

“ Lavern & Ronnie Nelson purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Robert William Matt.



Lavern & Ronnie Nelson - August 11, 2023 at 09:02 AM



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

August 10, 2023 at 05:45 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert William Matt.



August 10, 2023 at 05:45 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert William Matt.



August 10, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ A smile, a kind and genuine hello, a helping hand to anyone in need..the world has lost a very special man. Lucille and family..I am so saddened to hear of Bob's passing. Heartfelt thoughts and prayers sent your way.

Elizabeth Sacco - August 10, 2023 at 03:05 PM



sorry about your loss i always remember your family from my days at marcy food center and bob gave my son his first job at walmart distribution center god rest his soul

kamil zogby - August 15, 2023 at 11:22 AM