



Mr. Roy L. Duhart

May 8, 1950 - May 22, 2022

UTICA – Mr. Roy L. Duhart, age 72, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, May 22, 2022, in the comfort and dignity of his home.

Roy was born in Perry, GA, on May 8, 1950, to the late George Washington Duhart, Sr. and Hester A. (Fuller) Duhart. Roy was a graduate of Utica Free Academy/Class of 1968. After that, Roy furthered his studies at MVCC, receiving a degree in HVAC.

On March 12, 1976, Roy married the former Gwendolyn R. Brown with whom he shared over 46 years. He supported his family with his career as an engineer. At one time, he held a position at GE at French Road and then eventually retired from a position as an engineer for Verizon. A man who was always hungry for more knowledge, Roy was loved by his community. He will be remembered for his infectious laugh.

For fun, Roy enjoyed reading—especially self-improvement books—and completing crossword puzzles. A man of faith, Roy attended Kingdom Hall of Jehovah’s Witness.

Roy is survived by his wife, Gwen; and his daughters, Rachel L. Duhart and fiancé Philip Caporale, and Jessica Duhart-Robinson and her husband Wyatt Robinson. Roy will live on in the hearts of his grandchildren, Roy K.D. Robinson, Wyatt O. Robinson III, and Kole M.D. Robinson. He leaves behind his sister and brother-in-law, Mary A. and Lawrence Cross, Sr.; and his brothers and sisters-in-law, Ernest C. and Bonita Duhart, Eule E. Duhart, George W. Jr. and Gloria Duhart, and Edgar Sim and Sabrina Duhart. Roy

held close the memory of his siblings who preceded him, Nancy Duhart, Julius Duhart, and Queen Ester Duhart; as well as his sisters-in-law, Mary Duhart, Patricia Brown Duhart, Joanne Brown, and Amelia Brown; and the memory of his brothers-in-law, Alfred Brown, and Gyrate Brown. Roy will be fondly remembered by his in-laws, Lorie and Joseph Pelzer, Connie and Bishop Edward Corton, Alexandria and John Gore, and John and Cheri Brown. Roy also leaves to mourn a host of nieces, nephews, and other family members. The Duhart family would like to thank the physicians who attended to Roy for their kindness and professionalism. The family will honor his life in a private gathering.

Tribute Wall



“ Roy opened my eyes to the predigests going on all around me in every day life I didn't see before . Rest in peace my friend , you left us way to soon . Joseph R. Cotrupe jr.

Josepe R. Cotrupe Jr. - February 20, 2023 at 09:59 PM



“ Lonnie Brown lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy L. Duhart



Lonnie Brown - August 30, 2022 at 12:01 PM



“ I am truly sorry for your loss. I used to meet this great guy, at Dunkin Donuts on Oneida Square. Not only that smile, but I loved his laugh. Going to miss you my friend.

John Capraro

John Capraro - June 01, 2022 at 10:56 AM



Great guy. I also use to meet him on Sat. mornings at Dunkin Donuts. R.I.P. good friend.

Chet Dougherty - June 27, 2022 at 05:03 PM

DC

“ I am deeply saddened to hear of Roy's passing. I worked with Roy for many years at Verizon. We shared numerous stories and countless laughs. I had the utmost respect for Roy, considered him a friend, and will miss him. Rest in Peace my friend. Thoughts and Prayers to the Family.

Dave Collea - May 31, 2022 at 03:59 PM

GA

“ I was sorry to hear of Roy's passing. My condolences go out to his family.

Roy was a true gentleman and a community asset.

He always had a smile and a kind word. I would kid around with him because we often ran across each other at Dunkin Donuts and I told him that was his office.

I first worked with Roy when he was a Board Member for the HomeOwnership Center.

More recently I had the pleasure of helping Roy to purchase his home from the Utica Urban Renewal Agency.

The community is much poorer with out Roy.

Gene A. Allen - May 31, 2022 at 02:53 PM

JF

“ Praying For The Families He Will Be Missed
His Talks Were Always Good Information RIP
Roy



Jackson Workman and Prince Families - May 31, 2022 at 07:53 AM

IC

“ Sending our prayers and condolences to the family 🙏



Ida Cook - May 28, 2022 at 09:45 AM

DD

“ I'm the first cousin of Roy L. Duhart !! My name is Darlene Duhart from Miami, Florida. You all have been in my prayers all day. My prayer for the family is to continue to be steadfast and know that Our Heavenly Father is with you all as you grieve for the loss of Cousin Roy. I also pray that you all will depart from your journey safely back home safe during this Holiday weekend. Later Cuz Roy. We will see you again one day at the Pearly Gateway to Heaven 🙏
To the daughter of Cuz Roy, the door of the Duhart's are always open to you and with love 💕 and gratefulness. Sorry, I couldn't be there for you. One 💕 of the Father in Christ Jesus mighty name. Gone but never forgotten. Rest In Peace Cuz, Love Christine D. Lester, Edmond J. Duhart, Darlene G. Duhart !!



Darlene G. Duhart - May 27, 2022 at 05:53 PM

RW

“ I was privileged to be in Roy's graduating high school class of 1968. Roy was a gentle and wise soul, kind and a friend....singing and laughing now in a new choir....



Richard Withers - May 27, 2022 at 04:57 PM

EP

“ Elizabeth Patterson-Moyer lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy L. Duhart



Elizabeth Patterson-Moyer - May 27, 2022 at 03:14 PM

JW

“ I was a classmate and friend of Roy in High School. He was elected Senior Class President because of his warm personality, outgoing and friendly demeanor. I am so sorry to have lost touch with him after high school. Love and condolences to his family. Rest In Peace, Roy.

Janice (Mierzwa) Wnuk - May 27, 2022 at 12:45 PM

MB

“ Marcel and Jennifer wish to express our condolences to all family and friends. Death is an enemy. It leaves a hole in our hearts. We are so sorry for our loss. May you be comforted in all the fond memories that you cherish. In time the pain will lessen some. Once again we pray for your comfort. Marcel and Jennifer Bembry



Marcel Bembry - May 27, 2022 at 08:33 AM

AT

“ REMEMBERING ROY

Roy was a very blessed man, because God placed you Josephine in Roy's life to Love and Care for him until his final breath. It was always a joy to the entire family when you and Roy would come for visits over the years. I'm so very grateful to the both of you for being here and supporting me and the rest of the family during the passing of my son. Roy also was a great support to you and the family during other family members passings. Roy would turn sadness into joy. Roy was also a prayer warrior. He made the last family reunion the best ever with his humor. Everyone will miss him. Josephine God has a Special Crown for you for all you have done for Roy throughout his illness. We Love Roy and we definitely Love you Josephine. Keep Roy in your heart and you will see him again according to God's word. My condolences goes out to you Josephine and Roy's entire family and friends. May God Bless, Keep, and Comfort all of us during this difficult time is my prayer. Your Loving and Caring Sister,
Alverdean Tindell

Alverdean Tindell - May 26, 2022 at 11:08 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Roy L. Duhart.



May 26, 2022 at 08:02 PM



“ Me and Roy graduated in the class of 68 from UFA. While pastoring in Utica, at Hope Chapel AME Zion church I would run into Roy at Dunkin Donuts on Mohawk Street and converse with him while there. I now reside in Buffalo NY. I am sorry to hear of his passing. RIP my friend!

Rev. Robert E. Williams - May 26, 2022 at 04:06 PM



“ I had the pleaseure of serving with Roy on the Home Ownership Center Board where he was a wonderful mentor who served with distinction. We will miss him very much, as I know his family will - Ellie Luker

Ellie Luker - May 26, 2022 at 01:57 PM



“ Willie Taylor & family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mr. Roy L. Duhart.



Willie Taylor & family - May 26, 2022 at 01:29 PM

KW

“ My thoughts and prayers to Roy's Family. I have known Roy for over 20 years through working in the community and attending many trainings through the HomeOwnership Center for community development. I would see him in his offices at "Dunkin" or Price Chopper which was a running joke we had. I will forever remember him for his sense of humor and kindness. RIP my friend.

Kelly Walters - May 26, 2022 at 11:39 AM

BL

“ I was I was in a program at utica College when we were in high school. We would run into each other around rown and always have a good laugh. He will be missed. Such a great person.

Bill liberatore - May 26, 2022 at 10:19 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Roy L. Duhart.



May 26, 2022 at 10:02 AM

MC

“ Josephine I'm truly sorry to hear of the passing of Roy. I know how much you both loved each other. I will miss his presence as he always had me laughing. He was truly an amazing guy. May he RIP. Keeping you in my prayers.
LOVE ALWAYS MARIA

Maria Colon - May 26, 2022 at 09:23 AM

MG

“ Condolences to Roy's Family and friends. I had the honor of working on The Home Ownership Center Board with Roy. He loved his Community and always went above and Beyond to do whatever he could to make Positive change. He'll be Dearly missed.

Mary Griffin - May 26, 2022 at 09:22 AM

B&

“ To the family, with deepest sympathy of the loss of your love one. I (we) send our love, prayers and comfort during this time of bereavement. Sharing your sadness, The Brown family

BridgetL Brown &family - May 26, 2022 at 09:12 AM

BI

“ Josephine, I am so sorry for your loss, please know that you are in my thoughts. You were an amazing partner and caregiver to Roy, and he was such a wonderful man.

Bernadette Inserra - May 26, 2022 at 09:11 AM

HN

“ My condolences to Josephine and the Duhart family. There are too many beautiful moments of having dinners and going out to eat to mention. Josephine you did a wonderful and beautiful job of loving and caring for Mr. Roy that you have inspired me. He was always a very kind and jovial person. We all shared so much joy and laughter. Very unforgettable. May he RIP

Hazel Nelson - May 26, 2022 at 08:50 AM

BF

“ *Brenda Dallas Fudge lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy L. Duhart*



brenda dallas fudge - May 26, 2022 at 07:36 AM

BF

My condolences to the family. Whenever I ran into Roy we always talked about our families and good times we had growing up. Will miss the conversation and laughter. Rest In peace my brother.

brenda dallas fudge - May 26, 2022 at 07:39 AM

FR

My sincere sympathy to all the family. Roy was a class mate and a friend throughout our school years together. He always did everything with class even in our younger days. Student Body President of UFA class 68. Prayers to all

Frank Rachubka - May 26, 2022 at 08:31 AM

DS

My deepest sympathy to all the family. I had the great opportunity working with Roy at verizon. He was a caring person and a family man. Always smiling at work. Prayers to the family Love Darlene Reed Shelton

Darlene Shelton - May 26, 2022 at 11:46 AM

AP

I was a classmate of Roy's in UFA. He was such a kind and gentle person. Condolences to his family.

Anna Kowalchuk Pelno - May 27, 2022 at 02:12 PM

EP

My condolences to the Duhart family, in the loss of Roy.

He was a good man who was always eager and willing to work to better his community and opportunities for youth.

Prayers to Roy's family and loved ones.

Elizabeth Patterson-Moyer and Family.

Elizabeth Patterson-Moyer - May 27, 2022 at 03:13 PM

EY

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Roy's passing. I went to high school with Roy and will remember him fondly. My condolences to his entire family.*

Elaine (Kopek) Yerdon

Elaine (Kopek) Yerdon - May 26, 2022 at 07:10 AM

DW

“ *Mr. Duarte always was a true gentleman. He always asked about my daughter Janelle and would always end the conversation with compliments on how well she was doing. Rest in peace Mr. Duarte. Job well done. Sincere condolences to the Duarte family. Sending prayers of comfort and healing 🙏*



Dawn Winston - May 25, 2022 at 11:37 PM

JD

“ I had the pleasure of meeting Roy as a young child, throughout the years when we would see each other our conversations would be very engaging and would cover various topics.
Roy will be truly missed by all who encountered him.
Condolences to the entire Duhart Family.
Peace and Blessings
Jody Dorsey and Family

Jody Dorsey - May 25, 2022 at 09:17 PM

ED

“ Uncle Roy taught me about life, love in family and how to work steady. The list of lessons is long. You are dearly dearly missed Uncle Roy.

Love Eddie Du

eddie duhart - May 25, 2022 at 09:06 PM

DD

Hey Cuz, my deepest condolences to you and your siblings. Going to miss Roy as well. Cuz Darlene Du - call me

Darlene G. Duhart - May 27, 2022 at 06:31 PM

SA

“ I knew Roy from Verizon. A good man.
Steve Abel

Steve Abel - May 25, 2022 at 12:53 PM

CL

Condolences to our cousin Roy's family in their lost. Healing to them and Love. Christine Duhart Lester of Miami, Florida.

Christine D. Lester - May 27, 2022 at 01:52 PM