



## Robert E. Lynch

January 7, 1937 - August 2, 2020

Robert "Bob" E. Lynch, 83, of Kankakee passed away August 2, 2020 at his home. He was born January 7, 1937 in Paxton, IL to Robert C. and Frances B. (Swenson) Lynch. Bob married Shirley Temple October 22, 1961 at Asbury United Methodist Church.

He proudly served our country in the Army as a paratrooper. Bob was a Union Sheet-metal worker for S.M.A.R.T. Local 265 for over 50 years and retired in 1996. He enjoyed rides in the country and was a Green Bay Packers fan. He was a lifetime member of the NRA and also a lifetime member of the ISRA. His favorite pastime activities were breakfast and luncheons with fellow union retirees. He also enjoyed visiting and traveling with family and friends and visits from his grand dogs.

Robert is survived by his wife, Shirley of Kankakee, a daughter, Trish (Robert Mix) Knipfer of Dawson, IL, two nieces: Susan (Michael) Barber of Lindenhurst, IL and Debbi Short of Indianapolis, IN and several great-nieces and great-nephews.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Terry Lynch.

A visitation will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday, August 8, 2020 at Schreffler Funeral Homes, Kankakee Chapel. The funeral service will follow at 12:30 p.m. Per CDC guidelines, masks and social distancing are recommended. Cremation will follow the service. Memorials may be made to Michael J. Fox Foundation or Limestone Fire Dept.

Please sign his online guestbook at [www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com](http://www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com).



# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 8. 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Schreffler Funeral Home - Kankakee Chapel  
1900 W. Court St.  
Kankakee, IL 60901  
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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Robert E. Lynch*

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM



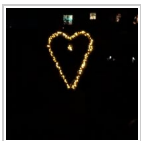
“ *Bob will be missed by many ! hugs and prayers to all ! We are thinking of all of you today! From Ron Metzka and Wendy Pastorel*

**Wendy Pastorel** - August 08, 2020 at 10:26 AM



“ *I want to give you Shirley and family our deepest sympathy on Bobs passing. Bob was a very smart and captivating speaker. I never got the chance to work with him but I feel very lucky that I was able to be around him a lot to learn from his experiences. So in ending my chapter with Bob his name will always come up in conversations when talking Sheetmetal. God bless Bob and May he Rest In Peace. Paula and Tom Wasser*

**Tom wasser** - August 08, 2020 at 07:31 AM



“ *My sympathies to Shirley and family. Bob and Shirley were the best landlords, ever, when I lived in the house on Station Street in the late 80's. Wonderful couple! Sandy (Emling) Dion*

**Sandy Dion** - August 06, 2020 at 10:39 AM

LS

“ *Lost a very good friend. Good hearted person that would do anything for anybody. We are going to miss him after 58 years of friendship.*



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**Leroy Sarowatz** - August 05, 2020 at 09:54 PM

 Delena Smith

“ *Dear Army paratrooper, thank you for your service to this great country. You make me proud to be an American. 🇺🇸🇺🇸. Thank you for choosing the Limestone Fire Dept. They saved my husband from an immediate severe anaphylaxis attack from killer cicada wasp sting one year ago.*

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**Delena Smith** - August 05, 2020 at 06:56 PM

BA

“ *Sorry to hear about the passing of Bob. I have a lot fond memories of him from the apprentice program. My heartfelt sympathy to his family.*  
*Bob Ahrens*

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**B0b Ahrens** - August 05, 2020 at 06:53 PM

LL

“ *Fond memories of Bob as my mentor when I came into the trade, but most of all that he was a good man !!*

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**Larry Lagesse** - August 05, 2020 at 11:48 AM

LW

“ Shirley- Thinking of you. Sorry for your loss



Lynn Wotell - August 04, 2020 at 06:04 PM

DM

“ I always enjoyed running in to him and speaking with him. Very nice gentleman. He will be sadly missed. May you rest in piece Bob. 💔😭  
Prayers 🙏 send to his family.  
Sincerely, Diane Morrison and Family.



Diane Morrison - August 04, 2020 at 04:48 PM

JH

“ We have lost a great person. Thank you Bob for all you did for me.



Jim Hults - August 04, 2020 at 02:31 PM

SW

“ Stephanie Wenzelman lit a candle in memory of Robert E. Lynch



Stephanie Wenzelman - August 04, 2020 at 11:09 AM

AR

“ Bob you will be truly missed by your brothers and sisters in the Union Sheet Metal Industries you will always be with us . We are all better people for knowing Brother Bob Lynch . Our hearts go out to Bob and Shirley 's family .

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**Alfie Rodriguez** - August 03, 2020 at 11:04 PM

BF

“ Shirley and Trish, we are so sorry for your loss. We shared so many fun times and will treasure our wonderful memories. Boat races, taking down the Paxton barn and too many cookouts to count. Bruce enjoyed talking Packer football with him. Bob was a special person and always had a smile on his face. We will miss him.

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**Bruce and Joan Weeks and Family** - August 03, 2020 at 04:07 PM

PC

*Shirley, our deepest sympathy and prayers. We so enjoyed catching up with you both at the retiree luncheons and in Arizona, those were happy times and now sweet memories!*

*Patrick and Jan Conway*

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**Patrick J. Conway** - August 04, 2020 at 01:36 PM

DS

*Trish, I'm glad we were able to talk last night. My heart, hugs and prayers go out to you and Aunt Shirley during this time. I know it was unexpected and so hard to believe. He will be greatly missed by everyone who knew him.....see you Saturday. xoxo*

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**Debbi Short** - August 05, 2020 at 10:12 AM

KS

*Rob always took care of his girls. My favorite memory of Rob is bringing Shirl to the mall to get some personal items at VS. He always sat on the bench outside the store and would never come into the store! I always had to peak my head out or go out and say HI. He wasn't been caught in that store! I will miss him dearly however, I'm better from knowing him and his family.*

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**kathy salrin** - August 05, 2020 at 06:21 PM