



Robert Arthur Purdy

August 30, 1927 - January 2, 2023

Robert Purdy, 95, of Camillus passed away peacefully January 2, 2023. Born in Albany, following military service in WWII he graduated from Clarkson University and lived in Colonie, NY for several years before moving to Camillus. He retired as a District Sales Manager for Westinghouse. Bob was a long-time member of Camillus First Baptist Church now Mission Hope Community. An avid fisherman and boater, he most enjoyed spending time with family and friends at his lakefront cottage in Ontario.

He was predeceased by his wife of 63 years, Elizabeth "Liz" (Taylor) Purdy in 2019.

He is survived by sons, Matthew of Camillus, Robert (Anne) of Kingston Ontario, Canada, Michael of Tucson, AZ and Daniel (Kerry) of Baldwinsville; grandchildren, Jason, Ruben, Lilli and Nicholas; and the extended families of the Carlsons, Browns, and Wagners.

The family would like to thank the nurses and staff of Loretto Cunningham 10 for their passionate care.

Calling hour will be on Saturday, January 14 from 9:30 to 10:30 am at B.L. Bush & Sons Funeral Home, 10 Genesee St., Camillus with services to follow at 10:30 am.

Burial will be in Greenlawn Cemetery, Warners.

Contributions may be made to WAVES, PO Box 156, Camillus, NY 13031 or online at wavesems.org

Please sign his guestbook at www.BLBUSH.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 14. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *B.L. Bush & Sons Funeral Home / Monuments created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert Arthur Purdy*



B.L. Bush & Sons Funeral Home / Monuments - January 14, 2023 at 04:07 PM

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“ As a lifelong friend of his son, Mike, I was tremendously saddened to hear about the passing of "Mr. Purdy," as I knew him. I have very fond memories of Mike's dad throughout my childhood. On a number of occasions, I travelled with the Purdys to stay at their beautiful camp on Whitefish Lake, and Mike's dad always went out of his way to make us feel at home. We always had a terrific time boating, swimming, cliff-jumping, and partaking in his legendary fishing expeditions. One memory in particular that will always stay with me was Mr. Purdy's dedication to getting me up on a pair of water skis! It took many, many attempts, but I remember the smile on his face when he finally succeeded!

He was always such a kind, good-natured, and fun person to be around. And his corny jokes were always spot-on! On another occasion, after the Purdys had relocated to Connecticut, Mr. Purdy arranged for me to visit their home so that we could see the Boston Bruins play the Hartford Whalers. Unfortunately, shortly before my visit, the roof on the Hartford Civic Center collapsed, and the game was cancelled. It didn't matter - he still met me at the bus station in Hartford (and gave me a tour of the area in the process) and brought me back to the house -- and we still had a great time even though he was very disappointed about the game cancellation. Such a nice man.

My condolences to the Purdys and their extended families. I hope the coming days bring some comfort to you all.

John Sparrow - January 15, 2023 at 08:59 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Robert Arthur Purdy.*



January 12, 2023 at 09:50 PM



“ *Delia and I would like to send our condolences to Bob's family. We were brothers in law to Bob. I really enjoyed spending time with Bob, especially while fishing at White Fish Lake or at Emerald Isle beach. He was a remarkable man of many talents and will be missed.*

Delia and Bob Murphy - January 11, 2023 at 01:33 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Robert Arthur Purdy.*



January 09, 2023 at 07:59 PM



“ *Bob was my first boss when i started in outside sales. And after all these years, he was still my favorite. He was very easy to talk to and very helpful when the problems seemed too big for a rookie salesman. It was my privilege to work for him until i left Westinghouse.*

Tim McBride - January 07, 2023 at 04:39 PM

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“ *I was the junior bridesmaid in your wedding to Aunt Liz, black eye and all. Also remember you and Uncle Bob M. at Christmas time playing the violins at nana and papa's in New Paltz. Rest in Peace.*
Susan

Susan E Hayes - January 06, 2023 at 03:13 PM