



Bobby E. Warhurst

March 21, 1947 - November 17, 2025

Bobby E. Warhurst, age 78, of Herscher, passed away on Monday, November 17, 2025 at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee. He was born on March 21, 1947 in Dyess, Arkansas, the son of Oddie and Idell (Simpson) Warhurst. He married Dana Hoskins on November 10, 1965 in Aurora.

Bobby was the owner and operator of Bob's Barber Shop in Herscher for 40 years. He enjoyed fishing and spending time with his family. Bobby was a member of the Lions Club. His claim to fame was naming the Herscher Corn Bowl. "[Bob] Warhurst had suggested a Corn "Boil" to the Lions, which sounded like Corn "Bowl" to listeners [due to his accent]. Corn Bowl was then adopted as the event's name, which has become a Herscher tradition."

Bobby is survived by his wife, Dana Warhurst, of Herscher; two sons and two daughters-in-law, Barry and Lori Warhurst of Missouri and Brett and Kristal Warhurst of Herscher; five grandchildren, Mark White, Joseph Krischokas, Amber (Patrick) Menard, Toby Warhurst, and Lexi Warhurst; five great-grandchildren; one sister and brother-in-law, Linda and Roger Liberty; one brother and sister-in-law, Gary and Jennifer Warhurst; and two sisters-in-law, Mary Lou Warhurst and Dean Warhurst.

He was preceded in death by his parents; five brothers, Otis, Joe, Thomas, Charles, and Curtis Warhurst; and three sisters, Katherine Bechel, Elizabeth Stone, and Brenda Alexander.

Visitation will be held from 10:00 AM until the time of the 12:00 Noon funeral service on Tuesday, November 25, 2025 at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral

Home in Kankakee. Burial will follow at Trinity Lutheran Cemetery, Herscher.
Memorials may be made to the family's wishes.

Cemetery Details

Trinity Lutheran Cemetery

Herscher, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **25**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home
1480 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
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Funeral Service

NOV **25**. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

DB

“ Dana, I am so sorry to hear about Bob? My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. God bless ❤️🙏

Dee Bess - November 24, 2025 at 04:54 PM

LQ

“ Love & Prayers Curt, Cindy & Quade Warhurst planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bobby E. Warhurst.

Love & Prayers Curt, Cindy & Quade Warhurst - November 20, 2025 at 01:40 AM



“ Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." was purchased for the family of Bobby E. Warhurst.



November 20, 2025 at 01:40 AM

OW

“ Dana, I am so so sorry to hear of Bobby's passing. I have many wonderful memories of growing up with him, Terry, and Jackie. He was not just a cousin to me but I thought of him more as a brother. When I was hurt in 1964 and could not walk . He came and got me in the spring of 1966 and brought me home with him to Illinois and made me get back up on my feet and start walking again. I dearly wish I could be there for him but I am down to using walkers and canes and am not able to make the trip. I will always remember the times and fun we had together. If there is ever anything I can do for you just let me know. Prayers to you and your family.

Love,

Otto & Linda Warhurst

Otto Warhurst - November 19, 2025 at 08:59 AM

LL

“ Bobby out of 7 brothers you were so kind and good to people. Other than our brother Tom who's with you now in heaven- you were number two. You tolerated my silly personality and you chose a great woman for a wife. (Dana) she and your sons will miss you sooo very much. They loved you!! You're not in this earthly world but you are in Gods world. I pray for grace and strength for your family who will miss you. Love you Bobby - your crazy sister Linda

linda liberty - November 18, 2025 at 11:58 PM

LW

“ Dana , Barry, Brett and family, heartbreaking news, Bobby was truly a gem of a man. My memories of him were his humor, kindness, friendly nature and love of his family. He carried on the tradition of family reunions and values long after the lose of his parents and siblings because it mattered to him. Praying that you will always remember the joy he brought into the lives of those around him. Love to all of you and gods blessings.
Susan Warhurst

Linda Susan Warhurst - November 18, 2025 at 09:16 PM



“ One of the articles that ran in the Herscher Pilot talking about his suggestion of a corn boil!



Brett Warhurst - November 18, 2025 at 09:03 PM

LW

Love ❤️ great story

Linda Susan Warhurst - November 18, 2025 at 11:03 PM

CJ

So sorry to read about your dad's passing. Many an afternoon my dad and brother would be waiting our turn listening to all the town news.

Chuck Jackson - November 19, 2025 at 04:00 PM

JE

“ My Bob and Bobby went fishing together many times, now they are together with the Lord. So sorry !

Jackie Eberle - November 18, 2025 at 06:50 PM