



Robert Lee "Bob" Hoebet

August 8, 1943 - June 29, 2026

Robert ("Bob") Hoebet, age 82, of Kankakee, passed away Monday, June 29, 2026 surrounded by family.

He was born August 8, 1943, the son of Leon and Carol Kiedaisch Hoebet. Bob married Suzanne Boehm on May 21, 1963 at St. Peter's United Church of Christ in Grant Park, Illinois followed by a reception and wedding dance at the Peotone Atrium. They honeymooned in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. Bob and Suzy recently celebrated 60 years of marriage.

Bob grew up in rural Grant Park and graduated from Grant Park High School. He was a starter on the 1961 Grant Park boys' basketball team that made a record run in the state tournament that year. Bob was an active community member, serving on the Grant Park Board of Education for over a decade and also on the St. Peter's church council for many years. He was also a loyal member of The Hundred Club of Kankakee County.

Bob was an accomplished golfer and competed in golf leagues at Minnie Monesse, Irish Shores, Aspen Ridge and the Kankakee Elks over the years. He enjoyed the camaraderie and friendships with his fellow golfers. Bob also enjoyed hunting and fishing, particularly in Southern Illinois and Canada with friends from the area. He was close with his many cousins and extended family members, especially his cousins Bruce Heldt and Bev Hamilton.

Bob and Suzy traveled extensively, visiting Japan, Switzerland, France, Austria, Liechtenstein, Germany, Bermuda, England, the Caribbean, Jamaica and destinations throughout the United States, instilling a love of travel in their

children and grandchildren. Later in life, Bob's favorite times were family vacations to fun destinations with 17 people under one roof.

Bob spent his professional career working at Englewood Electric and HomeStar Bank & Financial Services. He appreciated the opportunity to work in retirement at Aspen Ridge Golf Course. Bob was loyal, diligent and loved going to work every day. He particularly enjoyed his relationships with his friends at work.

Bob was a life-long Chicago Cubs fan, enduring many years of waiting until next year, so he celebrated mightily after that special game on a Wednesday in Cleveland in 2016. He also invested many hours maintaining his yard and took special pride in having perfectly straight mower lines.

Bob was a proud grandfather to 9 grandchildren, who called him "Papa." He and Suzy loved supporting their grandchildren and celebrating their accomplishments. They traveled near and far to watch them compete in basketball, football, volleyball, soccer, and golf matches, gymnastic meets, dance recitals, plays, and all of their school and extracurricular events.

Bob is survived by his wife Suzy and their three children Nikki (Mike) O'Brien of Kankakee, Illinois; Cara (Chong) Kim of Frisco, Texas; and Liz (Nathan) Rau of Rochester, Minnesota and grandchildren Patrick, Eamon, and Emma O'Brien; Carter, Carson, Channing, and Casen Kim; and Alexis and Aviella Rau. Also surviving Bob are his sisters Janet (John) Blanke and Joyce (Dale) Guy and many nieces and nephews and their children, with whom he shared a close relationship. Bob was preceded in death by his son Patrick, daughter Eleanor, grandson Chase, granddaughter Lauren, granddaughter Olivia, and his parents.

Visitation will be held Tuesday, July 7 from 10 am to 1 pm at Clancy Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais, Illinois at 295 Main Street, NW, Bourbonnais, Illinois. A funeral Mass will be said the same day at 1:30 pm at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 428 S. Indiana Avenue, Kankakee, Illinois. Burial will be at Heusing Cemetery outside of Grant Park, Illinois.

Please sign Bob's guestbook at ClancyGernon.com.

Cemetery Details

Heusing Cemetery

Grant Park, IL

Upcoming Events

Visitation

JUL 7. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
295 Main St., NW
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Mass

JUL 7. 1:30 PM (CT)

St. Patrick Catholic Church
428 S. Indiana
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-6716

Tribute Wall

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“ *To Suzy, Liz and all family members
Duane and I are so sorry to hear of Bob's passing. We certainly
shared many fun times when Liz and my Elizabeth were in high
school. May Bob rest in peace and may you have peace and
comfort in this difficult time.*

Kathy Roy - 2 hours ago