



Robert R. Madson

September 2, 1965 - March 29, 2014

Robert R. "Rob" Madson, 48 of Laurel, MD died March 29, 2014 in Laurel. He was born September 2, 1965 in Normal the son of B. Ronald & Alice Cole Madson. Rob enjoyed computers, model railroads, reading, anime, and traveling. He received his Masters degree from Loyola University in Maryland. He worked as a computer analyst for the Department of Defense. Surviving are his mother, Alice (Cole) Madson of St. Anne; one aunt, Louise (Jack) Noxon of Riverbank, CA; numerous cousins including John Noxon, Jerry Noxon and Randy Noxon all of Apple Valley, CA; and special friends Bob Degenford and Jonas Schlien. Rob is preceded in death by maternal grandparents, Ruth & Errett Cole. Visitation will held from 10:00 a.m. until the 11:00 a.m. funeral service on Monday at First Reformed Church of Wichert. Rev. Randy Knoll will officiate. Burial will follow at Oakwood Cemetery in Wichert. Memorials may be made to First Reformed Church of Wichert.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

7697 E. 4500 S. Rd.
Wichert
St. Anne, IL 60964

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Reformed Church of Wichert
St. Anne, IL

Funeral Service

APR 7. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Reformed Church of Wichert
St. Anne, IL

Tribute Wall

JS

“ We shared many a meal of General Tso's Chicken and anime viewings. He will be surely missed as a good and true friend.

Jonas Schlein - April 19, 2014 at 06:51 PM

CR

“ I am heartsick. Rob was one of my few and my oldest friends. Despite moving to Florida, he and I stayed in touch and even got together when he and his mom come down here. I am at a loss to express my grief in words. He was a good man, a good friend and I miss him.

Craig Reed - April 06, 2014 at 06:38 PM

ST

“ Alice, thoughts and prayers wit you right now. Rob has a wonderful person with such a big heart. He will truly be missed.
Stephanie Slowik Truax

Stephanie Truax - April 05, 2014 at 12:32 PM

TC

“ You have our deepest sympathy.



Tom & Kathy Caise - April 04, 2014 at 05:05 PM

DT

“ *Some trains leave early
Some trains leave late
Sometimes we don't understand
Why the trains can't wait
Some trips are easy
Some trips are hard
But they all take you home*

Godspeed friend

Dave Thornley - April 03, 2014 at 07:19 PM



“ *Cheryl's Classic Treats Box was purchased for
the family of Robert R. Madson.*



April 03, 2014 at 12:48 PM

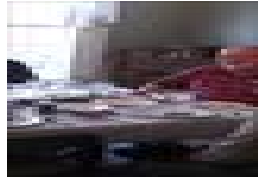
JG

“ *I knew Rob as a kind fellow with a knack for technology when we
were in university, and he was thoughtful enough to come see me
when I traveled through a few years ago. Our prayers and thoughts
go to Rob's mother. Blessings,*

Jeff G - April 02, 2014 at 09:54 AM

BD

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Bob Degenford - April 01, 2014 at 09:59 PM

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Bob Degenford - April 01, 2014 at 09:58 PM

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Bob Degenford - April 01, 2014 at 09:57 PM

KB

“ *My sympathies to the family. Rob will be missed. God Bless.*

Kassie Burnett - April 01, 2014 at 08:34 PM

AS

“ It was great having Rob visit with us when my son Jonas had his stroke. I always enjoyed going out to dinner with Rob and his mom. I will miss the fun we all had at the restaurant. Rob was a kind and considerate person and he will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this difficult time in their lives.

Anna Schlein - April 01, 2014 at 06:17 PM

TJ

“ God never makes mistakes, he took the best, Rob will be missed but never forgotten. He was one of the most kind co-workers I have ever met. Rob we will miss your smile !!!

TJ

TJ - April 01, 2014 at 06:12 PM

SD

“ well done good and faithful servant. Mathew 25- 23 The Degenfords

Sharon Degenford - April 01, 2014 at 05:13 PM

RK

“ Our family had the pleasure of Rob's company at many Thanksgivings. We had great conversations and always enjoyed the movies he brought to watch. I am not sure he knew how we all fought over the candy he brought. We will miss our friend but take comfort in Luke 23:43 “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.”

The Degenford family

rebecca Kurtz - April 01, 2014 at 04:56 PM



“ We shared many a meal of General Tso's Chicken and anime viewings. He will be surely missed as a good and true friend.

Jonas Schlein - April 01, 2014 at 04:20 PM



“ I worked with Rob for a few years and considered him not just another co-worker; but a friend. He was someone with exceptional analytical and technical skill, who as part of the organization that we worked together in; who I relied on a lot to dissect difficult problems and fix them with the dedication and extraordinary professionalism that was his norm. At one point in our professional relationship he worked for me and I relied on him greatly, as did the rest of my team. He was a 'superstar' in his own right for what he contributed to project and our team.

Rob was one of those individuals who never seemed to get rattled and always maintained his calm, methodical approach to life itself; which frankly always intrigued me. He was someone who always kept to himself; a 'nice guy' in disguise; however, once you got to know him, you found him to be sensitive, friendly and a sympathetic listener who truly cared. He was caring, unselfish and always willing to pitch in and help others. I was saddened by the announcement of his passing and pray for him and his family at this very difficult time.

Godspeed Rob ...

Joe Swientek

Joe Swientek - April 01, 2014 at 03:07 PM

BS

“ *Billy Swann lit a candle in memory of Robert R. Madson*



Billy Swann - April 01, 2014 at 02:29 PM

JB

“ *we will never forget in our prayers.rest in peace.John,Dana and Emily Bondaruk*

John Bondaruk - March 31, 2014 at 10:10 PM

JA

“ *I remember Rob's sense of humor, dedication, and willingness to help others. He will be missed, but we can rejoice that he is in God's care now.*



Joseph Antosiak - March 31, 2014 at 09:43 PM

BM

“ *Brian Miedema lit a candle in memory of Robert R. Madson*



Brian Miedema - March 31, 2014 at 04:58 PM

BS

“ I worked with Rob for a number of years and got to appreciate his humor, intelligence, and especially his kindness. Years ago Rob took responsibility for caring for a very sick friend who had no family to look out for him. Rob took care of his home and finances while his friend was hospitalized. He took that extra step that all of us know in our hearts we should take, but too often do not. When I asked him why, he simply said that's what friends are for and how he would like to be treated. Wow, what a lesson. I learned to appreciate anime and have a drawing Rob tried to sell at shows. He also taught me to double-check my email before I sent it; as he had the best ability of anyone I have ever met of being able to respond politely despite being annoyed at the recipient. Rob said he learned that from mediating AOL sites and from his mom being a teacher. We will miss seeing you Rob.

Betty Steil - March 31, 2014 at 03:16 PM

TB

“ Tammy Bennett lit a candle in memory of Robert R. Madson



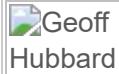
Tammy Bennett - March 31, 2014 at 02:59 PM

DH

“ Dave Hopkins lit a candle in memory of Robert R. Madson



Dave Hopkins - March 31, 2014 at 10:54 AM



Geoff
Hubbard

“ I only met Rob less than a year ago. --But I appreciated ever meeting him. I found Rob to be very attentive to the meaning behind my statements, questions, and answers. When I spoke, I got the feeling like he was really listening I recall fondly how, when I asked him about his hobbies, he mentioned anime. It was fun to see the passion of a pursuit sparkle in his eyes... He was the kind of guy that could take a simple hobbyist's love to the "next level", and make something grand out of it. This became evident to me as I viewed his railroad creations, and read his Sailor Moon fan fiction. Rob's high intelligence was evident in his ingenuity; and this ingenuity coupled with his passionate playful manner made a wonderful person whom I will miss. Rest in peace, Rob.

Geoff Hubbard - March 31, 2014 at 09:52 AM

WO

“ When I lived in Abingdon, Maryland, I met Rob through one of the train shows at the Timonium fairgrounds. Rob was one of the first club members I met from the Meade Area Railroad Society (MARRS). After meeting Rob, I joined the club. Rob was friendly and easy to talk to. He treated everyone like he would like to be treated. He was also a great model railroader. He had some modules he built and I loved his NSA Building and module with his funny and whimsical touch. Even though it was an hour drive to the meeting, fighting traffic on the Capital Beltway, Rob and the other club members encouraged me while their friendship and love of trains met a lot to me.

I moved to Tennessee in the fall of 2008 but still subscribed to the club newsletters. I always enjoyed the photos from the club and reading about the happenings. Rob kept up the website and did a lot behind the scenes, but never boasted or tooted his own horn. He was a good friend that will sorely be missed. Rest In Peace Rob Madson.

William Osburn - March 31, 2014 at 09:20 AM

BB

“ *Barbara Brent lit a candle in memory of Robert R. Madson*



Barbara Brent - March 31, 2014 at 09:19 AM

CH

“ *Clay & Angela Holland lit a candle in memory of Robert R. Madson*



Clay & Angela Holland - March 31, 2014 at 09:15 AM

AM

“ *Angela Mayberry lit a candle in memory of Robert R. Madson*



Angela Mayberry - March 31, 2014 at 08:53 AM

WO

“ *William Osburn lit a candle in memory of Robert R. Madson*



William Osburn - March 31, 2014 at 08:37 AM

CH

“ 2 files added to the album MARRS



Clay Holland - March 31, 2014 at 04:28 AM



Thanks for the pictures; I am familiar with Rob through our work. Rob was a very smart guy! I enjoyed hearing Rob talk about the things he loved. He was always fun to visit. He was always kind and attending to me and I will miss seeing him in the mornings and hearing of his achievements, plans and activities. -Geoff

Geoff Hubbard - March 31, 2014 at 08:39 AM

JB

Thank you for the pictures. My husband Bob and I will never forget Rob. He was one of a kind. Any time Bob had a question or problem with his train layout, Rob would be there in a flash to help out. His kind and loving spirit is something that is not seen as much as it should be in today's world. He will be sorely missed. MARRS will miss his leadership and spirit and knowledge. They will be a hard pair of shoes to fill. We are left with a big empty fluffy spot in our hearts. Love u bro. - Jan & Bob

Jan & Bob Burroughs - April 01, 2014 at 10:54 AM