



## Robert Schafer

October 29, 1933 - September 19, 2023

Robert J Schafer, 89, of Worthington, Ohio went peacefully to heaven on September 19, 2023. Bob was born October 29, 1933 to Joseph and Betty Schafer in Detroit, Michigan. He married Maura Gallagher on June 23, 1956 in Detroit. Bob received his PhD in Metallurgy in 1963 and worked for a time at NASA in Cleveland before going to work for Archer Daniels Midland Co., which became a division of Ashland Chemical Co. In 1973 he and family moved to Worthington and he worked at the Ashland Research Building in Dublin, Ohio. He retired in 1994. He was a devout Catholic.

Robert is survived by wife Maura, sons Bobby Schafer and John Schafer, John's wife Shirley Zehner-Schafer, grandchildren Kelsey Keller and her husband Brandon Keller, Brad Schafer and his wife Katelyn Schafer, Marissa Tokarz and her husband Zared Tokarz, and great-grandchildren Piper Keller, Sophie Keller and Ayla Schafer.

Husband, Dad, Grampa and Great-Grampa Bob will be remembered as a brilliant scientist, an avid hockey player, fan, and coach, adventurer, traveler (particularly to Ireland), and the guy who was always tidying up the backyard, but more importantly for his friendliness, compassion and desire to help anyone in need.

There will be calling hours at the Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home, 515 High

Street, Worthington from 2-4 PM Sunday 9/24 with a prayer service at 3:45.

Mass of Christian Burial will occur at St. Michael Catholic Church, 5750 North High Street, Columbus at 10 AM Monday 9/25 followed by internment at Resurrection Cemetery, 9571 North High Street, Lewis Center

# Cemetery Details

## Resurrection Cemetery

9571 North High Street  
Lewis Center, OH 43035

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

SEP 24. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home  
515 High Street  
Worthington, OH 43085  
(614) 885-4006  
info@rutherfordfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com/>

## Prayer Service

SEP 24. 3:45 PM (ET)

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## Mass of Christian Burial

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SEP **25**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Michael Catholic Church  
5750 N. High St.  
Worthington, OH 43085

# Tribute Wall

RA

“ Rita A. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert Schafer.



Rita A. - September 22, 2023 at 02:17 PM

MD

“ Mike&Diane, Linda&Bob, Lisa, David&Julie purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Robert Schafer.



Mike&Diane, Linda&Bob, Lisa, David&Julie - September 22, 2023 at 02:04 PM

TF

“ The Rafferty Family purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Robert Schafer.



The Rafferty Family - September 22, 2023 at 11:27 AM

SB

“ Bob and Maura have been a touch stone in the neighborhood and to our family. There kindness will be missed.

Sara & Tom Bihari

Sara Bihari - September 21, 2023 at 09:37 AM

MF

“ Our family will always remember Bob’s kindness and will miss him as our neighbor and friend. He was an inspiration to our children, especially our younger daughter who is starting her engineering career!

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**Mark White and family** - September 19, 2023 at 11:28 PM

JP

One of my delightful memories is of my late husband and Bob prying up a slab of the cement walk in front of Bob and Maura’s home in order to satisfy the city’s wanting that section replaced because a tree root was causing the walk to rise up . There the two of them were : shoving dirt and tamping it down to save money . It worked for a while . The other memory is the day they came to look at the newly built home . The sight of them walking across the front lawn with their sons behind them . We were all blessed to be sharing our lives . I wonder if the two of them have found each . Do sidewalks exist where they are now and do they ever need fixing ? If so , there are two men yo fix them . Peace unto you , Bob .

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**Jo Pascoe** - September 22, 2023 at 10:40 PM