



Robert E. Yoakam

December 16, 1961 - February 18, 2015

YOAKAM

Robert E. Yoakam, age 53, of Delaware, passed away Wednesday, February 18, 2015 at The James Cancer Hospital. Bob was born December 16, 1961 in Columbus to Robert E. And Rita M. (Krumlauf) Yoakam, Sr. He was self-employed at Rockford Homes, where he served as CEO. Bob was a devoted husband and father, who loved his family and friends. He was an avid outdoorsman and a lifelong hunter and fisherman. He spent his summers at Indian Lake and always enjoyed a good card game with his friends. He was loved and respected by many and will be truly missed. Bob was preceded in death by his father, Robert E. Yoakam, Sr. and his sister, Kathy DeVictor. His survivors include his wife of 28 years, Sherry; sons, Robert and Donald Yoakam; mother, Rita M. Yoakam; sisters, Joyce (Jim) Turner, Joey (Dave) Sowers, Kris Schuh, Nancy (John) Buckley; brother, Pat (Joyce) Yoakam; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Don and Judy Byers; sister-in-laws, Stephanie (R.G.) Peterson, Shelley (Randy) Kimball and many relatives and friends. He was a member of St. Mary Catholic Church, 82 E. William Street, Delaware, where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, February 24, 2015 with Presiders; The Rev. Msgr. Paul Enke, The Rev. Kevin Kavanagh and The Rev. Michael Watson. Burial will follow at Resurrection Cemetery, Lewis Center, Ohio. Family and friends may call from 4:00-8:00 p.m. Monday, February 23rd at the RUTHERFORD-CORBIN FUNERAL HOME, 515 High St., Worthington, Ohio. In lieu of flowers

donations may be made to The OSUCCC – James, 660 Ackerman Road, 6th Floor, PO Box 183112, Columbus, OH 43218.

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

9571 North High Street
Lewis Center, OH 43035

Previous Events

Calling Hours

FEB 23. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Mass of Christian Burial

FEB 24. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Mary Catholic Church
82 East William Street
Delaware, OH 43015

Tribute Wall



“ *Rutherford Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert E. Yoakam*



Rutherford Funeral Homes - February 24, 2015 at 08:38 AM



“ *Robert E. Yoakam*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathy to the Yoakam family, and to all of those that knew Bob. He was the finest of men, and we have the utmost respect for him. He will be missed.*

*Sincerely,
The Ortlip Family*

Geoff Ortlip - February 24, 2015 at 10:48 AM



“ *At Swan Freedom, many of us have worked with Bob over the last 18 years. We were so saddened to hear of his passing. I personally had the opportunity to serve with Bob on a multiple BIA boards. He was a man with great integrity and fun to be around. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the entire Yoakam family.*

Mark Lomax - February 24, 2015 at 10:43 AM

AW

“ *Sherry and the Yoakam family,*

You have me deepest sympathy. Bob was the "best of the best." He was honest, upfront and a person I admired tremendously. There is little I can add to what has been said but I will miss Bob and share in your great loss.

Alan Weiler

Alan Weiler - February 24, 2015 at 10:15 AM

JL

“ *I was so saddened to hear of Bob's passing. Bob and your families will be in my thoughts and prayers. I enjoyed working for him.*



Julie Lemke - February 24, 2015 at 08:08 AM

DW

“ *So sorry to hear about Bob's passing. Our deepest sympathies to the family and friends ~ George & DeeDee Warden & family.*

DeeDee Warden - February 24, 2015 at 08:07 AM

YH

“ *Your friends at Ryan Homes. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert E. Yoakam.*



Your friends at Ryan Homes. - February 23, 2015 at 02:23 PM

JU

“ *Many fond memories of Bob helping with the St. Mary Festival and making it seem like more fun than work. A great friend that will be missed by all. Prayers for the family.*

Jerry Ungashick - February 23, 2015 at 02:21 PM

JD

“ *At Converse Electric, we feel honored that the Yoakam family and Rockford have partnered with us for many years on a wide variety of projects. Now we feel joined in sorrow with you at the loss of Bob Yoakam. He was way too young to be taken away. Bob was more than just a brilliant leader. He had a big heart and a warm spirit. His loss is felt all over Columbus today--not just by family but also by the thousands who have been privileged to know and work with him. We are merely a few...*

Chris Converse, Garrett Gilpin, Jay Duke, Mike Arthur, and Todd Hall.

Jay Duke - February 23, 2015 at 12:11 PM

LO

“ *As a Subcontractor for Rockford Homes, no words can begin to express the loss being felt by all who had the opportunity to meet and work with Bob over the years.*

But please know, he will be greatly missed and remembered dearly.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you. God Bless!

Lorraine S. Hague

AFFORDABLE Home Improvements & Investments, Inc.



Lorraine - February 23, 2015 at 12:03 PM

LO

“ Lorraine sent a virtual gift in memory of Robert E. Yoakam



Lorraine - February 23, 2015 at 11:26 AM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Robert E. Yoakam.



February 23, 2015 at 09:41 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Robert E. Yoakam.



February 23, 2015 at 09:39 AM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Robert E. Yoakam.



February 23, 2015 at 08:56 AM

DC

“ *Debi & Jay Comstock lit a candle in memory of Robert E. Yoakam*



Debi & Jay Comstock - February 23, 2015 at 08:19 AM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Robert E. Yoakam.*



February 23, 2015 at 07:56 AM

MF

“ *Michele And Tim Buckley And Family lit a candle in memory of Robert E. Yoakam*



Michele and Tim Buckley and Family - February 23, 2015 at 06:31 AM

SH

“ To the entire Yoakam family,

My deepest condolences on the passing of Bob. I've been a subcontractor for Rockford Homes for the last 25+ years and I've always admired Bob as a businessman and I really valued his friendship. Bob was the definition of a true gentleman and always treated everyone with kindness and respect. He will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this very difficult time. God bless.

Steve Hoy

Steve Hoy - February 23, 2015 at 12:32 AM



“ *Fall Fantasia was purchased for the family of Robert E. Yoakam.*



February 22, 2015 at 10:35 PM

AF

“ *Dear Sherry (Coach) and Family,*

We were so sorry to hear about your loss. You and your family will remain in our prayers during this difficult time.

*The Anthony Family
Mike, Janine, Alexandra, Hannah, Marisa*

Anthony Family - February 22, 2015 at 07:19 PM

SG

“ Sherry, Bob, Don, and other family members,
I was very sad to hear that Bob had passed away. He was a great person and friend. I will always fondly remember the multiple visits to his hospital room while he was receiving his chemo treatments. Those times were more like going out to dinner or drinks with a friend than visiting someone in the hospital. I was so impressed with the positive attitude that he kept during his treatment. He will surely be missed.

Scott Green

Scott Green - February 22, 2015 at 05:59 PM

TS

“ Sherry, Bobby and Family,

My deepest condolences at this terrible time. I can't express how shocked I was to hear of Bob's passing. He was not only one of my most valued customers, but someone I considered a friend. They broke the mold when they made Bob. To find someone in his position who made everyone feel that they were important is a rare thing. He was a true gentleman and will be sorely missed.

May God bless and keep you in your time of need.

Tom Stout
Central Ohio Electric

Tom Stout - February 21, 2015 at 07:58 PM

RF

“ *Sherry, Bobby, Don & Family*

Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you at this very difficult time. Heaven has gained an angel who will be watching over you and will be with you always.

I admired Bob so very much and I am honored to say that I have worked for him for the past fifteen years. He was a great man and a wonderful boss. He will be so greatly missed by myself and the entire Rockford family.

May God Bless all of you.

Renee Ferraro

Renee Ferraro - February 21, 2015 at 04:47 PM

EF

“ *To Aunt Rita and all the Yoakam Family, My heart goes out to you at this very sad time of your loss of Cousin Bobby. May his soul rest in peace as he joins the souls of our other family who have gone before. I am so very sad and sorry for all of you. Sending love and prayers.*
Cousin, Elizabeth Shafer Fulton



Elizabeth Fulton - February 21, 2015 at 03:34 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert E. Yoakam.



February 21, 2015 at 02:48 PM



“ Doug and Tammy Fisher purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert E. Yoakam.



Doug and Tammy Fisher - February 21, 2015 at 02:43 PM



“ Sherry, Bob, Don & Family,
My deepest condolences to all of you at this heartbreaking time. Bob gave me my first opportunity when I interviewed with him as a young widow trying to re-establish my life. I've always appreciated his strong, quiet guidance and his support through the years that I've worked with him. I hope he realized how much his Rockford staff loved and respected him. I know your hearts are broken, but I also know that the memories that are bringing such grief right now will someday be a source of great joy. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Fonda Ruiz

Fonda Ruiz - February 21, 2015 at 02:40 PM

DF

“ *Sherry, Bobby and Don,*

So sorry for the loss of Bob, Jr.

He was a very fair, honest and respectable businessman and individual. He would always take the time to talk and listen. He will truly be missed.

Our thoughts and prayers for your family during this time of sorrow.

*Doug Fisher and family.
INTEGRITY Comfort Systems
Heating and Air Conditioning*

Doug Fisher - February 21, 2015 at 02:26 PM

CW

“ *Sherry and Family,*

I am so very sorry for your loss. God took a good man way too early. Bobby will always hold a spot in my heart. He always treated me like family, not just another contractor. He will be deeply missed by all.

*Clint Warner
Quality Irrigation Systems*

Clint Warner - February 21, 2015 at 12:37 PM

TK

“ Taylor Koehler lit a candle in memory of Robert E. Yoakam



Taylor Koehler - February 21, 2015 at 12:35 PM

TK

Coach I am so sorry for the loss of your husband. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time of sadness. Taylor (Koehler), Mike, Michelle, Paige, Peyton, and Blake Griesser

Taylor Koehler - February 21, 2015 at 12:38 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Robert E. Yoakam.



February 21, 2015 at 11:35 AM

DS

“ Sherry, Bob, Don and Family,

There are no answers that will take away the pain you feel, but we have you in our thoughts and prayers. Our family is deeply saddened by the passing of Bob. We will always remember how he reached out to us in our time of need. We feel lucky that we had the pleasure of knowing a man of such great character and strength. Bob will be always sadly missed.

Dennis, Lauren and Chelsea Sweeney

Dennis Sweeney - February 21, 2015 at 11:18 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert E. Yoakam.* ”



February 21, 2015 at 11:01 AM



“ *The Sweeney Family Dennis. Lauren and Chelsea purchased the Sentiments of Serenity S pray for the family of Robert E. Yoakam.* ”



The Sweeney Family Dennis. Lauren and Chelsea - February 21, 2015 at 11:01 AM



“ *"God only gives the toughest battles to the greatest warriors." Prayers for you and your family as you deal with this battle and be blessed.* ”

Karen Bryan and family

Karen Bryan - February 21, 2015 at 09:11 AM



“ *Jeramie Meisler lit a candle in memory of Robert E. Yoakam* ”



jeramie meisler - February 21, 2015 at 06:38 AM

KI

“ Sherry and family, I am so sad for you all. My heart breaks to think of what you must be going through. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Kim, Kevin and Ireland Fallona

kim - February 21, 2015 at 01:00 AM

 Cindy James

“ *Cindy James lit a candle in memory of Robert E. Yoakam*



Cindy James - February 20, 2015 at 08:08 PM

 Cindy James

I am not able to find words to express how sorry I am. Bob will always remain a "brother" in my heart and memories and will be greatly missed...Please know that you all are in our thoughts and prayers. Sincerely Cindy (sheephead-Bob will know) and JoAnn James

Cindy James - February 20, 2015 at 08:14 PM

MM

“ *MR And MRS JERRY MOONEY lit a candle in memory of Robert E. Yoakam*



MR and MRS JERRY MOONEY - February 20, 2015 at 03:49 PM

AI

“ *Accurate Electric Constr., Inc. purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of Robert E. Yoakam.*



Accurate Electric Constr., Inc. - February 20, 2015 at 02:27 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert E. Yoakam.*



February 20, 2015 at 02:03 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert E. Yoakam.*



February 20, 2015 at 01:07 PM

TI

“ *T&R Properties, Inc. purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Robert E. Yoakam.*



T&R Properties, Inc. - February 20, 2015 at 12:59 PM