



Robert L. Bell

March 13, 1949 - October 28, 2022

Robert L. Bell, 73, of Delmar passed away on Friday, October 28, 2022 at his home surrounded by his loving family after losing a 3 year battle with cancer. Bob was born on March 13, 1949 in Cambridge, Maryland, a son of the late Lillian A. Bell and Merritt B. Bell.

Bob was a graduate of North Dorchester High School with the class of 1967. He owned Robert Bell Construction for many years, building custom homes, garages, and chicken houses. He was very talented in his field, making blueprints himself and was quite the mathematician, never needing a calculator, he installed landscaping with heavy machinery and built septic systems. He built his own family home and also the treehouse for his children and grandchildren with an elevator behind their home. Over the years the treehouse grew in size and was a special place to host parties and family reunions. He enjoyed camping and fishing with his family, on those trips he would often entertain his family by riding his bike backwards. He loved time spent with his grandkids, and they loved riding his many golf carts around his house when they visited. He was a baseball coach for Delmar Little League for years and also sponsored his own team and served as manager. He was a collector of coins and old cars. He enjoyed restoring his cars, which included a dune buggy, Model A, and a 64 LeMans, which he would take to car shows and also parades. Bob was a great storyteller. After telling stories he had the ability to make you believe the story was true. He never met a stranger, and would give you the shirt off his back.

He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Donna Rae Bell; sons, Rodney E. Bell and wife Kelly, Keith R. Bell and wife Kimberly, and Robert D. Bell and wife Christina; grandchildren, Breannah Bell, Emily Bell, Ethan Bell, Kayla Brittingham, Joshua Bell, Ashton Bell, Isaac Bell, Danny Mosley, III, and McKenzie Bell; great-granddaughter, Brynlee K. Harmon; sisters, Bonnie Willey and husband Larry, and Nancy Harrold; a brother, Norman Bell and wife Betty; many nieces and nephews; and good friends, Frank Cummings, Harold Insley and Bernie Edwards.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers, Gerald and Roy Bell; and a special brother-in-law, Chubby Joe Harrold.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, November 12, 2022 at 12:00 pm at Reid's Grove United Methodist Church on 5076 Reid's Grove Road in Vienna, Maryland. Pastor Barbara Mills Neighoff will officiate.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to Compassionate Care Hospice, the staff was awesome and Bob loved them all.

In memory of Mr. Bell, contributions may be sent to Reids Grove United Methodist Church, 5076 Reid's Grove Road, Vienna, MD 21869, or to Amedisys, Inc., Attn. Amedisys Foundation, 3854 American Way, Suite A, Baton Rouge, La 70816.

Arrangements are in the care of Short Funeral Home in Delmar. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visit www.shorthfh.com.

Previous Events

Service

NOV **12**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Reid's Grove United Methodist Church
5076 Reid's Grove Road
Vienna, MD 21869

Tribute Wall



“ *Short Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert L. Bell*



Short Funeral Home - November 12, 2022 at 10:11 AM



“ *Robert L. Bell*

January 29, 2023 at 01:28 PM



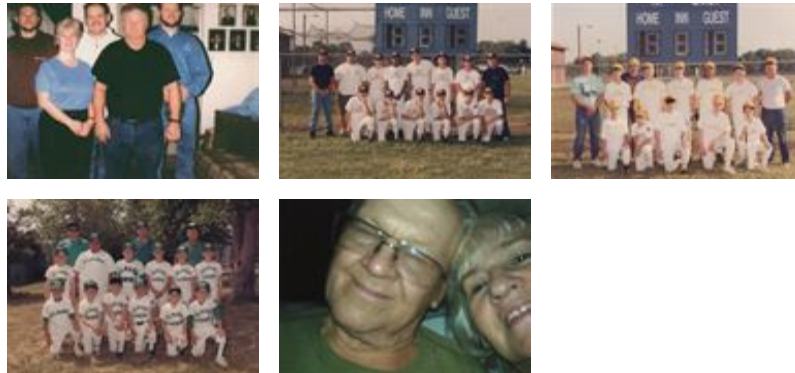
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Short Funeral Home - November 11, 2022 at 11:16 AM



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Short Funeral Home - November 09, 2022 at 01:24 PM

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“ *Lisa Burch lit a candle in memory of Robert Bell*



Lisa Burch - November 04, 2022 at 04:18 PM

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“ *Bob was like an uncle to me. Not only did i go to school with his sons. Rob is my age. But i met Bob when him and my father Steve Murphy were business partners and had a little dealership. Five Points Auto Sales in Laurel. ive ridden in tne yellow Le Mans bob alway had the coolest hot rods and classics. he sure had an eye for investing in something he got to enjoy before it made him money. spent many hours with him at the car lot. heard tall tales. I will keep the family in my prayers. My condolences to the family. Ill miss him*

steven reed - November 03, 2022 at 04:05 AM

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“ *caroline timmons lit a candle in memory of Robert Bell* ”



caroline timmons - November 02, 2022 at 08:11 PM