



## Robert Canaway

March 17, 1949 - February 17, 2017

Robert (Bob) H. Canaway, 67, of Nashua, NH, and Vero Beach, FL, died Friday, February 17, 2017 at Community Hospice House in Merrimack, NH, surrounded by his family after a long battle with cancer. He was born in Medford, raised in Woburn, MA, and was the second of three sons of Herbert and Rita Canaway.

Bob leaves his beloved wife of 43 years, Sandy, and their three sons: Robert II and his wife Tara, Jason and his wife Julie, and Christopher and his wife Colleen. He loved his eight grandchildren, especially making them laugh: Bobby, Johnny, Tommy, Max, Sammy, Piper, Paige, and Brooks. He is survived by his older brother Kenneth and predeceased by his younger brother Herbert Jr as well as his parents.

Bob was employed for many years as a business intelligence consultant and worked in IT at major companies such as AIG, Wang Labs, and Fidelity Investments. Bob loved this work developing systems that helped his clients run their businesses. Earlier in his life, Bob had a career in broadcasting working as a DJ for multiple radio stations in the Boston area as well as reading for TV on WMUR.

Bob served with distinction in the Vietnam War where he earned the Bronze Star for valor in combat as well as other commendations for his dedication

and bravery. Bob was an active member of his community. He served as the President of the Nashua Deanery CYO basketball Board of Directors. For many years he was the voice of Nashua High School Football and Basketball games. He volunteered for years with Boy Scouts and worked with the Hollis and Vero Beach VFWs on veterans issues.

Bob had a passion for officiating sports. He refereed high school football and umpired baseball at all levels from youth to college including some Dodgers' spring training games. He spent many happy days with his wife in their adopted state of Florida. He loved spending time in the sun, walking the beach and fishing for the big one. Disney World had a special place in his heart, Bob beamed with joy during their many trips there with the children and grandchildren.

Visiting hours will held on Tuesday, February 21st from 5pm - 8pm in the DUMONT-SULLIVAN FUNERAL HOME, 50 FERRY ST., IN HUDSON, NH. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Wednesday, February 22nd at 11:30am in St. William Parish, 1351 Main St., in Tewksbury, MA. All may meet at church. Burial will be held in Tewksbury Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in Bob's loving memory to the Hollis VFW Post 11373, PO Box 1012, Hollis, NH 03049.

# Previous Events

## MASS AT CHURCH

FEB **22**. 11:30 AM (ET)

St. William Parish  
1351 Main St.  
Tewksbury, MA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Homes & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert Canaway*



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**Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Homes** - February 22, 2017 at 09:32 AM



“ *Robert Canaway*

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October 06, 2023 at 08:13 AM



“ *Robert Canaway*

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September 27, 2023 at 04:05 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathy for your loss.  
Steve and Kathleen Haynes*

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**Steven Haynes** - February 25, 2017 at 05:19 PM

VM

“ Virginia M. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Robert Canaway.



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Virginia M. - February 21, 2017 at 12:56 PM

ES

“ Bob was a great official, we worked hundreds of games together.

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Ekim Sillig - February 21, 2017 at 01:19 AM

PB

“ I am so sorry for the loss of bob he was a great brother in law and great friend of mine, we shared many good times together in the past and even though we haven't had much contact in many years I regret his passing, he was a great and very smart man . God bless you love Peter Baudanza

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peter baudanza - February 20, 2017 at 06:15 PM

LG

*I just awoke from having a dream about all the time I got to spend with my Uncle Bob and My Aunt Sandy and my 3 amazing 3 cousins that I use to spend so much time with . We use to have so much fun together. I'm so curious if my 3 cousins remember having a milk drinking contest.....?*

*Bobby , Jason an Chris were lots of fun and they were all so funny. But I also felt blessed that I was invited to spend so much time with the whole family. My Uncle Bob was so smart and So So funny !*

*I loved sleeping over there home on Pollard Road especially on the weekends because Uncle Bob would always make a HUGE breakfast and it was always so YUMMY !*

*Bob was a hard working man he enjoyed providing a great home and life for his family.*

*Uncle Bob was a great dad as well , he loved his boys .*

*He was always spending time with them.*

*From playing baseball , to chasing them around the yard.*

*Most of all My Uncle Bob loved his beautiful wife Sandy .*

*My Aunt Sandy was and still is a beautiful person inside and out. She's a great Mom and she was a wonderful wife.*

*You could tell that My Uncle Bob an My Aunt Sandy were very in love and they really enjoyed Parents together.*

*My aunt Sandy was and is still a smart , fun , caring and loved being a mom .*

*I enjoyed spending time with her at her home .*

*Aunt Sandy and I were very close .*

*She's my Godmother .*

*I love you Uncle Bob , thanks for being a great uncle to me .*

*I miss you so much. ✨*

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**Laurie Greenhalgh** - December 23, 2023 at 02:29 AM

LF

“ Love, Chris & Tania Caster & Family purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Robert Canaway.



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**Love, Chris & Tania Caster & Family** - February 20, 2017 at 06:13 PM

TC

“ We extend our deepest sympathies to your family. Love, Chris & Tania Caster & Family

Tania Caster - February 20, 2017 at 05:06 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert Canaway.



February 20, 2017 at 04:41 PM



“ Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert Canaway.



February 20, 2017 at 10:37 AM

FT

“ From the STERIS AST Team purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Robert Canaway.



From the STERIS AST Team - February 20, 2017 at 09:48 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert Canaway.*



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February 19, 2017 at 07:25 PM



“ *So, sorry, Bob was Dedicated! Bro. Paul fat fingers horrible speller.*

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**paul Crawford** - February 19, 2017 at 04:10 PM



“ *I am sorry to say that I am unable to attend Bob's wake nor Funeral Mass, due to being out of state. As so many people know, Bob was a wonderful decimated person especially with the CYO Program, in which it was an honor to work with him. Grateful for his going beyond in supporting so many in the program. He was a joy to work with and an honorable Deanery rival in Basketball.*

*Know that Bob will be in my prayers and thoughts, as well as his family at this time of loss.*

*Bro. Paul Crawford, OFM, Cap., former Manchester CYO Deanery Director.*

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**paul Crawford** - February 19, 2017 at 04:07 PM



“ *Marie and Anna Mclaughlin purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Robert Canaway.*



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**Marie and Anna Mclaughlin** - February 19, 2017 at 03:08 PM

LA

“ Laurie lit a candle in memory of Robert Canaway



Laurie - February 19, 2017 at 12:13 PM

LA

*Dear Aunt Sandy , Bobby , Jason , Chris . I wanted to let you know that im thinking of all of you during this sad time. Im sorry for your loss. I will miss my Uncle Bob an his funny sense of humor. I have so many good memories of all of us spending time together. Rest in peace Uncle Bob.*

Laurie - February 19, 2017 at 12:19 PM

BI

*Sandy, Bobby, Jason, Chris - my heartfelt condolences. I'm so sorry to hear of Bob's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you today and in the days ahead. Such wonderful memories that I will cherish and are forever in my heart. What an incredible man and it was my pleasure to have had the opportunity to know him. Love and hugs, Bitty*

Bitty - February 19, 2017 at 03:28 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Robert Canaway.



February 18, 2017 at 08:45 PM