



Robert Vertin Nichols

July 13, 1958 - December 11, 2023

Robert Vertin Nichols, 65, of Fife Lake, passed away peacefully on Monday, December 11, 2023, at his home. Born on July 13, 1958, in Mt. Clemens, Michigan, to the late Robert and Marie (Reddie) Nichols, Rob lived a life rich in family and passion.

Rob graduated from Troy High School in 1976 and, on June 19, 1982, married the love of his life, Brigett LeMessurier. A dedicated family man, Rob found joy in spending time with his wife, children, grandchildren, and his brother Jim. Whether hunting, fishing, camping, playing cards, or tinkering with dune buggies, cars, and guns, he cherished every moment with his loved ones. Known for his kindness, generosity, hard work, and unwavering patience, Rob was also a dependable friend who would go to great lengths to help others. His vast knowledge of all things automotive was generously shared, and his love for humor made him a legendary jokester among friends and family. Did we mention he made the best grilled cheese. Given his automotive background he was constantly watching videos of cars, tractors, and basically anything with a motor; the constant jokester would tell everyone he was watching “tractor porn”!

Rob is survived by his beloved wife of 42 years, Brigett; children Krystle (Chad Kniss) Nichols and Robert (Tanya) Nichols; grandchildren: Jimmy, Kirey (Savannah), Mekhi, Kaitlyn, Leanna, and Baby Kniss on the way; great-grandson Waylon; brother Jim (Debbie) Nichols; and his loyal dogs Cooper, Minnie, and Pearl. He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert and

Marie, brother Russ Nichols, and in-laws Ralph and Gloria LeMessurier.

Friends and family are invited to a visitation from 1-4 pm on Friday, December 15, 2023, at Kalkaska Funeral Home. The funeral service will follow at 4 pm, officiated by Pastor William Kuiper of Evergreen Bible Baptist Church. In lieu of flowers, donations in Rob's honor may be made to the American Cancer Society or your local animal shelter.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Kalkaska Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 15. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Kalkaska Funeral Home
152 S. Cedar
Kalkaska, MI 49646
(231) 258-3346

Funeral Service

DEC 15. 4:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I’ve been friends with Rob since 1997 and he was always kind to me. All my best to his family. Please in his honor get vaccinated against Covid - I wish he had done the same. Like I said he was always a nice guy and a good dad and I wish he would’ve listened to the doctors, scientists, immunologists, etc. and not let politics affect his health decisions. RIP. Sorry for your great loss. -Greg

Greg Garside - January 12, 2024 at 01:58 AM

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“ The best leader(Boss)/friend/mentor anyone could've ever had the privilege of experiencing. Rest easy in paradise Mr. Nichols.

SD - December 16, 2023 at 06:19 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Robert Vertin Nichols.



December 14, 2023 at 12:23 PM

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“ Jeff & Cheryl Orwig planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert Vertin Nichols.

Jeff & Cheryl Orwig - December 14, 2023 at 12:23 PM