



Robert L. Collins

February 10, 1951 - July 26, 2023

Bob passed away Wednesday, July 26, at age 72. Diagnosed with cancer in January, Bob waged a courageous battle with never a complaint. His leave-taking was gentle, befitting a life gently lived. Devoted son of the late Anne and Vincent Collins. Loving brother of Michael and Patricia (John) Flaherty. Beloved uncle, delighted great-uncle and proud godfather to many nieces and nephews. Cherished friend of many. Bob was brilliant, clever and always kind. He will be dearly missed.

Visitation 9:30 am Monday, July 31, St. Gertrude's Church, 1420 W. Granville, Chicago, followed by Mass at 10:00. Interment All Saints Cemetery, Des Plaines. In lieu of flowers a donation to Misericordia Heart of Mercy is appreciated. <https://www.misericordia.com/giving/donate-online/>

Cemetery Details

All Saints Cemetery

700 N River Road
DesPlaines, IL 60016
<http://www.catholiccemeterieschicago.org/locations.php?cem=2>

Previous Events

Visitation in Church

JUL 31. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St Gertrude Catholic Church
1420 W Granville Ave
Chicago, IL 60660
(773) 764-3621

Funeral Mass

JUL 31. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Robert L. Collins*

October 08, 2023 at 11:31 AM



“ *Condolences to family and friends. His strong but gentle character was apparent already in high school where we were in many classes together. As noted, he was very good-natured. Always a pleasure to be around.*

--Jerry Cornille

Jerry Cornille - July 30, 2023 at 05:50 PM



“ *Bob was a good-natured and gentle-natured guy, going back to our earliest days in high school. Never saw him lose his temper, never heard an unkind word from him. Despite the misery which that era can create, he always seemed to have a smile I am sorry to hear of his passing and hope that solace will replace sorrow for you all before long.*

*Ted Zamirowski
Loyola Academy, '68*

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“ *Our sympathy and special prayers for Bob and all his family and friends.*

Sr. Rosemary/Fr. Jack & Residents of Mis - July 29, 2023 at 11:48 AM

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I shared a school locker with Bob Collins when we were freshmen. Although I did not get to know him well, I found him to be an always pleasant guy. We had a little joke about the term "jocular buffoon" which we both remembered from a grade-school speller. That always provided a laugh. Condolences to those he left behind.

Neil Chisholm - July 29, 2023 at 07:28 PM