



## Robert Arthur Vander Voort

September 14, 1953 - March 7, 2018

VANDER VOORT, Robert Arthur "Rob" "Rufus". March 7, 2018. Age 64. Beloved husband of Annette (nee: Wieczorek) for 43 years. Loving father of Robert Vander Voort Jr. and Jessica Vander Voort. Proud and loving grandfather of Jenna Keith. Dear brother of Judy McTaggart, Kathy Horlocker (Jim), Ellen Reynolds (John) and the late John Vander Voort (Iva). Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Mr. Vander Voort retired from the city of Detroit after 31 years of service in the Department of Transportation where he served as the Superintendent of vehicle maintenance. Visitation Monday 3-9pm and Tuesday 9am until time of 11am funeral at Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons, Inc., 36900 Schoenherr at Metro Parkway (16 Mile). Memorial contributions to the National Kidney Foundation are appreciated. Please share memories with the family at their "On-Line Guestbook" at [WujekCalcaterra.com](http://WujekCalcaterra.com)

# Tribute Wall

GP

“ ” 2 yrs, tomorrow. Jay and I were walking yesterday and Rob came up several times. I imagine in our subconscious, we knew the anniversary was close. Still miss him every Tuesday.”

Glen Pillow - March 06, 2020 at 12:00 AM

GP

“ ” It will be a year tomorrow, seems like yesterday. Miss my friend.”

Glen Pillow - March 06, 2019 at 12:00 AM

TO

“ ”My deepest sympathy goes out Annette , Robbie , Jesse, Judy , Kathy, and Ellen. I will always will remember Uncle Rob , For his smile and kind heart. But most of all the love he had for his family. R..I P. Love Trish (Wubbolts) Ortisi.”

Trish Ortisi - March 13, 2018 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ ”Tuesday Night Foosball Championship of the World will never be the same without Ruffi. But we will keep him close in spirit. With much love and wonderful memories ~”

Kathy Lightbody - March 12, 2018 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ ”There are no words that can express how much of a fun loving and always happy go lucky kind of person "Uncle Rob" has always and will always be remember in my thoughts and heart. My deepest sympathy to Aunt Annette, Robbie, Jesse, Ellen, Kathy, Judy and families. He will truly be missed.”

Leslie Dolinski - March 12, 2018 at 12:00 AM

CI

“So very sorry we can't be with you during this sad time. You & your family are in our hearts & prayers.”

Cindy - March 12, 2018 at 12:00 AM

CD

“Ellen, Kathy, Judy & Family,”

Cindy Daniell - March 12, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BH

“To the family of Mr. Robert VanderVoort. I send my deepest sympathy to the family during this difficult time. I had the pleasure of working with Mr. Robert VanderVoort until i retired in 2003. I pray that you will find comfort in knowing that "Earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal" and that the comforter will send your family the peace of God that passes all understanding. Rest in peace my friend. John 14:1 Sincerely, Bryant Harris Detroit Department of Transportation”

Bryant Harris - March 12, 2018 at 12:00 AM

HM

“I offer my Heartfelt condolences to FAMILY and Friends, I am deeply Saddened I began work at D-DOT in 1974, we, women joined a majority male work force. I can say, during our encounters. Mr. Vander Voort was a gentleman and always respectful. I retired as Supt. of Transportation in 2012. Transportation learned to work well with Vehicle Maintenance and Bob, we assisted each other. When situations would appear to present a problem with meeting our scheduled requirements, involving vehicles availability, Bob would address the concerns immediately. Sometimes we would be at the terminals at 3 or 4 o'clock in the morning. Often times problems would be addressed by phone..... Sometimes a (B-Inspection coach) would show up with strict instructions: "Bring this BUS back by 9:00 am", or else. Bob was appreciated, he cooked good B-B-Q at Department picnics Vander Voort will not be forgotten May the Almighty continue to provide your Family the courage and strength to bear the pain and rejoice in the MEMORIES. Helen Madden, retired Detroit Department of Transportation"

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**Helen Madden** - March 12, 2018 at 12:00 AM

LS

“We are sorry for your loss. It was a blessing that the family was together at this sad time"

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**Linda Sardelli** - March 11, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SL

“Sally and I are so sorry at you loss, Rob will be missed greatly. His memories and "fascinating stories" will continue in all our hearts. May he rest in peace and may we all be stronger thru having known him."

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**Sally and Roy Luchtan** - March 11, 2018 at 12:00 AM

GP

“ *" What a good friend. Played softball together for years. Very athletic! Came to my 70th B'day party last year, even though it was an 80 mile drive. Foosball partner. Many years of fun together! Gonna miss my Friend. My sympathies to Annette, Robbie, and Jessie!"*

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**Glen Pillow** - March 09, 2018 at 12:00 AM