



Robert John Ross

March 5, 1925 - June 26, 2022

Robert John Ross

On June 26th, 2022 at 11:39 p.m. Dad flew to heaven to be with Mom. He did it all, he lived it all, and he loved us all. We loved him. Robert John Ross, 97, of Brodhead, Wisconsin, was born March 5th, 1925 to Howard and Ruth (Johnson) Ross in Marquette, Michigan.

Dad wanted to join the military when he was just 17 years old, but you needed your parents consent. His mother wouldn't sign, so when he turned 18 on March 5th, he enlisted. Date of his induction was April 9, 1943. Date of service into active duty was April 16, 1943. Date of Separation was March 22, 1946. Dad was with the 89th Airborne Squadron. He was the Aerial Engineer for the B-25 Bomber. He served overseas in the China Burma India Theatre of operations for 23 months and 15 days. Dad received The Good Conduct Medal, The American Theater Service Medal, and The Asiatic-Pacific Theater Service Medal. He was a WWII Veteran. Later in life he went back to school and got his GED.

Dad said the luckiest day in his life was August 13, 1949. He married Alma A. Kern in a candle light ceremony in Waukesha, Wisconsin. She passed away September 28, 2014. They were married 65 years. They lived in Waukesha for 48 years. They moved to Brodhead, in 1987, when dad retired.

Dad was a mechanic at a garage in Milwaukee from 1946-1954. He was a salesman/driver for Hawthorne Melody Ice Cream from 1954-1974. After Hawthorne closed down he went to work as an electrician for International

Harvester of Waukesha 1974-1987. Dad was a member of United Methodist Church of Brodhead. He also was a member of the VFW Post 6858 of Brodhead. Along the way dad had a lot of hobbies. He was a Ham Radio Operator, K9GKE, certified Scuba Diver, Radio Controlled Airplanes, his motorcycle, 4 wheeling, riding his bike on the Brodhead Bike Trail, and walking his dog, Betsy Ross around North Towne.

One of his biggest pleasures was getting his Pilots License and flying all around Wisconsin with Mom. They would go to every Pancake Fly-In they could. They were very proud of their Cessna and would fly it to EAA Air Venture Oshkosh. They also owned property on Castle Rock Lake. They enjoyed lake life.

Dad is survived by his children: Howard (Roz) Ross of Long Beach, California, Karen (Jeffrey) Williams of Brodhead and Patti (Donald) Labs of Islamorada, Florida; daughter-in-law, Amy (Douglas) Limburg of Bountiful, Utah; grandchildren: Sarah (Eric) Pearlman, Paul Ross, John (Sarah) Ross, Kyle (Fonda Sanyaolu) Hudnall, Ashley Williams, Danyelle (Tyler) Bollig, Mathieu (Lauren) Labs, and Kristen (Trevor) Santarius; great-grandchildren: Ethan and Scarlet Pearlman, Sawyer and Ashlynn Phillips, Paxley, Oaklynn, and Stetsyn Bollig.

Preceded in death: his parents, in-laws: Benjamin and Alma Kern, sister: Helen Ross, son: William Ross, son-in-law: James Hudnall, brother in-law: Ben (the late Dorothy) Kern, sister-in-law: Esther (the late Oscar) Staab, sister-in-law: Rosetta Johnson, and brother-in-law: Arnold Johnson.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Friday, July 1st, at the United Methodist Church, Brodhead. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery, Brodhead, with Military Honors. Visitation will be held from 5-7 p.m., Thursday, June 30, at the D.L. Newcomer Funeral Home, Brodhead.

Our Dad is now flying to Heaven to pick up Mom. She will be ready to go and have the map to where the next Pancake Fly-In is.

In lieu of flowers please donate to your favorite charity.

Cemetery Details

Greenwood Cemetery - Brodhead

1106 E. 9th Avenue
Brodhead, WI 53520

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 30. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

D. L. Newcomer Funeral Home
1105 E 9th Ave
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Service

JUL 1. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Robert John Ross.* ”



June 30, 2022 at 12:44 PM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Robert John Ross.* ”



June 30, 2022 at 12:02 PM



“ *9 files added to the album Flying Bob* ”



Mathieu - June 29, 2022 at 04:25 PM

PL

“ *Phyllis Lentz lit a candle in memory of Robert John Ross*



Phyllis Lentz - June 29, 2022 at 10:25 AM

DR

“ *I want to extend my sympathy to the Family of Bob. Will miss him sitting behind me in church. He liked to shake hands and we would visit. Diane Rabe*

Diane Rabe - June 28, 2022 at 10:23 PM

KW

Thank you for the story.

Karen Williams - June 29, 2022 at 11:30 PM

JF

“ *Johnson Family purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Robert John Ross.*



Johnson Family - June 28, 2022 at 04:08 PM

MW

“ *We will miss seeing Bob at church. He had such a great smile and a warm, friendly handshake. Our prayers are with his family and friends. Marty and Karen Wright*

Marty and Karen Wright - June 28, 2022 at 01:04 PM

KW

Thank you.

Karen Williams - June 29, 2022 at 11:31 PM

MM

“ *Mark And Bobette McGinty lit a candle in memory of Robert John Ross*



Mark and Bobette McGinty - June 28, 2022 at 10:45 AM

DF

“ *Doug And Kathy Foslin lit a candle in memory of Robert John Ross*



Doug and Kathy Foslin - June 28, 2022 at 03:00 AM

DF

“ *We were sorry to hear of Bobs' passing but we are so happy to have known him. I will never forget the day I asked him how his dog was. You could tell he loved her because he smiled at me and said "her name is Betsy". The next day before I said anything I said how is "Betsy"? I can still see his big smile and a little wink. She was Betsy from that day on. Bob was a great guy and we will miss him as so many others will too. You all have our deepest sympathy.*

Doug and Kathy Foslin

Doug and Kathy Foslin - June 28, 2022 at 02:59 AM

BN

I want tell Bob's family that I am really gonna miss having Bob as my neighbor. He was such a great guy, and such a gentleman. He always brought from garbage bins back up my driveway for me before I cld get out to do it. Always helping out. The day before he had his surgery and lost his voice, he had to stop me outside to tell me one last joke, while he still could. Such a great loss. My deepest sympathies.
Barb Nordeng

Barbara Nordeng - June 29, 2022 at 09:42 PM

KW

Thank you, he always spoke very highly of you.

Karen Williams - June 29, 2022 at 11:28 PM

DW

“ *Don And Brenda Wahl lit a candle in memory of Robert John Ross*



Don and Brenda Wahl - June 27, 2022 at 07:07 PM

DW

Sympathy for Bob's Family. We will miss seeing Bob and Betsy out for walks. He was a wonderful neighbor.

Don and Brenda Wahl - June 27, 2022 at 07:11 PM

DW

“ *Dean And Nancy Walters lit a candle in memory of Robert John Ross*



Dean and Nancy Walters - June 27, 2022 at 05:37 PM