



Robert P Rynecki

December 5, 1951 - January 22, 2022

Robert "Bob" Rynecki, 70, passed away on January 22, 2022, surrounded by his family. He was born December 8, 1951, in Waterbury, CT, the son of the late John and Jennie Rynecki of Connecticut.

He graduated in 1973 from Southern Connecticut University with B.S. in Microbiology and his masters degree in 1975. For more than 20 years, he worked for Kraft Inc. in quality control, working up to production manager. Bob was also a volunteer paramedic with the CAALSS. Being president, he turned it into a fully paid service run, with EMTs, paramedics and medic nurses in Franklin County. His love of helping people led him to return to college and get his BS in nursing from York College. He started a second career as an ICU Nurse at Chambersburg Hospital where he worked for 19 years. He received many awards, including the PA State Paramedic of the Year in 1989, Nurse of the Year Award from the state of PA in 2000, and the American Association of Critical Care Nurses Circle of Excellence Award in 2010. He was the President of the Cumberland Valley Chapter of AACN from 2002-2008. He taught Microbiology at Penn State Mont Alto for 14 years.

Bob was a member of Corpus Christi Catholic Church. He loved his faith. He served with the Knights of Columbus, St. Vincent De Paul, Retreat Committee, on the Building Committee for the new Narthex, and the Franklin County Historical Society. Bob was a huge NY Yankee and Giant fan and loved metal detecting and studying the Civil War.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by an infant daughter,

Jennifer. He leaves his wife of 48 years, Terry; sons: Paul Rynecki of Chambersburg and David Rynecki of North Carolina and a sister, Dolores. A Mass of the Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, January 29, 2022, in Corpus Christi Catholic Church. There will be a viewing from 6-7:30 pm on Friday, January 28, 2022, at Sellers Funeral Home. The Rosary will be from 7:30-8 following the viewing. Burial will be in Corpus Christi Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Corpus Christi Catholic Church.

Cemetery Details

Corpus Christi Cemetery

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JAN 28. 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

William F. Sellers Funeral Home
297 Philadelphia Ave.
Chambersburg, PA 17201

Rosary

JAN 28. 7:30 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

William F. Sellers Funeral Home
297 Philadelphia Ave.
Chambersburg, PA 17201

Mass

JAN 29. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Corpus Christi Catholic Church
320 Philadelphia Ave
Chambersburg, PA 17201

Tribute Wall

Jl

“ I was Bob's neighbor for 5 years 1995-2000. Bob and I spent many a time talking on topics we shared in common. While I have been gone for over 20 years I never lost my friendship or affection for Bob and his family. In recent times with Bob's affliction, I communicated regularly offering prayers and listening ear. I am comforted knowing Bob's suffering is now over and he can rest in peace. Great friend and neighbor

Sincerely,

Joseph W. Birkbeck III

Joseph W. Birkbeck III - January 31, 2022 at 10:11 AM

BS

“ Please accept my deepest sympathy for the passing of one of the most special people I will ever know. Bob was one of the brightest lights in my life. He taught with excitement that made everything so very interesting. When he shared what he was doing in class, he did it with an excitement that made you want to be in the class. As he worked his shifts as a paramedic he was always real as well as positive. He was a great friend.

I am praying for all of you. I know family was of great importance to Bob. I believe he will always be with you.

Betty Secret

Betty Secret - January 29, 2022 at 01:46 PM

RR

“ *Bob Rynecki,*

What an Honorable and Inspiring person. We met Bob at the YMCA Chambersburg. Great guy to be around. He always welcomed everyone. Bob will forever be one of our YMCA BROTHERS. Tell stories and laugh. He will always be with you.

Rod & Theresa Reichard

Rod Reichard - January 29, 2022 at 05:57 AM

CC

“ *Bob was a great friend and colleague. We worked well together, both on the job and in AACN. He was always positive, and I love that. He loved his family but had room to love the ones he worked with too. He will be deeply missed.*

Cheryl Cook - January 28, 2022 at 08:35 PM

MV

“ *My world is a brighter place having had Uncle Bob's light in it. What can you say about a man of science and service that hundreds of lives cannot? My Godfather armed me with a faith which has always comforted me in my darkest times, as I hope it serves Aunt Terri and the family now. I will be alongside you during The Rosary tonight.*

I love you guys and I miss you.

- Mike Verlezza



Mike Verlezza - January 28, 2022 at 07:13 PM

SS

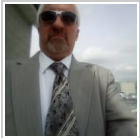
“ *I was saddened and shocked to hear of Bob's passing. I knew Bob from the hospital as well he and my husband Paul worked as EMTs together. Bob always had a smile for all. Prayers and condolences to your family*

Sue Strubhar - January 27, 2022 at 04:07 PM

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“ Bob was truly the “Bob-Father” of the ICU. He welcomed everyone with open arms and found joy in seeing all of us succeed. Bob was a wealth of knowledge, not just professionally but about life. He shared so many tips and tricks with each of us. Perhaps the most important lesson he shared with me was about dying. My Mom had just gotten diagnosed with cancer. I was sad, angry, and felt hopeless. Bob had many conversations with me throughout the following 9 months of her illness preceding her death. He cared and supported me like a father would. He showed this same kind of genuine love to everyone he encountered. His smile could light up a room (which was a good thing considering he was a night shifter!). Bob was one of a kind. To his family - my heart breaks for all of you. Please know, the legacy Bob has left in this world spreads far and wide. We are all kinder and better nurses because of his impact on each of us.

Jess Lecrone (Lane) - January 27, 2022 at 04:58 AM



“ I got to know Paul when he worked in the ICU at the Chambersburg Hospital. I worked with Paul at the hospital. He was a wonderful person to work with. He always greeted you with a smile. He will be greatly missed. I give his family my condolences and will keep his family in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Joseph Bowman - January 26, 2022 at 11:24 PM

SB

“ Bob was an incredible mentor to many including myself. I met him as my Microbiology professor at PSU then had the privilege of working with him in the hospital. He challenged me and many other growing nurses to always want to do the right thing for your patients. He taught me to take pride in our profession and to always work smarter. You never cut corners because your patient is counting on you to know what to do and to do what is best. He has had a profound effect on how I have grown as a nurse and I hope that I can carry that on and share his knowledge and vision with other growing nurses. Bob has impacted countless lives throughout his life and career. My deepest condolences go out to his family for such a great loss. Please take comfort in knowing that your Bob has found his way in to many of our hearts and has forever changed how we will continue to teach and lead in his honor.

Shannon Bock - January 26, 2022 at 01:01 PM

PA

“ So sorry to hear the passing of Bob. What a great neighbor always happy to see our dog sophie and He had her spoiled by giving her treats all the time he is going to be missed praying for the family at this difficult time

paine - January 26, 2022 at 12:20 PM

WB

“ Bob was a great person and he will be missed. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.

William Blednick - January 25, 2022 at 03:23 PM

BR

RIP Sir Knight Robert Rynecki

Brian - January 25, 2022 at 07:16 PM

FA

*Terry & family,
We were saddened to hear of Bob passing; may God give you and
your family strength to get thru the coming days. God bless you all.
Faye & Juan Ruiz (Why Buy New Consignment Shop)*

Faye - January 25, 2022 at 07:24 PM

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*Terry,Paul, David and family,my deepest sympathy. I am truly honored
to have.known you since our paramedic days. Love and comforting
prayers for all of you.I am sure Bob is telling his stories to entertain all
of heaven!*

Marguerite L. Fries (Meg) - January 26, 2022 at 03:52 AM

DE

*Extremely saddened on learning of Bob's passing. One of my teachers
at PSU. A true angel among us , he will be greatly rewarded in heaven
for all his efforts. Many prayers to the family of comfort and peace.*

Darlene Etchberger - January 26, 2022 at 10:11 AM

RW

*Read of Bob's passing with shock and sorrow. He was a wonderful
person. I came to know him at the historical society where we had very
interesting conversations. He always provided a bright spot in the day
and will be missed.*

Robert L Windemuth - January 27, 2022 at 07:50 AM