



## John Robert "Bob" Wilson

July 6, 1951 - May 5, 2024

John Robert "Bob" Wilson passed away peacefully in his home in St. James, Missouri on May 5th 2024.

He is survived by his wife of 51 years Sharon Wilson (Cruts) of St. James; his two sons, Tim

Wilson and wife Barb of St. James, Josh Wilson and wife Stacia of Kansas City; grandsons TJ,

Jake, Max, Trey, Michael, and Myer of Kansas City.

Siblings Dennis Wilson and wife Lynn, and Judy Carney and husband Gene, both of St. James;

also survived are 12 nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by parents Ira and Margaret Wilson, brother Michael Richard "Dick",

sister Francis Kay, father and mother-in-law Robert and Margaret Cruts, son Tyler Jeremiah,

and nephews Corey and Lucas.

Bob was born on July 6th 1951 in St. Louis, Missouri. He graduated from John F Hodge high

school in 1969, and married Sharon Cruts, his high school sweetheart, in 1972. He graduated

from UMR with a degree in mechanical engineering in 1973 and the newlyweds moved to

Dallas, Texas where he worked for six months before moving to Danville, Illinois to work for Teepak Incorporated for 5 years. They then moved to Columbia, South Carolina before moving back home to St. James in 1977. Bob worked at Verkamp and then Wilson Lumber until 1999 before moving to Phelps County Bank and worked there until 2017.

Bob was a part of numerous organizations and philanthropic groups since returning to St. James in 1977. Most notably the Boys and Girls Town Board of Directors, St. James Alumni Scholarship Committee, St. James Chamber of Commerce, St. James School Board, and was chosen the volunteer of the year for the State of Missouri in 1992 for helping to create a parent support group for children with disabilities. Bob was a furious friend, a great boss, coached multiple youth teams throughout the years, and he and mom were fixtures in the St. James Community. But he will always be remembered best for being an unbelievable father, the best grandpa, and an extraordinary husband to Sharon.

There will be a visitation at James and Gahr Mortuary on Friday from 4-8 PM with a prayer service at 5:30PM. Funeral service will be at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church on Saturday starting at 10:45 AM and followed by the burial at St. James Catholic Cemetery. In Lieu of flowers Bob requested donations to the St. James Golf Club cart path additions and improvements.

# Cemetery Details

## Immaculate Conception Catholic Cemetery

St. James, MO

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 10. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

James & Gahr Mortuary - St. James

117 Seymour St.

St. James, MO 65559

(573) 265-3232

dcjames@fidnet.com

<https://www.jamesgahrmortuary.com/>

## Prayer Service

MAY 10. 5:30 PM (CT)

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## Memorial Mass

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MAY 11. 10:45 AM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church  
St. James, MO

# Tribute Wall

KH

“ To Sharon and the entire Wilson family. I am so sorry for your loss. Bob was a really solid cousin and nice man. I will think of him often.  
Condolences, Katrina Hertfelder

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**Katrina Hertfelder** - June 10, 2024 at 01:51 PM

CS

“ To Sharon & the Wilson family, may God bless you all & comfort you in this time of need. I have many great memories of Bob & Sharon celebrating Anniversaries & Birthdays at Sybills St. James & being the server to make their occasion the best that it could be. And that smile & twinkle Bob had in his eyes, especially with family will never be forgotten. It has been an honor & privilege to know such a wonderful individual.

*Cathy Shaw*

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**Cathy Shaw** - May 10, 2024 at 05:54 PM

FS

“ The years spent in junior high and high school playing sports and all the associated activities created strong bonds that last forever. I am so fortunate to have spent that time with Bob, and Sharon. Bob will be missed and always remembered.  
Condolences,  
Farrel Summers

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**Farrel Summers** - May 10, 2024 at 01:43 PM

JD

“ Bob was a great guy! He helped my husband Wally and I get a loan to build our retirement home in St. James in 2005. I think Bob knew all of my siblings, but he was in the same high school class as my brother John Haynes. Bob will be missed by many! R.I.P.

Judy Dawson - May 10, 2024 at 01:02 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Robert "Bob" Wilson.



May 09, 2024 at 06:24 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of John Robert "Bob" Wilson.



May 09, 2024 at 03:53 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of John Robert "Bob" Wilson.



May 09, 2024 at 10:39 AM

AT

“ Andy, Leslie and Mason Tonsor planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John Robert "Bob" Wilson.

Andy, Leslie and Mason Tonsor - May 09, 2024 at 10:39 AM

MC

“ Mook and Sara Cunningham planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John Robert "Bob" Wilson.

Mook and Sara Cunningham - May 08, 2024 at 02:36 PM

MC

“ Mook and Sara Cunningham purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of John Robert "Bob" Wilson.



Mook and Sara Cunningham - May 08, 2024 at 02:36 PM

LH

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the Bob's family.

LISA HAPPEL - May 07, 2024 at 03:07 PM

LH

“ LISA HAPPEL lit a candle in memory of John Wilson



LISA HAPPEL - May 07, 2024 at 03:07 PM

AF

“ Alex Pollack family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John Robert "Bob" Wilson.

Alex Pollack family - May 07, 2024 at 08:47 AM

AF

“ Alex Pollack family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of John Robert "Bob" Wilson.



Alex Pollack family - May 07, 2024 at 08:47 AM

KB

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. Bob was such a kind man and I will remember him helping me at the lumber yard. He always had an infectious smile to all of us. Kenn and Weng Bruner

Kenn and Weng Bruner - May 07, 2024 at 05:49 AM

GM

“ Love and Prayers for Sharon and families and dear friends. Our hearts go out for all of you. I will remember Bob most for his smile. He was a year ahead in school but it seemed to me that he and Sharon were Always Together!❤️❤️ God bless you all with His peace and comfort.  
Gail Wadlow Maphies

Gail Wadlow Maphies - May 06, 2024 at 07:29 PM

SM

*Sharon and family, Know that my thoughts, prayers and love are with you at this loss-filled moment as they have been for the last few weeks. My memories and appreciation are far too many to mention. Sister Virginia Meyer SSND*

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**Sister Virginia Meyer** - May 07, 2024 at 02:55 PM