



## Robert "Bob" Ruszel

July 19, 1955 - June 22, 2012

Bob Ruszel was born July 19th, 1955 in Evergreen Park, Illinois. He passed away June 22, 2012

Bob graduated from Richards High School in Oak Lawn, Illinois and was most proud of being School Editor. His wit, character and sense of humor gained him popularity with his classmates.

Bob worked for several companies including Selfex where he met many of his lifelong friends. He moved onward and upward in his career ending as Senior Administrator of Distribution Centers with Lanier Copier Company. Bob worked hard at his job and was highly respected for his insight and "tell it like it is" attitude.

Bob's major forms of entertainment included: NASCAR Racing, vacationing in Jamaica, camping, cheering for the White Sox, Blackhawks and Chicago Bears, golfing, Yahtzee and sharing many wonderful moments with his numerous long time friends. He brought endless laughter and joy to everyone's life and will be greatly missed. Bob "played" as hard as he worked and enjoyed life to the fullest.

Bob met the love of his life, Sue Steele, in April of 2000 and both of their lives together proved to be the perfect match. He often said that a man couldn't ask for anything better than to be loved by his soul mate and his many lifelong friends.

We will all miss him greatly. The many memories and the gift of laughter he has given us will never be forgotten.

Home Celebration Memorial, New Orleans style, will be July 14 at Sue & Bob's home in Midlothian. For information, call (708) 444-2266.

# Tribute Wall



“ Mom, (being I am my mother's daughter), when you first met Bob I was thinking...what the hell?! But then the first time I saw the smile on your face and how happy you were, I knew in that moment that you had found your soul mate, and love that you deserved. Bob taught everyone how to "live"...don't ever let a moment pass you by, and anyone around him couldn't help but to do just that. I am so thankful that your paths crossed and that he loved you the way he did, showed you a new life and brought everlasting smiles to your face. I admire Bob for his strength and his fight, for his honesty and courage, for his passion in life....for just being him. He will always be my special "Bobo", a man I am so proud to call Dad. I love you Momma!##imported-begin##Becki##imported-end##

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July 18, 2012 at 11:01 AM



“ Everytime bob walked into my office (I'm his Chiropractor) he took the place over. He was loved by my entire staff. He made us all laugh even during the hectic schedule. We will all miss the laughter he brought us . I learned from Bob that life was not just about work. He reminded me , in his own charming way ( god help us all), to take the time to do the important things. I will always remember and love Bob for how much he did for me. Imagine that, Bob came to me for help and wound up helping me more than I ever helped him. Thank you Bob and all your loving friends for becoming part of my life. I will always be grateful.##imported-begin##Dr. G##imported-end##

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July 09, 2012 at 09:51 PM



“ Bob was a great boss and an even better person. Always fair and tried to be in good spirits even when he was feeling down. You will be missed greatly. My heart goes out to sue who I know he loved dearly.##imported-begin##marie vela##imported-end##

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June 30, 2012 at 08:00 AM



“ Sometimes there is a person in our lives that shows us what life can be. Bob was that person for he enriched the lives of the people around him as they enriched his. Going from a rough start in life to the great place he was at towards the end of his life is a testament to the man he was. We can all learn from Bob the way he lived life to the fullest. I know he would want each and everyone of us to live life to the fullest and to just remember him with joy in our hearts not tears in our eyes. So as we wipe away the tears from our eyes remember to smile and maybe laugh a little also. Bob will be missed by many and I will be one of them, even as the end was near he seemed to always manage a smile if not a chuckle. His effect on my life was very positive he was a great brother-in-law. My sister could not have found a better man I'm glad she brought Bob into my life. I just hope Sue and everyone that feels this great loss understands that we were lucky to spend the time we did with him. I send love to my sister Sue and all the people that surrounded Bob through the years. May God bless and grant peace to all, rest in peace Bob you have done a good job here###imported-begin##Don Esler###imported-end##

June 27, 2012 at 11:05 PM



“ He was a great friend and will be missed very much.###imported-begin##Don/Kathy Weymouth###imported-end##

June 27, 2012 at 03:58 PM



“ We've lost a good friend and a great guy.

*RIP, Bob, your pain is gone. My thoughts are with Sue, your family and your team. You are missed. I shall never see "red gold" again without thinking of you.###imported-begin##Gloria Palmer###imported-end##*

June 27, 2012 at 02:26 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear of Bob passing. I have worked with him more years than I care to count with Lanier then Ricoh and he always had a way to make me laugh. I remember his two weeks he took every year to enjoy life. Since changes within the company I have not had the chance to work with him as much over the last couple years and missed that, and now I will miss it even more.. God Bless Bob###imported-begin##Cindy Ledbetter###imported-end##

June 27, 2012 at 01:31 PM



“ I first met Bob when I was a sales rep at a staffing company. I was out cold calling late one afternoon and stopped into his warehouse. Someone went to get him, and when he came out and saw I was a sales rep, he started yelling at me. "I don't have time for this, I already have a staffing agency", etc. I left, and the next day I still had that encounter on my mind. I knew his yelling couldn't have been personal, so I swallowed hard, picked up the phone, and when Bob answered, I said, "Hi, I'm Jane. I stopped in yesterday at the end of what seemed to be a pretty bad day for you. I thought we could try this again." He started laughing and told me I had a lot of guts to call him back. I think at that moment we became friends. We stayed in touch as I moved to different companies, and Bob was always there to give a word of advice, or just a good laugh about some ridiculous situation. I have many good memories of my chats with Bob, and will treasure them.##imported-begin##Jane Clark##imported-end##

June 27, 2012 at 09:31 AM



“ Thank you Bob for all the great memories and all of your support throughout the years. You will be truly missed but never forgotten. Rest in peace.

Sincerely,

John##imported-begin##John Hutch##imported-end##

June 26, 2012 at 10:36 PM



“ I only had the chance to meet Bob a couple of times as he was in Chicago and I was in Atlanta, but we talked often on the phone. Bob was a good man who did his best to perform his duties so as not to cause others any difficulties. We often talked about the stress and pressures of our positions and Bob would always tell it as he saw it. He was truthful and dedicated to those he had daily contact with. I pray for the family he has left behind and they find strength to accept his departure. May God surround this family and fill them with His love, grace and assurance Bob is being well taken care of.##imported-begin##Don Barfield##imported-end##

June 26, 2012 at 10:12 AM



“ Rest in peace Bob .##imported-begin##Mike Jaleel##imported-end##

June 26, 2012 at 09:17 AM



“ My sympathies go out to Bob's family. I had the pleasure of working with Bob several years ago and went up to Chicago for a week to help out with year end close out one year. I always tried to keep in touch at least once a year with Bob to find out how things were going. I am going to miss him.##imported-begin##Pam Bishop##imported-end##

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June 26, 2012 at 08:12 AM



“ My sympathies and best wishes go out to Bob's family. A good man I had the pleasure of working with for many years and can still picture sitting pool side within minutes of the day's last meeting. Not many know or remember his strength of character to "fix" what he found and keep it his own. I do and will. Rest easy Bob.##imported-begin##John Badecker##imported-end##

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June 26, 2012 at 07:35 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Bobs family. I had the pleasure of working with Bob at Ricoh. When I was first promoted to manager in Atlanta Bob was always willing to help me out when I needed it. He always made the Managers meetings we used to have every year a blast. He will be missed he was one of the good guys. Rest in peace Bob.##imported-begin##Butch Mitchell##imported-end##

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June 25, 2012 at 08:22 PM



“ I had the pleasure of working with Bob for many years via email and phone. Whenever I needed anything I could count on Bob. We had a common love of Jimmy Buffett and Bob always had tales of Jamaica. He told me how happy he was when Sue came into his life. I will miss Bob's friendship. My heart goes out to Sue and his family. He will truly be missed.##imported-begin##Margie Bevis##imported-end##

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June 25, 2012 at 08:10 PM



“ I had the pleasure of working with Bob for the past 5 years. He was one of the coolest bosses I have ever worked for. No matter if I was having a bad day, he could always make me laugh. Even when he got sick, he always had a smile on his face and a good joke to tell you. I'll always remember Friday's after work with the crew @ Shark City to PoPo on North Ave! haha Bob, I will miss you. You were a great guy and always looked out for me. You will always be in my thoughts and prayers. I know you are soaking up the sun in Jamaica!###imported-begin###Katie O'Donnell###imported-end##

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June 25, 2012 at 03:13 PM



“ Rest in peace, Bob. Glad your pain is gone.###imported-begin###Janet Nettles###imported-end##

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June 25, 2012 at 12:32 PM



“ My heartfelt condolences to Bob's family.

*It was my good fortune to work with Bob for several years at both Lanier & Ricoh. Bob was a real pro who could always be counted on.*

*He fought the good fight and is now in a better place.*

*Again, my sincerest sympathies.*

*John D.###imported-begin###John Dzierzak###imported-end##*

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June 25, 2012 at 11:57 AM