



Robert P. Fry

January 26, 2018 - August 6, 2018

Fry, Robert Perry

1946-2018

Of Houghton Lake, Michigan, and Cape Coral, Florida, age 72, died of heart failure on Monday, August 6, 2018. The memorial celebration will be at 1 p.m. on Sunday, August 19 at Dryer Funeral Home in Holly.

Robert (Bob) was born on January 26, 1946, to the late Percy and Edith Fry in Flint. He grew up in Holly with his sisters Gail Fry, Connie (Fry) Kochenderfer and Karen (Fry) Guffin. Bob graduated from Holly High School. He married Cynthia Oistad on July 20, 1986, at Houghton Lake.

Above all else, Bob loved Cindy, and Cindy loved Bob.

Bob's love of sports began in high school where he a varsity member of the Holly tennis team, which he greatly enjoyed. He also liked playing softball, tennis, basketball and running track. He was a follower of the Detroit Tigers, Lions and loved Michigan State football and basketball.

Bob attended Michigan State University and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Education in 1968. He then joined the Peace Corps and served

teaching math on the Caribbean Island of Nevis for two years. Bob loved to travel all over the world, from his earliest days of hitchhiking when he was a college student and traveled all over the U.S., Europe, Africa, and South America.

“He brought the love of travel to our marriage and we continued traveling throughout the U.S., Caribbean and Europe,” Cindy said. “He also loved boating. From our first butterfly sailboat to speedboats to our final pontoon, he always enjoyed boating and being on the water.”

Bob retired as a computer technician from Mott Community College in 2001 and loved retirement. “The six o’clock alarm never rings,” he said of achieving retirement.

Bob loved living in Cape Coral, Florida, in the winter and enjoying the sun, beaches, the warmth and wildlife, specifically the plunging pelicans and dancing dolphins. Wherever Bob was friends and family were not far behind. Visitors enjoyed the pleasures of a winter getaway and the company of Bob and Cindy in Florida and the summer campfires and changing seasons in Houghton Lake. Bob loved the summers in Houghton Lake. “Life is good, celebrate, be proud!” he often said.

He also loved “viewing the moment” and watching the birds, squirrels and deer as they played.

One of Bob’s defining characteristics was his heart. He was generous and kind and had a soft spot for cats. For example, Bob picked a cat from a pet rescue in Fenton, named him Alfie and spoiled him daily.

Bob is preceded in death by his parents; and sisters Gail Fry and Karen (Fry) Guffin.

Survivors include his wife, Cindy; daughter, Monica Fry of Dexter, Michigan; sister Connie (Fry) Kochenderfer and her husband Eric of Fostoria, Michigan; and several nieces and nephews. Cindy and Monica wish to thank the wonderful nurses, aides, doctors and all the great, hardworking staff on the 3rd floor at Mid-Michigan Midland Hospital.

Memorial donations may be made to the charity of your choice. www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com

Previous Events

Service

AUG **19**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Dryer Funeral Home
101 First St
Holly, MI 48442
(248) 634-8291

Tribute Wall

JD

“ To Bob's family, please know that his classmates from 1964 are moved by Bob's passing. Personally, I am sorry I am out of state and can not pay my respects. May God bless and comfort you!

Jim Disbrow - August 11, 2018 at 05:23 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Robert P. Fry.



August 11, 2018 at 12:03 PM

BM

“ We have spent so many wonderful years with Cindy & Bob that picking one memory is difficult. We especially enjoyed visiting them in Flint, Houghton Lake & in Cape Coral. Over the years there have been so many get togethers, special occasions, lunches, dinners, restaurants, boat rides, trips to Sanibel, sunset watching, bird watching & just hanging out and gabbing! We remember the get-togethers in Flint when we played Pictionary with friends, helping them pack for their first move to FL, helping them get his father's property ready for sale, the many boat rides from Lake Fenton to Cape Coral to Houghton Lake. We will cherish the many interesting conversations & memories. We will genuinely miss his many worldly stories, his quit wit and mostly his company. Bob jokingly called Cindy I the Trophy Wives. Mere words cannot describe how much he will be missed & we plan to be there whenever Cindy needs us.
Love,
John & Brenda

Brenda McCary - August 10, 2018 at 11:07 AM

RS

From Maggi & Roger in Holly & Cape Coral We are Anxious to meet You as we share many of your similar times Roger 810 845 4540 or Maggi 810 845 3427

Roger Studley - August 17, 2018 at 05:50 PM

SM

“ *Grew up with him and Cindy. Parents would always stop over for get togethers and he would be the kindest most generous host there was. Growing up I didn't get to see him as much, but the memories will live on forever.*

Sam McCary - August 08, 2018 at 10:25 PM

SB

“ *So sorry for your loss. Prayers for you and your family. Al and Sharon Earns Blosser.*



Sharon Earns Blosser - August 08, 2018 at 09:09 PM



“ *So sorry to hear about Bob. Paul and I both remember all the good times at Houghton Lake with you guys. And all the parties and cookouts at your house with all the "library" people! Our prayers and thoughts are with you.*

Jamie Buchanan - August 08, 2018 at 03:09 PM

JE

“ I am so sorry to hear of Bob’s passing. He was such a kind man. It was a pleasure to take care of him and to get to know you both, Cindy. I will be thinking of your family during this difficult time.
Jenna, RN

Jenna - August 08, 2018 at 01:58 PM

SA

“ So sorry i wasn't there for you i just found out this moment 💕💕💕💕💕💕

sallystotler - August 08, 2018 at 01:05 PM

SA

“ So sorry Cindy my heart is with you both prayers to family and friends love you💕



sallystotler - August 08, 2018 at 12:58 PM



“ Bob was such a great man. I worked with him at Mott Community College. I also worked with his wife Cindy at Genesee District Library. Cindy was one of my bridesmaid's. I remember Bob and Cindy dancing at my wedding. We would get together quite often for dinner at one of our houses. We would go out to the Wagon Wheel or other places to go dancing. Such a great couple. I haven't seen them in quite a while but my heart is still feeling the loss.

Dawn Swanson - August 08, 2018 at 12:49 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of Bob's passing. Prayers for comfort and strength.* ”



Jinx Kincaid - August 08, 2018 at 11:22 AM