



Robert "Pops" Nowak

December 17, 1933 - April 4, 2022

April 4, 2022 of Depew, NY. Beloved husband of 61 years to Rita M. (nee Konwinski); Loving father of David and Timothy (Robin) Nowak; cherished grandfather of Gabrielle. Devoted brother of the late Randolph (Gerry Johnson) and the late Dennis (Julie) Nowak. Also survived by nieces and nephews. Bob was a proud 30 year US Army Veteran, a retiree of American Axle, Buffalo and longtime employee of Value Home Center on Dick Rd, Cheektowaga. The family will be present to receive relatives and friends on Thursday from 3-8PM at the DANIEL R. SMOLAREK FUNERAL HOME, 2510 Union Rd., Cheektowaga (2 blocks south of William St.). A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Friday at 10AM in Resurrection RC Church, Cheektowaga (corner of Union & Como Park Blvd). Please assemble at Church. Flowers gratefully declined. Donations may be made in Bob's name to the Wounded Warrior Project or SPCA serving WNY. Please leave condolences online at www.SmolarekCares.com

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 7. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Daniel R. Smolarek Funeral Home - Cheektowaga
2510 Union Road
Cheektowaga, NY 14227

Mass of Christian Burial

APR 8. 10:00 AM (ET)

Resurrection RC Church
130 Como Park Blvd.
Cheektowaga, NY 14227

Military Honors

APR 8. 10:45 AM (ET)

Resurrection RC Church
130 Como Park Blvd.
Cheektowaga, NY 14227

Tribute Wall

LT

“ When Tim joined our family Pops was such an added plus. Every time we got together our conversations blended. We had so many discussions about cats, hockey, golf and family. Never a harsh word spoken. Bob will be missed 🙏

leslie tandler - April 06, 2022 at 05:19 PM

MP

“ Dear Mrs. Nowak, Tim, Robin, Gaby and David;
Please accept our sincere condolences on Mr. Nowak's passing. It was always a treat to visit with him, talk about hockey and share a few laughs.

Sincerely,

Mark and Debbie Pare and Family.

Mark Pare - April 06, 2022 at 02:32 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Robert "Pops" Nowak.



April 06, 2022 at 12:07 PM



“ *Bob will be extremely missed by his Valu family at store 15. He was a legend at that store. Customers would wait for him to work just to get his expertise, especially in the paint department. He taught me a lot about life and about everything Valu. He was always kind, funny and telling me about his military life and his cat, as well as his family who he was very proud of. We would talk about cats and Sabres the most as we shared those passions. I will miss his dance moves and jokes. Rest In Peace.*

Love, Hannah (Valu co-worker)

Hannah Rachel - April 06, 2022 at 10:57 AM

GN

I hope you know our family appreciates this message so much!

Gabrielle Nowak - April 07, 2022 at 10:27 AM



Bob was very special to his Valu “family”. Thank you for sharing so many memories with us tonight. It was truly a pleasure.

Hannah Rachel - April 07, 2022 at 08:41 PM

DD

“ *Ma, Tim, Robin & Gabby*
My heart goes out to you all over the passing of Pops. Soon the many happy memories and special moments will replace the sadness and be treasured reminders of the great man Pops was. I am grateful to have been a friend.

Love
Canadian Dave

David Denton - April 06, 2022 at 10:22 AM

BM

“ Mrs Nowak and family, Very sad to hear that “Pops” passed away. Always looked forward to be in Buffalo and to see him. I will fondly remember his friendly smile and positive attitude. We will all miss him. Brian & Lisa Murphy

Brian Murphy - April 05, 2022 at 09:36 PM

SD

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Scott Driscoll - April 05, 2022 at 05:37 PM

SD

“ To Mrs Nowak, Tim, Robin, Gabby and David. Please accept our heartfelt condolences for your loss. “Pops” was a great man who said little but spoke volumes with his eyes and smile. It was always great to see him after a Sabres Game or at Training Camp Coaching us on. We will miss him. Love The Driscoll Family

Scott Driscoll - April 05, 2022 at 05:30 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert "Pops" Nowak.



April 05, 2022 at 12:57 PM