



## Robert Lynn Cordes

July 25, 1954 - July 26, 2025

Robert "Bob" L. Cordes, 71, of Ridgeville Corners, Ohio passed away on Saturday, July 26, 2025, at CHP Defiance Inpatient Hospice. He was born in Napoleon, Ohio on July 25th, 1954, to the late Maurice "Mort" and Margaret (Baden) Cordes.

Bob was a second-generation plumber and after helping his father Mort with the family business he later owned/operated Cordes Plumbing until he retired in 2011. He enjoyed watching sporting events, including the Detroit Tigers and Pittsburgh Steelers but most of all he was a big motor sports/racing fan. He even sponsored his son Joe's go-cart, enduro, and bomber cars. Bob also took great pride in his yard. If he wasn't mowing or clearing leaves he could be found with his friends at the Okolona Tavern and the Ten Pin Tap.

He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law Joseph and Haley (Rathge) Cordes; grandson, Cale Cordes, and has another grandson on the way. Also surviving are his siblings, Sue (Jim) Kirby of Laurinburg NC, Sally (Rick) Steffey of Okolona OH, Ted (Sandy) Cordes of Ridgeville Corners OH; and his nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, Bob was preceded in death by his brothers, Richard "Dick" Cordes and Scott Cordes and a niece, Sara Steffey.

A private graveside service will take place with a celebration of life to be held

at a later date. Memorial contributions in remembrance of Bob, may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church Napoleon Township or CHP Defiance Inpatient Hospice. Online condolences and messages may be shared with the family at [rodenbergergray.com](http://rodenbergergray.com). Arrangement entrusted to Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home, Napoleon.

# Tribute Wall

PK

“ Bob was one of a kind, from a great family who liked to have fun and they were always laughing. Hugs to the family and especially my bud, Sally. ❤️

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**Pam Kruse** - August 05, 2025 at 11:43 AM

KM

“ Dear Joe & Haley,

*We are saddened and sorry for your loss.*

*In thought & prayer, we will continue to  
Envision the Highest Good for him, you, and all other relations.*

*Peace Be with You,*

*Kim Miller & Joyce Rowe*



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**Kim N Miller** - August 02, 2025 at 05:03 PM

TS

“ Teresa S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert Lynn Cordes.

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**Teresa S.** - August 01, 2025 at 09:20 AM

MS

“ Bob worked hard on every job I had him do for Brookside Farm.  
This year marks 100 years that the farm has been in the Schuette  
Family : Herman Paul Marcus. Bob, your God given art helped us  
save our barn!

*Marcus E. Schuette Katie Robert Ty Morrison*

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**Marcus E. Schuette** - July 30, 2025 at 12:35 AM

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“ May God Bless ya Bob and hold you in the Palms of His Hands.  
My sympathies to the families.

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**Tim Downey** - July 28, 2025 at 03:41 PM