



Robert "Rob" L. Potts

October 31, 1935 - May 31, 2018

Robert "Rob" L. Potts, age 82, of Blakesburg, passed away on May 31, 2018, at the Ottumwa Hospice House, surrounded by his loved ones.

Rob was born on October 31, 1935, in Monroe County, IA, to Clair and Dorothy (Jones) Potts. He attended the Moravia High School graduating with the Class of 1954. Later he attended Indian Hills Community College and received his Associates Degree. On October 8, 1983 he was united in marriage to BettyRae Lentner at the First Christian Church in Albia. To this union a son, Michael, was born. Rob and BettyRae spent 34 years of marriage together.

Rob was a lifelong farmer. He raised row crops and enjoyed managing a cow and calf operation. After retiring, Rob was a seed dealer for DeKalb. He was a lifelong member of the First Christian Church in Albia. He was a licensed minister and did many sermons for the church in Albia as well as the surrounding communities.

Rob enjoyed crossword puzzles, being outdoors and attending farm auctions. Above all, he enjoyed spending time with his family and friends.

Rob is survived by his wife, BettyRae Potts of Blakesburg; his son, Mike (Shannon Houston) Potts of Blakesburg; 4 nephews, Matt, Dave, and Jim

Potts and Brian Bates; a niece, Karen Chabal as well as many wonderful cousins and good friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Clair and Dorothy Potts; a step-mother, Beth Potts; a brother, Richard Potts and a sister, Martha Bates.

Visitation will be held from 1:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 6, 2018, at the Tharp Funeral Home with Rob's family present from 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. to greet family and friends.

A memorial service will be held at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, June 7, 2018, at the First Christian Church in Albia with Pastor Lynda Carlson officiating. A private family burial will be held at a later date at the Salem Cemetery in Iconium, Iowa.

Memorials have been established to the Christian Conference Center, The First Christian Church in Albia, Hospice of Davis and Wapello County or the Ottumwa Symphony.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 6. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Tharp Funeral Home
116 Benton Ave.
Albia, IA 52531
(641) 932-3129
<https://www.tharpfh.com/>

Memorial Service

JUN 7. 10:30 AM (CT)

First Christian Church
203 Washington Ave East
Albia, IA 52531

Tribute Wall



“ *Robert "Rob" L. Potts*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Robert "Rob" L. Potts*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert "Rob" L. Potts.*



June 04, 2018 at 09:37 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Robert "Rob" L. Potts.*



June 04, 2018 at 05:06 PM



“ *Betty Rae and Mike, We are sorry to hear of John's passing. Ted and Dianne Haas*

Ted and Dianne Haas - June 04, 2018 at 09:59 AM



“ Dear Potts Family,

I am thinking of all of you. I work at Great River Medical Center in Burlington, IA as a chaplain. So sorry to get the Regional Office memo on Bob's passing. I am thinking of all of you. I arrived in Media, IL from Washington DC. I enjoy the Midwestern honesty and welcoming spirit of the people. Sounds like Bob had those qualities. Receive my condolences and may you know the Spirit's presence. Rev. Amy E. Booker-Hirsch at Great River Medical Center in Burlington, IA.

Amy Booker-Hirsch - June 03, 2018 at 01:07 PM



“ My prayers and well wishes go out to Rob's family. Rob was so supportive when I first came to the DOC cluster meetings. He always wanted to know how I was doing, what was going well and what I was struggling with. He had a story to tell, usually a joke on himself. He was so much fun. I always looked forward to seeing him at regional gatherings to hear what was happening in his world and what was going on in the cluster. I will really miss him. Carla Nelson

Carla Nelson - June 01, 2018 at 06:40 PM