



Robert Orkis

November 14, 1956 - November 22, 2021

Robert "Bob" Kim Orkis

Born in Columbus, Ohio on November 14th 1956 Died on November 22, 2021 at the age of 65.

He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Hannelore Mueller Orkis, Mother Edith Orkis of Orange City FL, Brothers, John Orkis and his family in Orlando, FL, and Randy Orkis and his family in Pataskala, OH. Preceded in death by his father, John Orkis from Gahanna, OH.

Bob was an amazing man! He was a loving husband of 41 years, oldest of 3 brothers, son-in-law, manager of thousands & countless friends.

He easily made friends wherever he went. Uniquely he kept those friends for life!

He was a leader and mentor in all walks of life! Family, Athletics, Community and Business. He was a Hall of Fame Athlete and Captain of multiple High School Championship Teams, played football at the University of South Carolina, and Mentor in the Big Brothers program of Texas.

He was known for being a rock-solid man, physically, mentally & in strength of

character and integrity. Bob always just did right thing, regardless of the potential consequences. He was willing to choose the road less traveled for the right cause.

Bob was a great listener and soft spoken, but when he did speak, everyone listened, and learned.

He enjoyed a very successful career in the Mortgage Industry. He rose to the highest levels of leadership. He served as, Chief Information Officer, for several of the largest firms in the Industry. Bob was revered by his employees for his unwavering loyalty to them.

As strong as he was, he had an even bigger heart. He was so big because he needed room for his huge heart - a loving gentle teddy bear.

Very quick witted ... always known for getting in the last word! He loved his family, dogs, golf, muscle cars, poker, music, brownies & Mexican food and especially Margaritas!

Friends were quoted saying, "It was an honor to all who had the opportunity to know him...He was like a big brother to everyone...He was truly one of the good guys...One of the greatest we will ever know."

Bob left us way too soon but has provided memories that will last forever. He will be missed!!!

A casual celebration of life will be held on Sunday, December 5th 2021 from 2-4pm at the Venetian Center, 1 Dozier Circle, Leesburg, FL 34748 352-728-9885

Informal open house immediately following at 2425 Boudreau Circle, The Villages, FL

Celebration of Life For Robert Kim (Bob) Orkis in Columbus, Ohio:
Sunday January 16th from 2:00pm to 4:00pm at

Jefferson Country Club

7271 Jefferson Meadows Dr. Blacklick, OH 43004-9811

Phone: (614) 759-7500

<https://www.jeffersoncountryclub.com/>

Immediately After the Celebration of life we are having an informal gathering
at

Flanagan's Pub

3001 Reynoldsburg- New Albany Rd, Blacklick, OH 43004

In honor of Bob's memory, donations can be made at www.AmericanWarriorInitiative.com with the notation "Donation in honor and memory of Bob Orkis"

Proceeds will go to a service dog for a Veteran in need.

American Warrior Initiative 104 East Texas St Leesville, LA 71446

Tribute Wall



“ *Beyers Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert Orkis*



May 11, 2022 at 07:17 PM



“ *Liebe Hannelore und Familie,
wir sind unsagbar traurig und geschockt über den Tod von Bob.
Unsere Gedanken sind bei dir in dieser schweren Zeit.
Unser innigstes Beileid entbieten Elfi mit Daniel und Ines*

Elfriede Strebinger - December 11, 2021 at 10:04 AM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. It is our prayer that God will comfort you
and our whole family during this sad time. May he bless you as you
mourn. We pray that Bob will receive God's heavenly reward.*

Steven Resch - December 08, 2021 at 08:43 PM

PR

“ We worked together for several years, but we're also good friends away from work. Our trip to India together was a great time. I will always be grateful for our time together.

I hope the great great memories of him will provide some peace and comfort for all that knew him and cared for him.

Patrick Ruckh - December 03, 2021 at 04:46 PM

JD

“ I met Bob on a recruiting trip to the University of South Carolina...our friendship grew into a brotherhood that included my brother our girlfriends who became our wives and our friends along life's journey. Throughout Life Bob was always the same: friendly intelligent thoughtful kind loyal and ready for a laugh...and a drink! We will miss him in so many ways

John & Jackie Dantonio - December 03, 2021 at 01:32 PM

MS

“ So sorry for your loss. Our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family.
Our deepest sympathy
Steve, Mary and Susie Karst

Mary Stephenson - December 02, 2021 at 12:55 PM

VC

“ I've known Bob for over 30 years. He was one of the best people I ever met and a great friend. His loss is a great sorrow and our loss for not having him around is greater. Condolences to Hannalore and the rest of his family. God Bless

Vince Credle - December 01, 2021 at 10:46 AM

TD

“ SO very sorry to hear about Bob. He was way too young to leave this earth. My deepest condolences to Hannelore and the entire Orkis family.

Therese Deptula - November 30, 2021 at 02:50 PM

LF

“ Bob, as you look down on us from Heaven you will now see how many people you touched in your life with the help of your lovely wife, Hannelore, and helped to make our lives more fulfilling. Clarissa and I feel very fortunate to be part of that group and we are heartbroken that you had to leave us so early. In life you meet many people but there are only a few who are the special friends you could always count on for support and help. Rest in Peace. Len & Clarissa.

Len & Clarissa Fruci - November 30, 2021 at 10:48 AM

CS

“ Truly a wonderful man and great friend. You will be missed by all those who knew you. I am proud to say you were my friend, but so sad we will not make more memories.

Cathleen A. Saporito - November 30, 2021 at 10:09 AM

KK

“ As a next door neighbor to Bob and Hannelore for nearly 20 years, it is hard to imagine Bob is gone. Truly a great man, husband, neighbor, friend and a fun person to be around. We are thankful for the many good times we had and are so saddened by the loss. We will keep Bob, Hannelore and family in our prayers and hope That as time goes on the sadness of the moment will fade and we can remember all the great times we had! Ken and Kim

Ken Kempker - November 29, 2021 at 08:25 PM

JG

“ I worked with Bob through several companies. He was always willing to listen to your side of the discussion. We shared a love for muscle cars, especially Corvettes. Blessings to the family. Jim

Jim Green - November 29, 2021 at 03:21 PM

BS

“ What can be said about a man that impacted so many lives as he was on his own journey. He was a humble man and he made time for so many. He was respected by so many, including myself. Hannelore and Bob introduced me to handing out margaritas on Halloween. How i needed that brief relief as I walked up to their door with my kids. Bob was special. I always smiled when I saw him or called him. He had that effect on me. With Hannelore, they were two peas in a pod. He will be sorely missed. My condolences Hannelore. Im here for you.

Bill Schoen - November 29, 2021 at 02:50 PM

MC

“ Hannelore,

We are all so shocked and saddened by Bob's sudden passing. He was a wonderful man. He was so welcoming when we moved to Southlake. I always enjoyed our poker games.

We will keep you and Bob in our thoughts.

Again, we are so sorry for your loss. Mike and Sue

Michael & Susan Colicchio - November 29, 2021 at 10:52 AM

RA

“ So sorry to hear about Bob.... He was a friend and mentor to me... Always willing to help, listen... Hannelore, please let me know if there is anything you need.. Randy Allen

Randy Allen - November 29, 2021 at 10:26 AM

BB

“ I along with many enjoyed the the gentle man and his lovely wife Who took the time to see me while living in Southlake TX. I admired him as a person, husband and businessman. He would be one to Look up to in all things good.

Brett Basnett - November 28, 2021 at 11:46 AM

TH

“ Words will not convey the deep sympathy we are sending to you and your family...praying for your strength and wishing you God's grace, peace, love and solace.
Our love,
Tom & Robin Hardwick

Tom & Robin Hardwick - November 27, 2021 at 10:33 PM

VC

“ I married into the family a few years ago to Bob's nephew, Brandon. I've always so enjoyed going to Uncle Bob and Hannelore's and was very excited when they moved closer to us in FL! It seems like a simple statement, but I've been consistently saying to Brandon before and after he passed, "I really like Uncle Bob." Simple but true. He reminded me of my dad in a lot of ways, and his presence always made me feel at home. He didn't say much, but in this quietness he carried a strength and kindness that would make anyone feel comfortable and cared for. I'm really sad I didn't get more time with him to build a deeper relationship, but am also really glad for the time I did to get to spend with him! He is already very missed.

Victoria Chaplain - November 27, 2021 at 04:35 PM

CP

“ So sorry to hear of Bob's passing. He was a great leader and a good man. He will be missed.

Cindy Portefield - November 27, 2021 at 03:17 PM

BL

“ Hannelore,
We were so shocked and saddened to hear of Bob passing when Marlene called us. Our hearts go out to you and your families at this difficult time. Know that we are thinking and praying for healing. We will always have fond memories of our times together in Raleigh.
Stay strong ❤️
With heartfelt sympathy,
Barbara & Gordon

Barbara & Gordon Leden - November 27, 2021 at 11:10 AM

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Barbara & Gordon Leden - November 27, 2021 at 11:05 AM

MK

“ *I can bearly take this in. We have lost a most beloved and irreplaceable member of our family. I hope he knew how much we all loved him! My heart goes out to all the Orkis' family. I am so very sorry.*

Marilyn Basnett Kettlewell - November 27, 2021 at 10:45 AM