



## Robert Henry Hancock

August 14, 2023

Robert Henry Hancock, age 83, passed away peacefully at Ajax/Pickering Hospital Monday, August 14, 2023. His loving wife Dorothy was by his side. Bob will be greatly missed by his son Rob Hancock, wife Berta, his daughter Melanie Heaney, partner Paul, granddaughter Kelly Fitzsimmons, husband Tyler, and recent great grandson Benjamin, his grand son Patrick Heaney and his adoptive grandkids, Brendon, Bobbie, Tony, and great-grand kids, Payton, Claire, Alexis and Noah.

Bob and Dorothy shared 58 wonderful years together. He was a loving husband and very caring father and grandfather. He will be missed by so many extended family and friends. A Celebration of his life will be held sometime later this year.

Bob was employed for over 30 years with the Scarb. Bd. of Education, as a caretaker, courier, truck and bus driver and worker in the garage repairing lawnmowers and snow blowers. Bob was a very friendly outgoing person, and knew and talked to just about everyone in his neighbourhood. He loved to dance; was always ready to liven things up with music and or a funny story. He enjoyed several years showing his classic car, a 55 Olds, at car cruises and outings to local car race tracks. In his younger years he was part of a pit crew that raced at the CNE Bob put his heart and soul into building up the cottage for his family to enjoy, all the while creating so many great memories at the lake. This is where he will be remembered always.

Bob/dad/papa, although we are heartbroken with the loss of you we take

comfort in knowing you have found peace in "50"s" heaven, and we will love you always and always.

Celebration of Life for Robert Hancock will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 258, 305 Morrish Rd., Scarborough, On. M1C 1E9 On Sunday October 1, 2023 from 1pm to 5pm Please RSVP by September 20, 2023 to dmhancock@rogers.com or phone 416i-284-6988

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

OCT 1. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 258  
305 Morrish Road  
Toronto, ON M1C 1E9 (CA)

# Tribute Wall

MT

“ Bob was a cheerful and friendly neighbour who was always happy to lend a helping hand. We really miss his calm, warm and caring presence which always lifted our spirits. There is a clear void now that Bob is no longer with us, but we are better for having known him and know that his spirit is still with his family. See you around Bob.

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**Marianne & Trevor** - August 26, 2023 at 07:08 PM

NJ

“ Bob all around neighbourhood nice guy who always had a smile a laugh and especially a story. This is a huge loss for our family. My tribute to you Bob when the sad time comes when we officially say goodbye. Loved by all and you will certainly be missed by many. You will always hold a special place in my and my families heart. Rest in peace Bob and rock on. Gone but you will never be forgotten. Thank you for making my sister a very happy women all those years and being a great Dad and Grandfather and Great-father along with being a brother-in-law and Uncle that can never be replaced. We love you and you will always remain in our hearts. Let your light shine now in the heavens above.

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**Nancy Janes** - August 23, 2023 at 09:11 PM

TC

“ Bob sure was loved by many and was such a great, fun, loving and kind guy.

*He was always lots of fun at the cottage and we always looked forward to seeing him and family.*

*He was very talented. Such a great carpenter and handyman! We always admired how well he took care of his cars. They were lucky to have him!*

*We will always be very grateful for his friendship, all the work, help, guidance, laughs, etc., etc. he gave us and our parents at the cottage and whenever we saw him. He will always have a place in our hearts and never forgotten.*

*We loved reading all the posts that were devoted to him and all the fantastic pictures – what good memories and fun. It's wonderful to know that the things he did for us he also did for others .... such a kind human being. Like his antique car, he had a lot of Class!!*

*Carol and Trevor*

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**Trevor & Carol** - August 22, 2023 at 02:56 PM

JJ

“ Bob was kind and gentle soul who loved his family and friends. He was an amazing brother-in-law and I am so grateful that he was a part of my life for so long. Whether we got together for dinner, a weekend at the cottage, a game of cards or off to a dance, it was always a good time. When Reuben and Ryan came along, you could always find Bob playing with the boys. I have such fond memories of the weekends that Dor, Bob, Wif and I were able to get away without the kids and treated ourselves to a couple of days at some Ontario resorts. I will always remember those “red snappers”. Bob – you will be missed! xo

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**Jen Janes** - August 20, 2023 at 06:33 PM

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Jen Janes - August 20, 2023 at 05:44 PM

JB

“ I have so many memories of my Uncle Bob starting from my childhood. There were lots from my grandparents' cottages as well as the cottage that him and Aunt Dorothy owned - snowmobiling (and being towed in the 'caboose'), boat rides, fishing, playing cards, etc.

I was honoured to have him drive myself and my husband Don in Uncle Beau's 1950 Cadillac at our wedding-and him giving us champagne to toast our new nuptials.

He was a fun-loving uncle who always enjoyed spending time with the kids in the family - getting down on his hands and knees to play games with the younger ones. He also enjoyed conversations with Don, and anyone else who was interested, about classic cars as that was one of his many interests.

One of my favourite memories is a more recent one. A few years ago I had a particularly injury-prone year. That Christmas, his son and daughter-in-law brought bubble-wrap to one of the parties to wrap me up in and Uncle Bob helped. Oh, the laughs and giggles we had then!!! It's hard to remember a time when Uncle Bob wasn't smiling, laughing, or telling a joke or story.

Uncle Bob, you were a wonderful uncle to myself, Don and our girls, Katelyn & Alisha. We were lucky to have you in our lives. We will forever love you and miss you. Rest In Peace Uncle Bob ❤️

Jenn Bunting - August 19, 2023 at 10:28 PM

GO

“ Gwen & John Ostlund

*a day ago*

*OMG how do you reflect on over 60 years of friendship. From your always being there to help in garage business, working with/on the race cars to getting married the week before us in 1964. Our crazy trip to New York City for world's fair when we had no money & your favourite saying "it's OK just give them a buck a month". The time when you won your 61 pontiac & actually installed a record player in it. We were all so excited ( and a little jealous). Didn't see as much of you and Dor in later years as we were all busy with our kids, grandkids, cottage & trailer life and us being gone 6 mo year to Florida but always kept in touch by phone & always tried to get together when we were home for Christmas holidays.*

*Our sincere condolences go out to your immediate & extended families. We will miss you dear friend*

*Gwen & John*



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**Gwen & John Ostlund** - August 19, 2023 at 10:01 PM

KG

“ Uncle Bob. What else can be said that hasn't already been said. Such a very kind, lovable man that was always there with love support and a smile. He loved being around kids and was always down on their level playing and interacting with them. A big kid himself finding joy with everything he did. I don't think I could find a memory of him without a smile. One of my best memories was the time Aunt Dorothy and Uncle Bob were looking after us when my sister and I were young. I was probably around 8. We spent the time building a push behind go kart out of wood, some old wheels, plastic coffee tin lids for headlights and tail lights complete with nylon rope for steering. We had so much fun with that kart. :)  
Such a sad loss but a great gain in every life he touched. We are all so lucky to have had you in our lives. Rest in peace Uncle Bob.

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Kevin Greer - August 19, 2023 at 08:53 PM

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“ I could not have imagined growing up without my Uncle Bob. For me he stepped in where I needed a father figure. Teaching me to ride a bike or skating (that one didn't take as well) fishing or just watching him build things. Snowmobiling , card games, boat rides, bon fires, cottage and cabin. Letting us ride in the bed of the pick up. Trying to “get our stomachs” on the backroad hills up north. You were loved by many. Me included. I'll never eat “blueberry cake” without thinking of you. Rest in peace Uncle Bob ❤️



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Tracey - August 19, 2023 at 01:09 PM

RJ

“ Uncle Bob was always the uncle that had time to play with my brother and I when we were young kids. Whenever we got together with the family or for visits, he would always get down on his knees to play trucks or battleship. As we got a little older, he would make genuine inquiries to what was going on in our lives. I will say my favorite memory of my Uncle Bob though, was when I was about 14 or 15 years old in the garage at Uncle Beaus. He told the story to a shop full of guys about passing a kidney stone. The intense “language” and detail that was required to describe the pain made my jaw drop. Until that time, I’d never heard anything close to a curse word from him because he was a gentleman and was raised to be respectful in the presence of women and children. Love and miss you Uncle Bob. Ryan Janes.

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**Ryan Janes** - August 18, 2023 at 08:58 PM

SU

“ Bob, you were one in a million. I have so many wonderful memories of you.  
You always had a smile on your face and you gave the best hugs!!  
You were my second Dad. I loved evenings around the fire with the family listening to all your stories  
Listening to your twangy swamp music and rolling my eyes!!  
Dancing with you. Hanging out in the garage. Watching Nascar.  
You will always have a special place in my heart.  
RIP Buckwheat.  
My sincerest condolences to the family.

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**Sue** - August 18, 2023 at 08:54 PM

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**Sue** - August 18, 2023 at 08:24 PM

GG

“ *Bob: So many years, so many laughs, so many memories. I don't know where to start. I do know that I always loved you from the time Dorothy brought you home to meet the family. You had the patience of Job( as my mom would say) to put up with us all. So glad you did! I remember when you won your '62 Pontiac. How proud you were! I also remember the day you and Dorothy got married. You were very handsome. The dances we went to, the fun we had, will always be fond memories for me. I will miss you forever and will remember you for always. Rest In Peace Bob. Love Geri.*

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**Geri Greer** - August 17, 2023 at 10:36 PM

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*Gwen & John*

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**Gwen & John Ostlund** - August 18, 2023 at 02:10 PM

DY

*Our sincere condolences to Dorothy & all the Family.*

*Our first memory of Bob starts at the Scarborough Board of Education.*

*He was always a great guy & we kept in touch at times since our retirement. More recently, we sometimes got together at the Uxbridge 'old car' show on Thursday nights in the summers.*

*We miss seeing him & also his friendly telephone calls from time to time.*

*Thinking of you all.*

*Doug & Doris Youmans*

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**Doris Youmand** - August 18, 2023 at 08:20 PM

TM

“ *When we moved next door Bob made us feel so welcome and we loved having him as a neighbour My oldest son watched him many times in his garage. At one point he believed he was Bob the builder character as he was always fixing up something in there We were so lucky so lucky to have great neighbour's. Truly missed by Bruce, Tammy, Logan and Owen*

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**Tamara Muir** - August 17, 2023 at 09:52 PM

JG

“ Although Bob was 6 years older than me, I met him at Kitchener Park (1954) as we both from the same neighbourhood. Bob and his buddies were skating with some girls on the one rink, and myself and my friends were playing hockey on the other rink. I was at Bob and Dorothy's wedding in August 1964 and then became his brother-in law, four years later. I will treasure all the memories we had forever (snowmobiling, help building our father-in laws cottage, dances and the family re-unions). Rest in peace Bob. Jim Greer

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**Jim Greer** - August 17, 2023 at 09:36 PM

ES

*I will always remember Bob as a fun loving, kind and gentle man, the fun times at our yearly reunions, him playing with the youngsters on the floor and helping anyone who needed help. A loving father, husband and a true gentleman, he will b missed❤️*

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**evelyn shobridge** - August 18, 2023 at 06:10 PM

BE

“ Dad at Peterborough Speedway - where loved to be!



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**Berta** - August 17, 2023 at 08:06 PM