



Robert Matthew Krupka Jr.

November 27, 1959 - May 12, 2006

Robert Matthew Krupka Jr., age 46, was called to the Lord on Friday, May 12, 2006. He was at home with his family. He died of Multiple Myeloma, complicated by Plasma Cell Leukemia.

Robert was born November 27, 1959 in Syracuse, New York, the son of Robert M. Krupka and Marianne Bowman Krupka. Robert was a graduate of Bishop Ludden High School, Onondaga Community College and Rochester Institute of Technology. He earned his Bachelor of Science in Electro-Mechanical Engineering. For 23 years he was employed at Phillips Broadband Network. He was also employed by C & S and most recently at Lockheed Martin.

Bob was an avid golfer with past memberships at Pompey, Tanner Valley and Cortland Country Clubs. He was a coach and administrator of Valley Lacrosse. He was a lifelong communicant of Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Bob was predeceased by his father, Robert M. Krupka, Sr..

Bob is survived by his wife, Linda Owens Krupka; his sons, Robert Matthew Krupka III, Dean Francis Krupka and Eli Jeffrey Krupka; his mother, Marianne Krupka; his sisters, Karen (David) Post, Patricia Lane, Ellen (Steven) Stottlar, Susan (James) Murphy, Margaret (Roberto) Frias, Beth (William) Kinne, Lisa

(James) DeOrdio; his brother, John Krupka; several aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Services: Tuesday, May 16, 2006, 10:00 a.m. in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 300 Valley Drive, Syracuse, New York.

Burial: Onondaga Valley Cemetery, 2500 Valley Drive, Syracuse, New York.

Calling Hours: Monday, May 15, 2006, 2:00 - 4:00 and 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home, 2584 Field Lane, LaFayette, New York.

Contributions: The Krupka Children's Education Fund, PO Box 172, Syracuse, New York 13215.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert Matthew Krupka Jr.*



Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home - May 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ *Linda & Family, I'm so sorry for your loss. Bob was one of the nicest people I have ever met. He was always incredibly professional and was a pleasure to be around. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

July 17, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ *We were saddened to learn of the passing of your husband, son and brother, Robert. We were consumed with the illness of our mother at the time of his calling. We share in your sadness and realize that it is only faith in God and heaven that will health our wounds. May God help us with each tear that falls. Much love, Duckie Kathleen McGinn Hammer*

June 18, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ *I will always miss my dear friend and playing partner. May God Bless his lovely wife and their three boys.*

June 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Being older and living away from Syracuse, I didn't spend as much time with Bob as I would have liked to, but I still miss him very much. I especially remember the card games that brought out his competitive streak and drove his sisters crazy. It was fun, even if it was irritating that he was so good at it. But he was good at many things and he encouraged his sons to be their best as well. I remember how quickly Matt and Dean became advanced card players, and super students and great athletes under his tutelage. I also remember his constant, genuine pride in the boys. I am amazed at his courage in facing his illness and I clearly recall that his greatest concern, when he understood the seriousness of the illness, was for his three children. I am sad that Eli will not know him in the same way that Matt and Dean were able to, but I know Matt and Dean will still experience great loss. We have to remember that his spirit will remain with all of us if we pay attention to it. I am also amazed at Linda's courage and strength over the last year. I know that Bob had complete faith in her and in all of the people willing to help his family. The words that come to my mind, when I think of Bob, are: ""Be not afraid - I am with you always. Come follow me and I will give you peace."" Bob accepted God's will and was grateful for the time he had in this life, He was a really good guy, am I am glad that his suffering is over.

May 24, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Linda and boys, I'm very sorry for your loss. I enjoyed working with Bob. He was a great boss and team player when I needed help. He was an All American kind of guy. He is one of those people that will be greatly missed. You are in my prayers. Danita

May 23, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ My uncle is a person who will stay in my and the rest of my family's hearts forever. I don't live close to where he did but I visited the area plenty enough times to have had the fortune of knowing him well. We'll never forget you

May 20, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ My prayers go out to Bob's family. I worked with him at Philips in R&R when he was the manager, I would have to say it was my pleaser to know him he was a fare and kind man and will be greatly missed by all.

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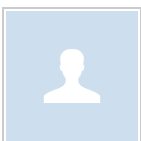
“ A Song for My Brother: Here Comes The Sun (George Harrison)... Little darling, it's been a long, cold, lonely winter. Little darling it seems like years since it's been here. Here comes the sun. Here comes the sun, and I say, it's alright...

May 17, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Linda & Family I am so sorry to hear of Bob's passing , my thoughts and prayers are with you and yours. Bob and yourself touched all our lives at Magnavox/Philips/C-Cor over the years and I am truly thankful that I was able to have you both as co-worker/boss and friend

May 17, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ sorry about your lost your thoughts are in are prayers.

May 16, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Linda, I am so sorry for your loss. Bob was a wonderful person. I enjoyed working with him at both Philips and Lockheed. My heart and thoughts are with you, your children, and Bob's family. With love, Stacey

May 16, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Peggy, we just wanted to let you know how much you are being kept in our thought and prayers. Thanks for sharing memories of your brother with us at HVE. We are thinking of you all. HVE Staff

May 15, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ My prayers go out to your young family that you all have the strength to heal from this tragic loss.

May 15, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Ellen, the journey we all must take and go it alone it's so sad that it happened to one so young. When you are lonely and sick of heart go to the friends we know

May 15, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Now that you are in heaven there is no more pain or suffering. May you rest in peace. We met you once at a support meeting. We will continue to pray for your family.

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“ Bobby: I know that you are now in Heaven and at your Peace. I have been a neighbor of your family for 55 years and remember you growing up. And you were a great kid. With affection & love, Ed

May 14, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Linda, My heart goes out to you and the kids. I'll keep you all in my prayers.

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“ You are all in our prayers.

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“ Linda and family, My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. I'll always remember what a genuinely wonderful man Bob was. Laurie Caraher (colleague at PBN)

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“ Matthew 5:14 14" You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven. A righteous man, who had a pure heart, and a light that shined for everyone to see. He will be missed. Rodney

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“ Bob was a great Mentor and Leader. I appreciated his patience and kindness while working with him at Phillips.

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“ A note to express my deepest sympathy to Linda and all of the Krupka family. I only knew Bob a short while at Phillips but grew to like him very quickly. His self-assured and quiet nature set him apart from the others. He was obviously a man who touched many and will be missed by many.

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“ I had the pleasure of working with both Bob & Linda while at Philips Broadband Networks. The great love and respect they shared together, and with their sons, was visibly evident to those whose lives they touched. Professionally Bob was truly a "go to" guy. Efficient, knowledgeable and usually extremely busy, Bob was always willing to take a moment and share that knowledge or help out in some way. Personally it was his kind demeanor and good nature I always admired. He showed great compassion during a very difficult period in my life and took the time to share his memories of Tim with the Badger family after his passing. We were blessed to know Bob, if only for a moment. Linda, you and the boys, and your families are in my thoughts and prayers. May faith sustain you and love surround you all the days of your life. God Bless.

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“ I worked for Bob at Philips for several years...Bob was a great person who will be missed very much. My heart goes out to the family.

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“ I met Bob on my very first day at work at Magnavox back in 1984. I came in at 9:00, and he immediately called me into his office; apparently I was supposed to start work at 7. Being brand new, I felt that my chances of making a good impression with him just went up in smoke, and it would take a long time for me to gain his confidence and respect. That was far from the case, he just seemed to push the incident aside, and did not allow my initial tardiness to effect his introduction of me into the company. That gave me the opportunity to concentrate on my new job and not have to worry about being fired right off the bat. Because of Bob, I stayed with the company for 18 years. Over the years at Philips, I heard people describe Bob as distant, or that he had no sense of humor. I knew a different man. Bob was private, but he was a man who was always willing to lend a helping hand. He was a man who enjoyed a good joke, and had a dry, cutting sense of humor that I had many occasions to enjoy. Every time that someone left Philips, the one thing that everyone seemed to miss was the people. There were a lot good group of people assembled there, and I have always included Bob in that category. God Bless Bob, Linda, and their family.

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“ I'm very sorry to hear of Bob's passing. He was not only a co-worker, but a friend. He made the world a better place and will be missed.

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“ My thoughts and prayers are with Robert's family. I work with his sister Karen Post and have followed his battle. May God grant peace to his wife and children as well as his mother and the rest of his family.

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“ I am so sorry to hear of Bob's passing. Bob interviewed and hired me at Philips back in 1988. I was a long haired, young kid who was looking for an opportunity to prove himself. Bob was instrumental in helping me grow professionally. His dry wit, understanding and kind nature made him a unique and very positive influence in my life. My heart goes out to his family during this very difficult time.

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“ Karen, David and the Krupka family: My thoughts and prayers are with you. Having recently lost a sister, also at a much too young age, I fully understand your grief. It is my hope that you can take comfort in knowing that Robert is now relieved of any suffering and where we all want to ultimately be. efo

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“ My most recent memories of Bobby are from those Krupka family reunions - laughing and surrounded by family! Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. We are saddened by your incredible loss. PS: That must be one heck of an elevated green to chip to - Bob, give your old man a break and spot him a stroke or two!

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“ I met Bob while I was a tester at Philips. He was always a professional and especially a gentlemen. He was always willing to take time to explain any questions about why something was happening. He was a private person but he also was ready and willing to help in any way he could . Bob Linda and I watched each others families grow. My grandchildren and their boys. I will always cherish the years we worked together. The help I received from Bob and Linda as I worked my way through the Philip's years was what made the journey easier and very special. My prayers are with the family

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“ Dear Family, I am very sorry that I am not able to be there for everyone. Bobby was a great uncle and I will always remember him and his love for his family. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Love Sarah

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“ I'm so sorry for your loss, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family

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“ Marianne and Beth & Family, My thoughts and prayers are with you, sorry for your loss. Love, Mary

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“ Matt & Dean, Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Mr. & Mrs. James

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“ My first thought when hearing about Bobby`s passing was to think of Whitie waiting with open arms...and then seein` them both on a heavenly golf course doin` what they loved to do while here on earth!

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“ Just want you to know you are in my thoughts and prayers.

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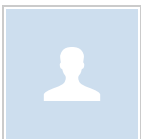
“ Our fondest memories are the time that Linda and Bob snuck away to get married and we all found out and surprised them. We also remeber our golf times together . Bob was a great father and son-in law. You will be greatly missed! Love Pat & Chuck

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“ I am so sorry for your loss of Bob. I worked with him at Phillips and he was a wonderful person. My prayers go out to all of his family.

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“ *Bob was not only my brother-in law, but he was one of the kindest people I have ever met. He will be greatly missed by all that knew him. Christine & Family*

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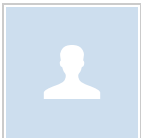
“ *Linda, Boys, & Family: Dede and I are so very sorry, and apologize for not keeping in touch over the last few years. As always, we are here if you ever need us for anything. Our prayers and thoughts are with you.*

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“ *When I look back at my career at Philips, I would have to say without a doubt that Bob was the most positive influence in my professional career. His confidence and belief in my abilities did a great deal to give me the courage to take on responsibilities that I would not even have considered facing without his support. His presence in my life made a difference. He will be missed.*

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“ *We were so saddened to have read about Bob's death. We count ourselves as fortunate that we were able to meet all of you and Bob at the Myeloma meetings. It was very evident how much Bob was loved and supported through this horrible disease. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

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