



## Robert L. "Bob" Kampwerth

June 6, 1935 - December 14, 2024

Robert "Bob" L. Kampwerth, age 89, of Highland, passed away on December 14, 2024 surrounded by his loving family. He was born June 6, 1935, in Highland, IL, the son of John and Clara Kampwerth, (nee Schumacher) of St. Rose.

Bob is survived by his devoted wife of 62 years, Darlene Kampwerth (nee Kuhl); his cherished children, Cathy (Russ) Hallemann, Mike Kampwerth (friend, Bridgette), Sharon (Dale) Renken, Debbie (Steve) Schultz and Carol (Tim) Seiler. Grandchildren, Bryanna (Ross) Cloninger, Dillon (Andi) Hallemann, Hayley Taylor, Mikayla (Scott) Pillow, Lexi Taylor, Megan Hallemann, Claire Schultz, Kirsten Taylor, Abby Schultz, Alex Schultz, Larissa Taylor, Reygan Taylor and Liam Seiler and his precious great-grandchildren Elsie and Lindy. Special family friends Courtney Ethridge, Travis Eilers and Tom Voss also held a meaningful place in Bob's life. A brother, James (Dorothy) Kampwerth, a sister, Marietta Winkeler, sister in-laws, Anna Jean Kampwerth, Mary Kampwerth, Rita (Jim) Sullivan and Betty Harder.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Clara Kampwerth and his granddaughter, Olivia Schultz who holds a special place in the family's hearts; brothers Alfred, Andrew, Bruno, Jerome, Gerald, John and Ralph Kampwerth, sisters Mary Haar and Geraldine Kampwerth and nephews.

Bob lived a life deeply rooted in faith, family, farming and community. A lifelong farmer, he took great pride in working the land and sharing his love of agriculture with his children and grandchildren. His farm was not just a place of work but a gathering spot for family, filled with laughter, stories, and his ever present sense of humor. Known for his quick wit and playful spirit, Bob was a jokester who never missed an opportunity to bring a smile to someone's face.

A natural problem-solver, Bob was the first to lend a helping hand to anyone in need. Whether it was fixing equipment, offering advice, or simply sharing his time, he cared deeply for those around him. He knew everyone in town and could strike up a conversation with anyone, often leaving them with a lasting impression and more, often than not, a story to tell.

Bob loved driving his pickup truck to the farm, playing cards with friends, and watching baseball. He was an avid supporter of his children's sports, rarely missing a game and cheering proudly from the sidelines. His legacy of love, hard work, and humor will live on through the countless lives he touched.

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Visitation will be held from 3:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Wednesday, December 18, 2024, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL and from 8:00 AM to 9:30 AM on Thursday, December 19, 2024, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 AM on Thursday, December 19, 2024, at St. Paul Catholic Church in Highland, IL, with Rev. Fr. Pat G. Jakel, Pastor, officiating.

Bob will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him, but his memory will

continue to bring warmth and laughter to those who carry him in their hearts.

# Cemetery Details

## Saint Joseph Catholic Cemetery

Michael Road  
Highland, IL 62249

# Previous Events

## Evening Visitation

DEC 18. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home - Highland  
1501 9th Street  
P.O. Box 187  
Highland, IL 62249  
(618) 654-2133  
info@spengel-boulanger.com

## Morning Visitation

DEC 19. 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM (CT)

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## Funeral Mass

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DEC **19**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St Paul Catholic Church  
1411 Main St  
Highland, IL 62249  
(618) 654-2339

# Tribute Wall

RR

“ *Rita Rinderer lit a candle in memory of Robert Kampwerth*



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**Rita Rinderer** - December 26, 2024 at 10:49 PM

TK

“ *Death is a door opening to a new life.  
I am at peace with the grieving process.  
I am at peace with my loved one's passing.  
I allow myself the time I need to work through my grief.  
Our spirit can never be taken from us,  
for it is the part of us that is eternal.  
Death is a natural part of life.  
Everyone dies within the perfect time-space sequence.  
I know that no matter where I am, I am safe  
and loved and totally supported by life.  
Our spirit, our soul, is is always safe,  
always secure, and always alive.  
I let the light of my love shine so  
that it comforts me and others.  
There is no death only a change of form.  
(Excerpt from the book: Trust Life by Louise Hay)*

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**Timothy S. Korte** - December 22, 2024 at 06:47 PM

BS

“ *Sending sincere sympathy to Darlene & her family. God Bless you all 🙏🙏*

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**Beckie & Bob Schrupf** - December 19, 2024 at 10:21 PM

RB

“ Cathy, I am so sorry to read about the passing of your dad. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Rita Brandt

Rita Brandt - December 18, 2024 at 07:33 PM

YF

“ Your Tigers Baseball Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert L. "Bob" Kampwerth.

Your Tigers Baseball Family - December 18, 2024 at 09:41 AM

YF

“ Your Tigers Baseball Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Robert L. "Bob" Kampwerth.



Your Tigers Baseball Family - December 18, 2024 at 09:41 AM

TF

“ The Lemmon and Gaines families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert L. "Bob" Kampwerth.

The Lemmon and Gaines families - December 17, 2024 at 10:24 PM

TF

“ *The Lemmon and Gaines families purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Robert L. "Bob" Kampwerth.*



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**The Lemmon and Gaines families** - December 17, 2024 at 10:24 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert L. "Bob" Kampwerth.*



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December 17, 2024 at 05:38 PM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Robert L. "Bob" Kampwerth.*



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December 17, 2024 at 04:26 PM

AC

“ *Alhambra-Grantfork Communications planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert L. "Bob" Kampwerth.*

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**Alhambra-Grantfork Communications** - December 17, 2024 at 09:03 AM



“ *Alhambra-Grantfork Communications purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Robert L. "Bob" Kampwerth.*



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**Alhambra-Grantfork Communications** - December 17, 2024 at 09:03 AM



“ *White Poinsettia was purchased for the family of Robert L. "Bob" Kampwerth.*



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December 16, 2024 at 08:17 PM