



## Robert "Bob" Guiliani

July 30, 1945 - April 22, 2023

Robert "Bob" Guiliani, age 77 of Clare, passed away Saturday, April 22, 2023, at home with his wife Linda at his side after a long bout of Cancer. Bob was born the son of Bernard and Alice (Mish) Guiliani on July 30, 1945 in Norway, Michigan. He was a graduate of Norway High School, and received his Bachelors Degree in Chemistry from Michigan State University and his Masters Degree in Chemistry from Northern Michigan University. He was united in marriage to Linda Bentley in August of 1980. He had taught Physics and Chemistry at Byron High School for ten years. He moved to Clare in 1979 and purchased Guys and Dolls Photography in 1980. He and Linda worked together at the studio for the past 42 years plus; in the early years they had photographed eleven schools, he always enjoyed working with the kids and their enthusiasm. Bob was a member of the Lions Club, a Past President of the Clare Chamber of Commerce and the Photographer for the Clare Fire Department. He had been the Past President of the Northern Michigan Professional Photographers, MidMichigan Professional Photographers, and the State Professional Photographers. Bob was invited to join the Michigan Photographers Society; he had received many awards and was published many times for his photography. He was selected to receive a National Award for Professional Photography and had taught Photography at Mid Michigan College for 40 years. Bob was also a member of the Central Michigan Daylily Society for several years. Bob's love for photography allowed him to travel and experience nature through the lens of his camera. He enjoyed playing the

Accordion, the joys of gardening; but just being at home in the woods by the river was his greatest pleasure.

Bob is survived by his wife Linda; his sister Alice VanEyck and several nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews. He was predeceased by his parents, two sisters Joyce and Kay and a brother Roy.

A Celebration of Life visitation will be held at the Clare Chapel of Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home on Saturday, May 6, 2023 from 1 to 4 P.M. Memorial contributions are suggested to the Clare Fire Department, the Pere Marquette Rail Trail Completion of the Mid Michigan College Photography Department. On-line condolences may be left at [www.stephenson-wyman.com](http://www.stephenson-wyman.com)

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

MAY 6. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Stephenson - Wyman Funeral Home (Clare)

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# Tribute Wall

ST

“ Dear Linda, I just heard of Bob's passing through the Wolf's Eye. My deepest sympathy to you. Love, Sharon T.

Sharon Turovaara - June 12, 2023 at 01:06 PM

FR

“ Bob was a great asset to Clare, and to Central Michigan. He will be missed, not only for his teaching and photography, but just for being him.

Frank Rowley - May 03, 2023 at 11:26 AM

AS

“ From one Clare photographer to another, I am saddened to hear of the loss of such a true light in the photography world. My deepest condolences go out to Bob's family during this difficult time.

Amanda Steffke - May 02, 2023 at 11:14 AM

RV

“ Certainly saddened by Bob's passing. He was a most enjoyable friend, a wonderful Mid colleague - and of course a fellow unabashed “Uper”. He provided the definition of a totally positive person marveling at life's many wonders. A person of astounding talents, endless enthusiasm and tireless energy he will be missed by his students, the College, our community and his many friends. Linda, our heartfelt condolences,  
Ron and Peg Verch

Ron Verch - April 28, 2023 at 01:30 PM

CL

“ I had Mr G for chemistry and physics in '70 and '71. He and Donna Hardenburg were the best teachers in the school. He connected with us, and was always a supporter. Great guy

Christopher Lichty  
Byron class of '71

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Christopher j Lichty - April 27, 2023 at 05:33 PM



“ I'll never forget how friendly and fun Bob was. Always a positive person and a wonderful friend. I'll miss him dearly. My deepest condolences to Linda and Bob's family.

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Monica Rouech - April 27, 2023 at 10:49 AM



“ My condolences go out to his family. He was my photography teacher at Byron High School and introduced me to developing black and white. There it was just a small closet but I learned so much. Rest in peace Mr. G. You are remembered fondly.

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Compassrosestudios Grunow - April 27, 2023 at 08:52 AM

TS

Had him for Photography at MMCC. Great teacher and always enthusiastic and passionate about Photography! Also did my senior pictures. Best Photographer, will be missed very much. Thoughts and prayers to his wife 🙏

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Teresa Sexton - April 27, 2023 at 06:14 PM

KT

“ I am so sorry to hear of Mr. G’s passing. I was one of his students— physics & chemistry, and I was on the yearbook staff during his tenure at Byron High. He certainly made the classes interesting and fun.

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**Kathy Orr Thornhill** - April 26, 2023 at 09:20 PM

LW

“ Linda, so sorry to hear about Bob’s passing. He left such a legacy with all of his beautiful photographs and I’m fortunate enough to have some of those in my home with all the portraits he did of my kids through the years. I also enjoyed the photography classes I took with him as instructor. He was so kind, patient and enthusiastic. You and Bob were such a great team. My heart goes out to you. He will be missed by so many, including me.

*Linda Warner*

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**Linda Warner** - April 26, 2023 at 07:35 PM

RM

“ My condolences to Linda and family. Bob was a real gem, Bob did our daughters graduation pictures and we received lot’s of compliments on Bob’s work. RIP

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**Ronald Mitchell** - April 26, 2023 at 03:11 PM

JO

*My prayers are with you through out this difficult time. Bob was my very close friend for over 50 years. We shared lots of laughs and memories together that I will never forget. I will always be grateful to have had him in my life.*

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**Judy owens** - April 27, 2023 at 07:48 AM

AC

“ *Sending condolences Linda and family. Bob was special and I can't think of a wedding, sports season, or family photo that he wasn't a part of.*

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**Andy Cashin** - April 26, 2023 at 06:19 AM

JC

*True. We started with the two of you 42 years ago. Heartfelt sympathy to you, Linda! Great memories and beautiful photographs!*

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**Joan Cashin** - April 26, 2023 at 05:53 PM



“ *Bob did my senior pictures. I also remember doing pictures of my daughter and niece with live rabbits around Easter time a couple years in a row.*

*Bob was such a great photographer or community lost a great person who will be deeply missed. The pictures he took of our community things that went on will be always on some of our minds.*

*So sorry for your loss Linda and family.  
RIP Bob*

*So sorry Linda for your loss.*

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**Scott Giles** - April 26, 2023 at 02:45 AM

AW

“ Bob Guilliani has been my sports photographer since my days as an athlete in school sports. He continued to take my team pictures throughout my coaching career, capturing many special moments for me. I would often see Bob at sporting events in Gladwin, Fulton, and back in Gladwin, and we would chat about our sports teams. Recently, when I attended a training class on drones at mid-Michigan college for a broadcasting program, Bob was the instructor and shared many great ideas with us. True to his kind nature, he later sent me a letter with a picture of myself and a few students I brought to the class. As the fall approaches, it will feel strange having someone other than Bob take my team pictures.

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**Anthony Wetmore** - April 25, 2023 at 06:30 PM

HH

“ Bob was my photography professor at Mid. He was such a light to be around and always so positive and excited to show us new material. We had no idea he had been battling cancer as he never complained and was always upbeat working with us. What a huge loss for not only Mid, but everyone who knew him.

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**Heather Houtman** - April 25, 2023 at 04:21 PM

MD

“ I am very sad to see this. Bob was such a nice guy - he was the photographer for Coleman Schools sports and always very nice to work with. RIP Bob.

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**Micki Denoyer** - April 25, 2023 at 01:37 PM

LF

“ So sad to hear of Bob's passing. I was working for Guys and Dolls Photography when Bob took over the business. I continued doing art work, calligraphy, dark room, matt cutting and sporting events for school yearbooks for Bob and Linda for many years. To be the first one to see so many beautiful images he captured over the years was special.

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**Linda Fitzpatrick** - April 25, 2023 at 12:26 AM

JS

“ One of the most gregarious and positive persons I have ever known. Certainly one of the "good" ones who will be remembered.

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**Jim Smith** - April 24, 2023 at 09:07 PM

FW

“ Bob was the best photographer around. He and Linda worked so well together. They did my daughter's wedding and the photos were the best. I remember him well with the Clare Irish Festival those many years.

*Linda, my heart goes out to you. I send my prayers and love.*  
*Fran Wellman*

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**Frances Wellman** - April 24, 2023 at 05:34 PM



“ Bob was a great teacher and good friend. He quickly befriended me after I was hired my Mid nearly 20 years ago. In his 40 years at Mid he literally taught generations of Mid students photography. Everybody knew Bob. Everybody loved Bob.

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**Brad Olrich-Illustrator** - April 24, 2023 at 04:53 PM

MS

“ *A kind, wonderful instructor with a wealth of knowledge! I always looked forward to him stopping by our office! His presence at the college will be greatly missed! Mid Michigan College has lost one of its absolute best.*

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**Mike Schram** - April 24, 2023 at 03:38 PM

TM

“ Bob and Linda took me on the photo-shoot trip of a lifetime in late September of 2003 to the Grand Canyon. We spent five days and four nights together in one of the most majestic settings in the world.

Before daylight on the third morning, Bob was already setting up his tripod cameras. He had timed the trip and our location for the capturing of a celestial event, something he seemed a genius at always anticipating and planning for. He was blessed that morning with a light blue sky. As the sun rose in the east over the Clear Creek Trail, a large full moon was descending but still high above the trail to the west. Bob waited for the precise moment when the angle of the sun above the horizon was matched by that of the moon over the west trailhead. And then, he was like a little kid in a candy shop, laughing with delight (that giddy laugh) as he took shot after shot with wide-angle lenses. The photo he finally selected for reproduction is something that has been viewed all over the world, like so many other photos he captured of nature at its most glorious moments. Needless to say, Bob's perspective about life and the photo legacy that displays it all, lives on for a very long time into the future. Possibly, it is a contribution to the world that has the potential of being eternal.

Dawn and I send our condolences to Linda for her loss. Bob was a good husband and a good friend to hundreds of people. We will miss him very much.

Tom Moline  
Royal Oak, MI

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Thomas L Moline - April 24, 2023 at 02:40 PM

DA

“ Bob was a wonderful teacher, and beloved by his students and colleagues. he will be greatly missed by all of us at Mid Michigan College.

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**Dr. Stevens Amidon** - April 24, 2023 at 01:32 PM

AW

“ The world became a better place when Bob was born. He had such a good heart and he shared it with everyone. That is above and beyond his talent as a photographer. There is now a hole in my heart that will take a long time to heal. There should be more people like him.

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**Alan West** - April 24, 2023 at 11:32 AM

DH

“ Thank you Bob for all you did for Clare Schools, the community of Clare and the surrounding area and all of the state of Michigan. Enjoy the "summer days in the UP" forever.

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**Doug Haggart** - April 24, 2023 at 09:51 AM

SO

“ I am so very sorry for your loss, Bob was a great man and he will be missed.

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**Sean O'Brien** - April 24, 2023 at 09:49 AM

MB

“ So very sorry for your loss Linda. Bob sure had a way of making a person feel special. He will be missed by many.

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**Michelle Bromley** - April 24, 2023 at 08:48 AM

YK

“ I’m so sorry to hear this news. Bob was an incredible person, he always encouraged his students to see the best in their work and supported theatre at MMC. He was a community contributor through his photography and presence. Our communities will feel a hole without his smile, his wit, his yoooper accent slipping out occasionally and he would grin large as he was so proud of where he came from. God speed my friend and prayers of comfort for Linda and family. Bob will be missed and I’m sure he is snapping fantastic pics in glorious heaven.

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**Yvette Keast** - April 23, 2023 at 09:17 PM

KH

“ A Great Man. A Dear Friend. He brightened the day of everyone he met and captured forever the stories of our lives and the world around him thru his amazing abilities as a photographer.

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**Ken Hibi** - April 23, 2023 at 03:15 PM

KM

“ Bob was gifted with a smile that put others at ease; we were all blessed by that smile!

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**Kelly Morley** - April 23, 2023 at 03:00 PM

LP

“ Linda and family, we are so sorry to hear this news. Bob will be missed by many who knew him. What an exceptional human being. Thoughts and prayers go out to you and all your family.

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**Linda Purkis** - April 23, 2023 at 12:52 PM

LS

“ I am so sorry, Linda! Bob was such a nice man with great talent! I loved seeing you both take Prom pictures. You were an adorable couple!

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**Lori Schmidt** - April 23, 2023 at 12:41 PM

BC

“ A lifetime together is never enough. I am thinking of both of you with so much love.

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**Brian Clark** - April 23, 2023 at 09:05 AM

MS

“ Linda..Please accept my deepest condolences. I am so saddened by this news. I loved all the “kidding” that went on whenever Bob and Doc got together!

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**Mary Ann Shurlow** - April 23, 2023 at 07:52 AM

JM

“ Our hearts are broken for the loss of Bob. He was a true friend and a great community member.

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**Jeanie Mishler** - April 23, 2023 at 07:47 AM

BH

“ All of the sport pictures through the years, WOW. His photos from the top of the tower of the Mackinac Bridge, all of the classes Bob taught. This man will be sorely missed .

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**BRUCE HALES** - April 22, 2023 at 09:29 PM

JB

“ May his Memory be Eternal

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**John Bartz** - April 22, 2023 at 08:22 PM

PM

“ Recently have been going through old photos from our wedding to the kids high school graduations and everything in between. You and Bob were an amazing team. I was so sad to hear of Bob's passing today. I will always have such fondness thinking of his skill and kindness and saving for me so many of my memories. My thoughts and prayers for you during this difficult time.

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**Patrice Metzler** - April 22, 2023 at 07:55 PM

BB

I was saddened to learn of Bob's passing. He was one of a kind. He always had a smile and a kind words. His talent in photography, teaching and so much more touched so many lives. You are in our thoughts & prayers. ❤️🙏❤️

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**Bobbi Barassi** - April 23, 2023 at 03:26 PM

CA

I am so sorry to hear about Mr G. He was my science teacher in high school and he was one who truly cared how his students were learning and understanding what he taught. Great sense of humor and quite the prankster. A teacher who could be the class clown at times. I remember seeing him in fields taking photographs in early misty or icy mornings before he left teaching. I am friends with Janis and came to your house with her after you guys had moved to Clare in the middle of the night. Always thought of you guys when I drove by Clare. I am heartbroken for you Linda and everyone who knew and loved him and each of us that he touched our lives in some way. May God bless you and keep Bob in his arms until you are together again. Sending love and prayers 🙏🙏❤️❤️

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**Connie MacLean Abbott** - April 24, 2023 at 11:44 AM

BK

*My sincerest condolences to Linda and their family. Bob was an immensely talented person but more importantly, he unselfishly shared that talent with all of us: his family, friends, clients, colleagues, and students. He has left a void in the Mid Michigan College family that cannot be replaced, but his life will continue with us through his beautiful photography.*

Beck Knickmeier - April 24, 2023 at 03:56 PM

CB

“ *Bob will be fondly remembered by so many people whose lives he helped memorialize. He was a truly kind man. Loved his work and his commitment to the Clare community. Thinking of you Linda, during your time of grief.*

Chris & Bill Burns - April 22, 2023 at 07:42 PM

BM

“ *Beverley Mapes lit a candle in memory of Robert "Bob" Guiliani*



Beverley Mapes - April 22, 2023 at 07:37 PM

BM

*Sincere sympathy to Linda and family. Memories are the Legacy of Love. As the days go by, I am sure you will recall many.*

Beverley Mapes - April 22, 2023 at 07:40 PM

DE

“ *R.I.P Buddy.....Thinking of you Linda and family 🙏*

Dewey - April 22, 2023 at 07:16 PM

SM

“ Hugs and prayers Linda and family as you navigate this time of loss. Bob was a wonderful person who will be missed by this entire community.

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**Sue Murawski** - April 22, 2023 at 07:10 PM

SK

“ Linda, you and Bob have given so much to our community for so many years. We will all miss Bob's gentle, giving and supportive presence in our lives. You are in our hearts and prayers as you walk through this most difficult time. ❤️

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**Steven Kingsbury** - April 22, 2023 at 06:43 PM

MP

“ Linda and family  
May you find comfort and solace in your memories.... He was such a cornerstone of this community will be missed by many

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**Melanie Prevallet-Muir** - April 22, 2023 at 06:12 PM

JB

“ Dear Linda and family, Sam and I send our deepest condolences. Bob was one of a kind and truly captured the essence of Clare and beyond with his amazing talent.

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**Judy Brankel** - April 22, 2023 at 05:56 PM

JH

“ Linda, and all of the family. I am so sorry for your loss. We will all miss Bob. All my love - Jaynie

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**Jaynie Hoerauf** - April 22, 2023 at 05:49 PM



“ *Dear Linda and family. Norm and I are so very sorry to hear about Bob. Big hugs. His pictures have really told the stories of Clare and it's people throughout the years.*

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**Carol Gage** - April 22, 2023 at 05:20 PM