



Robert "Bob" James Crosby

August 19, 1957 - March 9, 2026

Robert "Bob" James Crosby, age 68, of Grand Island, passed away on Monday, March 9, 2026, at home surrounded by his loving family.

A celebration of life service will be held on Friday, March 13, 2026, at 1:30pm at All Faiths Funeral Home. The service will be livestreamed on the funeral home website. Memorials are suggested to the family for later designation. Condolences can be left at www.giallfaiths.com.

Bob was born on August 19, 1957, in Huron, SD. He was born to Nancy Wallingford and at six months old adopted by James and Doris (Nieland) Crosby. Bob was raised in South Dakota until he was 16 years old and the family moved to Hastings. In 1974 he enlisted in the United States Navy and served until he was honorably discharged in 1978. While in the Navy he was a fireman on the USS Kitty Hawk.

On December 14, 1985, he was united in marriage to Angie Chrisman. To this union a daughter, Summer and son, Tyson were born.

On January 1, 2011, he was united in marriage to Lori Opp, and he gained a stepdaughter, Brittney and stepson, Kyle.

Bob began his journey of sobriety on March 3, 1991, and was very proud to

have just celebrated 35 years.

Bob was a skilled bowler and had a true passion for the sport. He owned and operated his bowling pro shop for years as well as coaching. His pride and dedication could be seen in his work and the many hours he spent taking bowling training courses.

Bob enjoyed his world being loud whether it was attending concerts, blasting rock and roll or lighting the biggest fireworks on the 4th of July. He also liked playing his guitar, watching sprint car races and NASCAR. After retirement he found enjoyment in the quiet of nature, watching and feeding the birds and squirrels. His great pride and joy above all else was his family and the time he got to spend with them.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Lori Crosby of Grand Island; daughter, Summer (Gavan) Ericson of Axtell; son, Tyson (Megan) Crosby of Hastings and their children, Hayden, Madison and Jackson; stepdaughter, Brittney (Appol) Neeman of St. Libory and their children, Maverick and Asher; stepson, Kyle (Leslie) Neeman of Phillips and their children, Kayla, Leah and Kyler; brother, David Fitzgerald-Crosby; sister, Stacy (Mark) Staley; stepsisters, Lynn (Ron) Julianelle, Debbie (Skip) Heidler and Dee Bauer; parents in-law, John and Jan Camp and numerous other nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Bob was preceded in death by his father, James Crosby; mother, Doris Crosby Laird; stepfather, Bill Laird; birth mother, Nancy Wallingford; brother, Kelly Bettelyoun and parents in-law, Butch and Jan Opp.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAR 13. 1:30 PM (CT)

All Faiths Funeral Home
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Tribute Wall



“ *All Faiths Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Robert "Bob" James Crosby*



All Faiths Funeral Home - March 13 at 12:23 PM

TS

“ *Sorry for your loss. Bob was a good friend, haven't seen him in awhile. A remember taking him to a few meetings. He will be missed.*

Tom Stack

Tom Stack - March 13 at 11:42 PM

KY

“ Almost each and every day for nearly 20 years of my life and even more for Steve, Bob was one of our daily reasons to smile. He was loud, fun, fierce, real as anyone could ever be and he personified joy and living life to the fullest. What a blessing to have had him in our lives and that joy competes today with the sadness we feel as he takes his next steps of this journey we call life. Lori and family, please know how sorry we are and how loved you are by our family, and thank you for sharing him, and yourselves, with us. You are chosen family to us and we're always here for you.

Bob, we love you. Simply put, no flourishes. You were the best friend and brother Steve could ask for. Thank you for all the times you walked up those 12 steps together and you held his hand as he held yours. Thank you for always making me smile when you just knew I was crabby. Thank you for sharing your immediate family with us. Getting to know them has been a gift.

You, my darling man, were one of a kind. I'll be here listening to angels bowling when I hear thunder and always holding your spot in the place we call Dudeism. You are #allthethings.

Karrie Bowen Yevchak - March 13 at 03:32 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert "Bob" James Crosby.



March 12 at 06:57 PM

JG

“ Joe & Susan Geddes purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Robert "Bob" James Crosby.



Joe & Susan Geddes - March 12 at 07:40 AM

GW

“ Gina Michel, Ally Moseman, Kelsey Wolfe purchased the *Basket Full of Wishes* for the family of Robert "Bob" James Crosby.



Gina Michel, Ally Moseman, Kelsey Wolfe - March 11 at 05:53 PM

BH

“ Butch Hogan purchased the *Divine Peace Bouquet* for the family of Robert "Bob" James Crosby.



Butch Hogan - March 11 at 04:31 PM

AF

“ Aunt Judy, Rob, Tara & David and families purchased the *Serene Retreat* for the family of Robert "Bob" James Crosby.



Aunt Judy, Rob, Tara & David and families - March 11 at 01:38 PM

YF

“ Your friends at Caterpillar Financial planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert "Bob" James Crosby.

Your friends at Caterpillar Financial - March 11 at 10:24 AM

YF

“ Your friends at Caterpillar Financial purchased the Express Sympathy and Condolences "I Have You in My Heart" with Butterfly Wind Chime for the family of Robert "Bob" James Crosby.



Your friends at Caterpillar Financial - March 11 at 10:24 AM

BP

“ Remember going to the bowling alley and always being greeted by Bob with a big smile. Rest easy my friend

Breeanna pratt - March 11 at 10:07 AM

BR

“ Bob was a good friend. He was such a role model to our boys (Colton & Gage) when it came to bowling, especially Colton. Bob jumped at the chance to be Colton's partner in many tournaments throughout Nebraska. They were such jokesters when together. Bob will be greatly missed. -The Rhodes



Brandy - March 11 at 12:08 AM

TQ

“ *Bob was such a wonderful man with a great sense of humor. He will be missed! I'm so sorry for your loss!* ”

Tiffany Quicke - March 10 at 09:04 PM

KM

“ *Krysty & Eric Mercier purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Robert "Bob" James Crosby.* ”



Krysty & Eric Mercier - March 10 at 06:23 PM

VA

“ *Victoria A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert "Bob" James Crosby.* ”

Victoria A. - March 10 at 05:15 PM