



Robert "RL" Lee Koontz

May 11, 1941 - September 1, 2020

Robert "RL" Lee Koontz 79, of Sarasota, FL. passed away on September 1, 2020 surrounded by his family. RL was born May 11, 1941 and formerly from Somerset, PA.

RL resided in Sarasota for the last 47 years and was a successful residential contractor for 62 years. He was a proud veteran having served a tour in the Army. He had a passion for drag racing and was a champion racer in the IHRA & NHRA Association until age 77. You could not stop him from enjoying his life and living it to the fullest. He also enjoyed boating, traveling in his RV, going on many cruises and was such a world traveler. But most important to RL was his love for his family. Many knew him as a proud father and grandfather always recounting his favorite memories spent with his family throughout the years.

Robert was the son of the late Lloyd Emerson Koontz Sr. and Emma (Wiland) Koontz. He was preceded in death by 3 sisters, Patty Jean Schrock, Betty Donati, Jo Ann Shrock and 1 brother Lloyd Koontz Jr.

He is survived by his sister Bernice Christner. He is also survived by his loving wife of 31 years Cynthia "Cindy" Koontz of Sarasota, FL and 7 children/step-children; Robert Koontz Jr., Michael Koontz (Stacy), Michele (Koontz) Maddox (Art), Brian Koontz (Sabine), Kristal (Koontz) Moore (Scott), Dawn Small

(Jonathan) and Shannon Drawdy (Kelly). He is also survived by 15 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren.

A memorial gathering will be held on Tuesday September 8, 2020 from 9 -11 AM with a Memorial Service that will begin at 11:00 AM, at Toale Brothers Funeral Home located at 40 N Orange Avenue. Sarasota, FL 34236

Private burial ceremony for immediate family.

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

SEP 8. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Toale Brothers Funeral Home & Crematory - Colonial Chapel
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Tribute Wall

TA

“ *Saddened to hear of Bob's passing. He was a guy that did it his way.*

Terry Armentrout

Terry Armentrout - September 12, 2020 at 09:38 PM

ST

“ *Sorry to hear about Uncle Bobby. I will always remember when our family came to Sarasota for vacation back in the 70's and Bobby would take us out on the boat and for a very late breakfast at the Waffle House. And when he lived in Maryland. My thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. Rest in peace and tell my Mom & Dad Hello. for me.*

Sue Ellen Schrock Tolson

Sue Tolson - September 08, 2020 at 09:15 PM

RS

“ *Rest in Peace Uncle Bobby. I will always have found memories of the Koontz family reunions. My condolences to the family.*

Richard Schrock

Richard Schrock - September 04, 2020 at 03:56 PM

LK

“ *i am very sorry for the lost of Uncle Bobby to all of his family and friends. My condolences. Race on Uncle Bobby*

Lisa (Schrock) and Clyde Krewson

Lisa Krewson - September 04, 2020 at 12:05 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert "RL" Lee Koontz.*



September 04, 2020 at 11:51 AM



“ *So very sorry for your loss. I have so many memories with your family from Greenwood Stables Rd and the property on the bay. Sending you all healing and positive vibes to help during this difficult time.*

With love Nevie Darby-Kirkland

nevie Darby-Kirkland - September 04, 2020 at 09:22 AM



“ *Bob was a wonderful man. I worked for him for 15 years. He was so good to me and he was a good friend. It is so hard to believe he is gone. He loved his family and he loved to travel. He was always on the go. My deepest condolences to Cindy and all his children and grandchildren. Rest In Peace Bob. I'm sure Hot Rod met you when you went home. You will be missed by many!*

Ginny Schwarz - September 03, 2020 at 06:58 PM

JV

“ *There is no where to start. We have so many racing memories and lots of fun times with RL and Cindy. Heaven just got a wonderful angel to help watch over us all. Love to Cindy and family. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*
Sincerely,
Billy and Janet Vaughn
Sevierville, TN



Janet and Billy Vaughn - September 03, 2020 at 06:05 PM