



Robert Peter Liska

July 11, 1962 - December 31, 2025

Robert P. Liska, affectionately known as "Dr. Bob," passed away on December 31, 2025, in Fridley, Minnesota. He was 63 years old.

Born on July 11, 1962. He originally lived in Broadview, IL, before moving to Isle, MN. His parents owned Big Point Ice Fishing Resort. Bob grew up with a passion for mechanics and craftsmanship that would shape both his career and his personal pursuits. He graduated from Isle High School in 1980, laying the foundation for a lifelong dedication to precision work and technical skill.

Bob built a respected career as a machinist and CNC setup technician at NTM National Tool & Machine, Inc., where his expertise and attention to detail earned him the admiration of colleagues and clients alike. His work reflected not only technical proficiency but also a deep pride in doing things right—a value he carried into every aspect of his life.

Outside of work, Bob found joy in working on hobby cars, especially his beloved street rod. His enthusiasm for automotive customization was more than a pastime; it was a true passion. He took great pride in showcasing his car at events like the Street Machine Nationals and the MSRA Back to the 50's, where fellow enthusiasts recognized both the quality of his craftsmanship and the spirit behind it.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, James and Mary Ann Liska. He is survived by his brother, Burton Liska.

May his memory bring comfort to those who knew him and shared in the moments that made his life meaningful. A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, January 31, 2026 at Washburn-McReavy Coon Rapids Chapel (1827 Coon Rapids Blvd NW, Coon Rapids) at 2pm with visitation one hour prior.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 31. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Coon Rapids Chapel
1827 Coon Rapids Blvd.
Coon Rapids, MN 55433

Celebration of Life

JAN 31. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ 11 files added to the album *Bob Liska Memorial Album* ”



Patty Haworth - January 09 at 11:37 PM

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“ I remember it was a cold winter’s day, my first day at Isle High School, when Bob was the first person to introduce himself to me. That was the first day of a long friendship. From that first day, it was obvious he used Dr. Bob’s Amazing Hair Tonic.

While Bob was very essential in the day to day operations of Big Point Resort, he found time to chase his passion for cars, his buggy, Capri and of course the famous C-cab he built from scratch to name a few. Bob read every auto magazine he could get his hands on, he was a great resource when someone came to him with a project, Bob could recall which magazine covered any similar project and was willing to help. I was always concerned his curiosity would get him in trouble, Bob never thought twice before crawling under a car on the street to see what kind of front end it had.

Bob had a personality that brought people together. During his high school years he moved into the attic of the lodge at Big Point which became a popular hangout for his friends whether to watch episodes of Dallas, share a pizza or study up on the likes and dislikes of each Playmate of the month.

Bob was never alone, for years we were like brothers but as with many relationships life gets in the way and people drift apart as we did. While I am grateful for the memories we had, I am even more grateful to know there were other “brothers” in Bob’s life along with the others that took Bob in as a member of their own family.

Russ Mountjoy - January 09 at 07:16 AM



“ I worked with Bob for many many years at NELA and was a friend that shared his passion for cars. He will be greatly missed.

Tim Miller - January 07 at 09:07 PM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Robert Peter Liska.*



January 07 at 03:09 PM



“ *Nancy Winings (cousin) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert Peter Liska.*

Nancy Winings (cousin) - January 07 at 03:09 PM