



Robert John Otten

October 20, 1939 - December 25, 2023

Robert "Bob" John Otten, born October 20, 1939, passed away peacefully at home in Andover, MN on December 25, 2023, at the age of 84.

He grew up in Foreston, MN on the Otten family farm, the third oldest of 14 children. He graduated from Milaca High School in the late 1950s. Even though he knew her from Church, he was officially set up on a date with Sandra Reichle by her brother sometime in 1961. They were married on September 1, 1962, and became parishioners of St. Stephen's about a year later. Bob served in the National Guard for a short while- he enrolled before marriage and discharged soon after he married the love of his life. Bob and Sandra brought eight wonderful children into this world and he wouldn't have had it any other way. In 1966, Bob started working for John Deere and retired after 30 years. Retirement didn't slow him down though; he continued working odd jobs into the early 2000s. He had many things he enjoyed doing throughout the years: gardening, camping, and going for long walks, cleaning up his street and picking up cans being just a few. Bob remained faithful to God, his wife, and John Deere right up to the end. As the saying goes, "Nothing runs like a Deere".

He is survived by his wife, Sandra; children: Paul (Teri) Otten, Theresa (Todd) Fields, Connie (Pat) Plemmons, Denise (Ronald) Bull, Brent (Kari) Otten, Karna (Adam) Davis, Shanna Otten, and Meegan (Anthony) Berens; 20

grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren; and siblings: Janice, Carol, Sharon, Diane, Jim, Nancy, John, Cathy, Mary, Norma, and Ruth.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Arnelda; his brother, Richard; and his sister, Joan.

The Funeral for Bob will take place at St. Stephen's Catholic Church in Anoka, MN, on Tuesday, January 2, 2024, at 11:00am; with a viewing at 10:00am. He will be buried at St. Edward's Catholic Cemetery in Princeton, MN.

Cemetery Details

Oak Knoll Cemetery

511 13th Ave. N.
Princeton, MN 55371

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 2. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Stephen's Catholic Church (Anoka)
525 Jackson Street
Anoka, MN 55303

Church Service

JAN 2. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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525 Jackson Street
Anoka, MN 55303

Graveside Service

JAN 2. 2:15 PM - 2:45 PM (CT)

Oak Knoll Cemetery
511 13th Ave. N.
Princeton, MN 55371

Tribute Wall



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Robert John Otten.*



December 30, 2023 at 04:47 PM



“ *John Reichle planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert John Otten.*

John Reichle - December 30, 2023 at 04:47 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert John Otten.*



December 30, 2023 at 11:10 AM



“ *Rick and Sue Bull planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert John Otten.*

Rick and Sue Bull - December 30, 2023 at 11:10 AM



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December 30, 2023 at 09:07 AM



“ *I will always see a smile on my dad's face when I think of him. His smile made his eyes twinkle* 💙💙



Denise - December 29, 2023 at 08:11 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert John Otten.*



December 29, 2023 at 06:40 PM