



## Robert "Bob" L. Marley

April 20, 1940 - May 16, 2023

Robert "Bob" L. Marley, 83, lifelong Monrovia resident and pillar within the community, passed peacefully from this life on Tuesday, May 16, 2023, surrounded by his loving family while in the care of Hendricks Regional Hospital. He was born at home in Monrovia, IN on April 20, 1940, to the late Clyde and Grace (Benge) Marley.

A proud graduate from Monrovia High School class of 1958, Bob secured employment with Indianapolis Power and Light as a supervisor, retiring at the young age of 55 in 1995. Civic minded throughout his life, Bob was a former Reserve Deputy with the Morgan County Sheriff's Department, where he began the Horse Patrol. His love of horses came from his youngest daughter, Dusty and he delighted in her ability to help him train the two horses, Cowboy, and Misty. A 50-year member of the Monrovia Masonic Lodge #654, he was also a volunteer with the Monrovia Fire Department, serving as Chief. An integral part of incorporating the town, he was an original member of the Town Council, served as past president, belonged to the Monrovia Festival & Civic Association, as well as ending his career as Police Commissioner. A true Monrovia, he wholeheartedly loved his hometown, dedicating his life to making it a better place.

An avid NASCAR fan, he regularly attended races in Indianapolis, and just

one time, his children got him out of Monrovia to travel to the Bristol Motor Speedway, staying in Gatlinburg sightseeing, and visiting the Hollywood Wax Museum where wonderful memories were made. Bob enjoyed boating on Racoon Lake and taught his children to waterski and how to trailer and launch the boat. Owning a motorcycle in his younger days to travel to work, Bob made certain that all his children had motorbikes when they were old enough to ride together as a family.

A man with a heart of gold who didn't know a stranger and would take the shirt off his back to whoever needed it. With a smile that would light up a room and a laugh that was contagious, he had a genuineness that radiated from within; Bob Marley was truly a man who loved his family and friends deeply.

Along with his parents, Bob was preceded in death by his sisters, Shirley Fisher, Lois Olleman, and Sandra Steward.

He leaves behind his children, Darrin Marley of Monrovia, Darcy Hendershot (Greg) of Greencastle, and Dustina Cameron (Che') of Indianapolis; sister, Donna McPhail (Kent) of Plainfield; grandchildren, Robert L. "Robby" Marley II of Nottingham, MD, Nicole Harris (Mike) of Plainfield, Michael Hendershot (Brittany) of Greencastle, and Brayden Marley of Pittsfield, IL; along with 9 great-grandchildren, and his best friend, Ray Brown.

Cremation and Funeral Arrangements have been entrusted to Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel in Monrovia. Bob will be taken to his final resting place on a firetruck, escorted by the Morgan County Sheriff's Department, and all are welcome to line Main Street in Monrovia to pay their final respects by 6:15pm on Friday, May 26, 2023. A Graveside Service will begin at 6:30 pm at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Hall, with Masonic Service Rites and Kent McPhail will officiate. In lieu of flowers, Memorial Contributions may be made to the "Robert Marley Monrovia Improvement Fund" c/o Community Foundation of

Morgan County, 56 N. Main St, Martinsville, IN 46151 or online at <https://cfmc.org/donors/funds-2/robert-marley-improvement-fund/> To share a favorite story, send an online condolence to the family, or light a candle in Bob's memory, please visit his tribute page at [www.lightmemorial.com](http://www.lightmemorial.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Mt Pleasant Cemetery, Hall

5409 W. Hurt Road  
Monrovia, IN 46157

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

MAY **26**. 6:30 PM (ET)

Mt Pleasant Cemetery, Hall  
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# Tribute Wall



“ I started the Morgan County Mounted Horse Patrol and talked Bob into buying a horse (Misty) from me so he could be a member too. There are several of my horses that were used for the horse patrol. Bob was a good person and always ready to help anyone in need.  
Shirley Hill

Shirley Twomey Hill - June 10, 2024 at 01:16 AM

SP

“ Bob was a great friend and mentor. I met him in 1992 when I started my career with the sheriff's office. Godspeed my friend.... Sean Paris

Sean Paris - June 11, 2023 at 09:53 PM

SO

“ Bob had been on my mind for a few days. I'm just reading this now after work. I met Bob 27 years ago when I was hired at the Sheriff's Dept. And have a lot of memories of working with him. Rest in peace Bob. You are missed.



Suzan Oliver - May 26, 2023 at 11:32 PM

MG

“ Michele Gannon lit a candle in memory of Robert "Bob" L. Marley



Michele Gannon - May 25, 2023 at 11:10 PM

SC

“ S Arleen Chitwood lit a candle in memory of Robert "Bob" L. Marley



S Arleen Chitwood - May 25, 2023 at 09:35 PM

JA

“ Jack & Dee Adams lit a candle in memory of Robert "Bob" L. Marley



Jack & Dee Adams - May 25, 2023 at 08:59 PM

TC

“ Sorry to hear of your fathers passing Darcy,



terease cox - May 25, 2023 at 08:35 PM



“ 1 file added to the album LifeTributes



Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel - May 25, 2023 at 05:46 PM



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**Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel** - May 25, 2023 at 11:39 AM



“ *Larry & Carolyn Clements lit a candle in memory of Robert "Bob" L. Marley*



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**Larry & Carolyn Clements** - May 25, 2023 at 10:44 AM



“ 100 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel** - May 24, 2023 at 02:07 PM

NL

“ Bradley and I came to Monrovia in 1989 and quickly became friends with Bob. We had many great conversations with him. We watched him mentor several young men through the years and donated his time to the town he loved so much.

Nancy Lee - May 24, 2023 at 12:07 PM

JM

“ Darrin sorry to hear about your Dad.



Jeannie McCloud-Stephens - May 24, 2023 at 10:49 AM

TM

Bob was a true blessing to know. I loved him dearly. Sending hugs and prayers 🙏

Terri McCombs - May 24, 2023 at 11:26 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert "Bob" L. Marley.



May 23, 2023 at 07:57 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Robert "Bob" L. Marley.

May 23, 2023 at 07:57 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert "Bob" L. Marley.



May 23, 2023 at 03:37 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Robert "Bob" L. Marley.

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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert "Bob" L. Marley.



May 20, 2023 at 06:56 PM



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May 20, 2023 at 06:56 PM



“ I have known Bob for many years, and he was a big help on putting up the Historical Markers. He had the town wave the fee for putting the markers up. He also shared some of the history about them.  
Mike Marsh Monroe Township Trustee

Mike Marsh - May 20, 2023 at 12:43 PM

SK

*MIKE MARSH IS A PILLAR OF THE MONROVIA AREA AS WELL,, THIS IS STEVE KAISER ,,BLESS ALL THOSE OF US WHOM HAD THE PRIVILEGE TO BE FROM THE MONROVIA / HALL/ WILBUR AREAS,,,,*

**STEVE KAISER** - May 21, 2023 at 05:57 AM

SC

*“ Sorry to hear of Bob’s passing. He was a loving father, and cared a lot about the town and the people . A lot of fun times through the years. Rest in Peace Bob.*



**S Arleen Chitwood** - May 19, 2023 at 08:02 PM

VA

*“ Virginia Page Austermiller lit a candle in memory of Robert "Bob" L. Marley*



**Virginia Page Austermiller** - May 19, 2023 at 02:10 PM

RH

*“ Bob was one of nicest guys I ever met, always had a smile on his face. He will be missed by many!*

**Ron Hamm** - May 19, 2023 at 01:54 PM