



Roger James Cox

September 22, 1951 - February 18, 2021

ADRIAN - Roger James Cox, 69, of Adrian, passed away on Thursday, February 18, 2021, at ProMedica Toledo Hospital.

Roger was born on September 22, 1951, in Adrian, Michigan, the son of H. James Cox and Georgina "Dena" Knight Cox. On November 26, 1975, Roger married Janet Horn. They recently celebrated 45 years of marriage.

Roger and Janet owned and operated NAPA Auto & Paint Supply, Inc., in Adrian and Tecumseh for 20 years. It is here where Roger met many friends and built life-long relationships. After retiring from the parts business, Roger went on to work for the Lenawee Intermediate School District (LISD), where he met even more friends. He loved his work at the LISD and treasured his friendships. Roger taught Sunday School at First Baptist Church in Tecumseh for 15 years and most recently was a member of Faith Baptist Church in Adrian. Roger loved meeting people, helping people and making others smile.

Most precious to Roger was his family, including his wife Janet, daughter Amy (Jeremy) Palmer, son Shane (Tina) Bowman, and his granddaughters, Samantha and Jessica Bowman. He is also survived by his aunt Gale Solmonson, step-brother Gary (Linda) Stefanik, step-sister Jody (Randy) Wooten, half-brother Jason Cox, half-brother Jeff Cox, and step-sister Paula (Randall) Franks. He was loved by his sisters- and brothers-in-law, Judy

Demlow, Jeanette Sutton, Miles (Teresa) Horn, Jr. and David Horn. Roger was also a beloved uncle to numerous nieces and nephews and a cherished cousin and friend.

He was preceded in death by his father and stepmother, James and Phyllis Cox; mother and stepfather, Dena and Merrill "Mac" McClain; sister Cathy Sue Cox and brother Ronald Cox, both in infancy; as well as his in-laws, Miles and Dolores Horn, Sr. He was met in heaven by many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

Roger took great pride in his work at the LISD. While serving in the District's Facilities and Maintenance Department, he always cherished the opportunity of providing a helping hand. More recently, Roger had the privilege of assisting students with special needs during their bus rides to and from school. He loved helping students who needed a little extra care, and everyone loved Roger.

Visitation for Roger will take place on Friday, February 26, 2021 from 2:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Wagley Funeral Home, Adrian and again on Saturday, February 27, 2021 from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Following the Governor's executive order, all attendees are required to wear a proper face covering, with the exception of those under the age of five years old or those who cannot medically tolerate. Funeral services for Roger will be private. Rev. Greg Burdine will be officiating. A live streaming of the service will be accessible from Roger's tribute wall on www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com, beginning on Saturday, February 27 at 11: 30 a.m.; where a link to view the recording will be available for 90 days.

In memory of Roger, and to honor his dedication and love for those students, memorial donations may be made to the Lenawee Intermediate School District to help support extended learning activities for students with special

needs while riding on the school bus. Memorial donations may also be made to Faith Baptist Church in Adrian. Envelopes are available at Wagley Funeral Home. Online memories and condolences may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **26**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home (Adrian)
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Adrian, MI 49221
(517) 263-1400
info@wagleyfuneralhome.com
<https://www.WagleyFuneralHome.com>

Visitation

FEB **27**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Live Video Stream

FEB **27**. 11:30 AM.

www.WagleyFuneralHome.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Wagley Funeral Home and Cremation Service created a Webcast in memory of Roger James Cox*



Wagley Funeral Home - February 20, 2021 at 12:34 PM

SB

*it was a beautiful service for a wonderful husband and father and family and a great friend
know of our prayers sr kitty*

sr kitty beheha - February 27, 2021 at 12:14 PM



“ *Roger James Cox*

January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM

TB

“ *Hi, I'm a bus driver with Tecumseh Schools and met Roger while waiting for kids at the Tech Center. Roger was a kind man who loved his friends and loved to laugh with them.
I felt honored to have been included in his circle. I'm so sorry for your loss. :(*

Terri Butler - March 03, 2021 at 08:41 PM



“ *Just finished listening to the funeral. How beautiful . Continued prayers.*

Jill Maria Murdy - February 28, 2021 at 01:27 PM



“ *We are grateful for the times we got to spend with him. We love you all. ❤️*



Daniela - February 27, 2021 at 07:10 PM



“ *What a wonderful person and role model Roger was. The only thing that surpasses my sadness at his passing, is my gratefulness for the good times we were able to spend together. I'll think of him kindly every time I see Amy and Janet. <3*

Josh Palmer - February 26, 2021 at 10:56 PM

JB

“ I had the privilege of knowing Roger, for a number of years, at the LISD TECH Center. He visited my classroom daily to take care of any room maintenance needs. He always had the greatest professional attitude that anyone could want...and yes, he had a great smile. I used to talk with him about his family and retirement, and he had said "Oh, one of these days I will retire." It seems that he really liked working, and helping people... and he did retire a short time before me.

...My condolences to all of his family. I know that he will be missed.

Rest in Peace in Heaven, Roger, and God willing, we will see you again one day!

Joel Beutler - February 26, 2021 at 05:06 PM

BT

“ Roger was a wonderful kind person. He knew how to keep you laughing with his humor. He will be greatly missed. Our love and prayers go out to the family. Bill and Joan Turner

Bill and Joan Turner - February 26, 2021 at 12:06 PM

JB

“ Roger (Mr. C. to me) was one of the kindest and most generous man I have ever met. Shane and I have been friends for over 40 years and growing up around Roger and the Cox family had a profound and lasting impact on my life. The love and care he showed for his family was always on display and he made me feel a part of that when I was around. I enjoyed our conversations when I was over at the house or stopped at the store. I could always count on a good joke or story before the conversation was done. He will truly be missed by all those he touched with his life including me. Love you, Mr. C.
-Joe Balog

Joe Balog - February 26, 2021 at 09:59 AM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Roger James Cox.



February 24, 2021 at 08:36 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Roger James Cox.



February 24, 2021 at 07:49 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Roger James Cox.*



February 24, 2021 at 11:45 AM



“ *The knight family doug,Linda and dennis,peggy purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Roger James Cox.*



The knight family doug,Linda and dennis,peggy - February 23, 2021 at 07:31 PM



“ *I had the pleasure of working with Roger at the LISD. He always had a great attitude and was always willing to lend a helping hand. There were many times were he would drop what he was doing to help out. I always appreciate that.*

My sincere condolences to the Cox family. May God bring you peace during this difficult time.

JoAnna Keebler - February 23, 2021 at 03:13 PM



“ *Janet, Amy: Know my prayer is with you at this time. I remember Roger's smiling face each week at Faith Baptist church. May God and your wonderful memories bring you comfort at this time. Candy Aranda*

Candace Aranda - February 23, 2021 at 12:30 PM



“ *Ann and I send heartfelt condolences...very sad and sorry for your loss.*

David Guldin - February 23, 2021 at 12:20 PM

DS

“ *My heart goes out to all family members, thinking of each of you. You have my deepest sympathy and heartfelt sorrow. Candy and Dan Strine*

Danny and Candy Strine - February 23, 2021 at 12:11 PM

FK

“ *from the Turner family (Jesse, Cassie & kids) purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Roger James Cox.*



from the Turner family (Jesse, Cassie & kids) - February 23, 2021 at 11:40 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Roger James Cox.*



February 23, 2021 at 10:26 AM

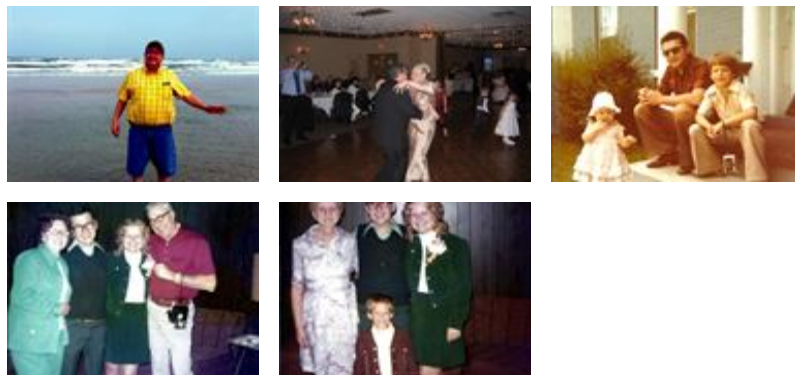
DS

“ I haven't known Roger for very long, but he was a very friendly and personable guy. We enjoyed morning coffee at McDonalds with other friends. I wish only the best for his wife and family.

David Shulters - February 23, 2021 at 10:13 AM



“ 234 files added to the album Life Tributes



Wagley Funeral Home - February 22, 2021 at 02:39 PM

SW

“ Roger always had a smile on his face. His pranks and humor were priceless. One day our fire alarms were malfunctioning and he called to say he left his fire helmet in our building. I searched and searched for this helmet. He later called to say that he was just joking. A few days later there was a utility helmet on my desk that Roger had decorated to be my very own fire helmet! It even had my name on the back of it. Since then it has been a cherished decoration for my classroom. Thanks for the laughs and for just being you!

Sarah Wooten - February 22, 2021 at 12:52 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Roger James Cox.*



February 22, 2021 at 10:57 AM



“ *Ill miss this kind and friendly man. Didnt know him long (4yrs) But it felt like a life time
. Dee Terrill Lisd .custodain*

deannine g terrill - February 22, 2021 at 10:33 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Roger James Cox.*



February 21, 2021 at 07:25 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Roger James Cox.*



February 21, 2021 at 05:25 PM

JR

“ I will cherish Roger’s friendship and his acts of kindness, generosity, thoughtfulness, and sense of humor which culminated in a gift to me several years ago. Roger noticed I would often bring radishes with my lunch at work. I told him I enjoyed eating them and burping them afterwards. So for my following birthday, he gave me a plastic planter and a package of Burpee radish seeds. He was a hoot! I will treasure that memory, his good nature and his affection for people.

Joel Rodriguez - February 21, 2021 at 01:34 PM

TB

I have some great memories of Roger and Janet from the many trips I made into the NAPA Store when I worked for Bales Trucking! We always picked on each other and joked around. I always left the store with a smile if not laughing out loud!! It’s those memories that will carry me through this time of loss of my friend. I hope the family will do the same.

Best wishes,
Tom Braman

Tom Braman - February 22, 2021 at 01:10 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Roger James Cox.



February 21, 2021 at 09:30 AM

KH

“ Rog- I will miss you, my friend. You were the first smile I saw when I started at the LISD and I felt like we knew each other our whole lives. You always had sage advice with a bit of reality and sarcasm. My heart soars for you knowing you are with Our Lord, but those of us left behind will truly miss your humor, your love for others and your compassion for life. You were God's Gift and I was lucky to know you. - Kelly Heidbreder WTOL, LISDTV and Roger's friend.

Kelly Heidbreder - February 21, 2021 at 08:23 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Roger James Cox.



February 20, 2021 at 07:37 PM

GB

“ Roger and I worked together at the Lenawee ISD. We didn't see one another often, but when we did he always demonstrated kindness and respect, and always knew you by name.

Glen

Glen Bowman - February 20, 2021 at 05:55 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Roger James Cox.



February 20, 2021 at 04:33 PM

MS

“ *Milly Spencley lit a candle in memory of Roger James Cox*



Milly Spencley - February 20, 2021 at 03:19 PM

EM

We knew Roger for 50 years, went thru school together we were in seperatable , going to be a great loss even tho I moved south we still remained in touch. our love to Amy and Janet Roger you will be missed. Eddie and Kathy Mills

eddie c mills - February 27, 2021 at 11:56 AM