



## Robert Frank Burkett

March 29, 1943 - September 25, 2017

Robert F. Burkett of Bloomington passed away at the age of 74 on September 25, 2017 at Garden Villa Bloomington. He was the son of Brodie and Delethia (Roberts) Burkett of Livonia , Michigan.

Robert spent his youthful years in Livonia and was a graduate of Bentley High School.

He continued his educational training at Central Michigan University earning a Bachelor of Science in Education degree in 1966 and a Master of Arts degree in administration 1969. He later earned his Doctorate of Christian Education degree at Freedom Seminary in Orlando, Florida, 1983.

Dr. Bob, as he was known to family and friends, began his educational career in the public school system of Michigan as a high school teacher and a school superintendent. In 1973 he moved to Cedarville, Ohio to become the Dean of Men at Cedarville College today known as Cedarville University. In 1975 he was employed at Dayton Christian Schools as an elementary principal for the north campus. His later years were spent in sales for Maxwell Office Supply and Sell4Free Real Estate, both in Bloomington, Indiana.

Robert was a former member and youth leader at New Prospect Baptist Church in Dolan, Indiana. He was instrumental in publishing a church newspaper called the Dolan Times. In recent years, Robert became a member of Bloomington Baptist Church where he was active as a teacher and occasional pulpit supply. His ministry also included pastorate at Quincy Baptist

Church and First Baptist of Amo, both in Indiana.

Robert is survived by his wife Carla of 54 years and six children: Dana (Rob) Freeman, Debra (David) Durkee, Suzanne (Norman) Nicholson, Stephanie (Kendall) Reeves, Dean(Sunshine) Burkett, and Valerie (Benjamin) Bruce. Grandchildren are Eric (Julie) Freeman, Kayla Freeman, Alexis Cullinane, Andrew and Katie Nicholson, Kaden Reeves, Cameron, Ethan, Elliot, Lily, and Abby Burkett, and Lexi, Jenna, Gabe, and Naomi Bruce.

He was preceded in death by his parents and stepfather Justin Correia.

A gathering to celebrate Bob's life will be held Friday September 29, 2017 from 4:00PM until 6:00PM at Allen Funeral Home and Crematory 4155 South Old State Road 37.

Online condolences, photos and memories may be shared with family and friends at [www.allencares.com](http://www.allencares.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Valhalla Memory Gardens

310 North Johnson Ave.  
Bloomington, IN 47401

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Gathering

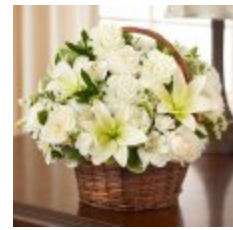
SEP **29**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory  
4155 S. Old State Road 37  
Bloomington, IN 47401  
(812) 824-5905  
<http://www.allencares.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- All White was purchased for the family of Robert Frank Burkett.*



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September 29, 2017 at 01:06 PM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Robert Frank Burkett.*



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September 28, 2017 at 08:23 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**Stephanie Reeves** - September 28, 2017 at 12:48 PM

BA

“ *Bloomington Housing Authority purchased the Shades of Purple for the family of Robert Frank Burkett.*



**Bloomington Housing Authority** - September 28, 2017 at 12:24 PM



“ *Bountiful European Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Robert Frank Burkett.*



September 28, 2017 at 09:02 AM

LK

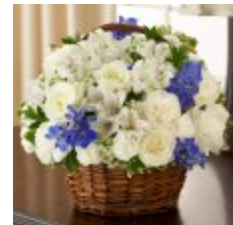
“ *Linda K. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Robert Frank Burkett.*



**Linda K.** - September 27, 2017 at 02:23 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Robert Frank Burkett.*



September 26, 2017 at 08:37 PM

BS

“ We fondly remember Bob and his family when he served our Savior, Jesus at Dayton Christian Schools. I always remembered him as a man with unlimited ideas. He was a joy to serve along side. Be confident of our prayer support for his family.

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**Bud and Carole Schindlet** - September 26, 2017 at 07:08 PM

GL

“ I am Gloria Britton, my mother-in-law is in Garden Villa in the dementia area, and there was a Dr. Bob there, I always talked to him, he watched TV most of the time I would be there. He would always call me blondie, my hair is gray and I would tease him about not seeing the right color. I am so sorry to hear that, he was a very sweet person. Gloria

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**Gloria** - September 26, 2017 at 11:56 AM

HW

“ Many fun memories of Dr. Bob at New Prospect. Blessing of peace to the family. -

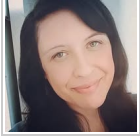
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**Heather Whitlow** - September 26, 2017 at 09:28 AM

LE

“ Lori E. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Robert Frank Burkett.



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**Lori E.** - September 25, 2017 at 09:54 PM



“ *We also appreciated all of his teachings and the way he would express the word of the Lord.*  
*The McCoy family*

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**Angie McCoy Schodowski** - September 25, 2017 at 07:06 PM