



## Robert John Boyken

December 22, 1958 - November 9, 2011

Robert John Boyken, age 52 of Bloomington passed away at his residence Wednesday November 9, 2011. He was born December 22, 1958 to John Robert and Ardith Lambert Boyken in Osage, Iowa but came to call Indiana home after living there with his wife and two children for 23 years. Robert was a 1976 graduate of Algona high School in Algona, Iowa, and spent his professional career as a computer programmer and analyst with SDI Solutions. Bob served his country for 12 years in the United States Navy. He was a member of Emmanuel Baptist Church in Bloomington and will be remembered fondly for serving his church faithfully with his computer knowledge and love for others. Bob was always willing to help whenever asked and is now celebrating the glory of God in heaven. Bob leaves behind his wife Judith Cook Boyken of Bloomington; son John Robert Boyken of Bloomington; daughter Melissa Renee Boyken of Indianapolis; a sister Lori Boyken of Algona, Iowa and his mother, Ardith Boyken also of Algona. He was preceded in death by his father John Robert Boyken. His memory will live on with all of those he leaves behind. He will be missed and loved by many. A Memorial Service for Bob will be held Monday, November 14, 2011 at 3:00PM at the Allen Funeral Home 4155 South Old Highway 37. Friends may call at the funeral home from 2:00PM until the time of the service at 3:00PM on Monday as well. Online condolences may be sent to the family

at [www.allenfuneralhome.org](http://www.allenfuneralhome.org).

# Tribute Wall

KE

“ *Bob was a former colleague at Vitro. He was highly intelligent, wonderfully affable, and extremely generous. Judith, please accept my deepest sympathy.*

*Ken Seabolt  
O'Fallon, MO*

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**Ken Seabolt** - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

MA

“ 11/26/'11

*To The Boyken Families, My heartfelt prayers and sympathy to all of you on the loss of Bob. He was a very nice man and I remember him fondly when I lived in Algona, Iowa. I use to have a paper route and I remember he took over my route as my family was moving to Minnesota in 1970. He was always very helpful and understanding and always took great pride in everything he did. He will be missed by many friends and family. His Christmas Season will be spent with Jesus in Heaven. Rest In Peace Bob-You have earned your crown in Gods Glorious Heaven. May You Rest In Peace Always. With Prayers and Sympathy, Mark J. VonBank- Park Rapids, Minnesota (formerly of Algona, Iowa).*

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**Mark VonBank** - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

AR

“ Dear Judy, Melissa, and John:

*I know death, yet no words can really express what sadness you are feeling at the death of your husband/dad. It's is sad because your husband/dad is missing from your human life, yet a happy occasion because Bob is with his Father, whom I know he dearly loved. I pray that you be blessed with Jesus' strength and courage to carry you through this trial and, according to God's time, may He bring peace and contentment back into your lives. Until then, please know that those who love you are praying for you. Remember...I love you! Take care, my Friends...*

*Blessings, hugs, and much love...Arlene*

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**Arlene Campos** - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

DE

“ Dear Judy and Family~

*We were so sorry to hear about Bob. It has been many years since we have seen you, but we will keep you in our thoughts and prayers. May he rest in peace. Love, Denise Kincaid*

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**Denise Kincaid** - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

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“ Our condolences to the Boyken family. Bob will be fondly remembered in our hearts! Rest In Peace Cousin!!!

*Love,*

*Debbie, Kim, Melanie and Karen*

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**Melanie Rohler (Boyken)** - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

TA

“ I was very shocked and saddened by Bob's passing. He was a wonderful man who knew how to light up a room or even a persons' day in a phone call. It was an honor knowing him and we have all been blessed that God shared him with us. Bob, may you rest peacefully in God's care.

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**Tamara Azuras** - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

DA

“ Judith, Melissa and John,

Our sympathy to all of you. Bob was a great man and still influences my life. I cannot begin to express my gratitude for the time we spent together while in Bloomington. Bob will be sorely missed.

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**David Holets** - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

ED

“ I had the privilege of working with and knowing Bob many years ago at Vitro/Tracor in Bloomington, IN. I remember him being very skilled at his work and also being someone you could go to for help or advice. He was a good co-worker and friend. Ellen and I are sorry to hear of his passing and to Judith and the family we extend to you our sincerest condolences and prayers.

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**Edward Blancarte** - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

PH

“ Dear Judith, Melissa, and John,  
We are grieved for your loss of your husband, and father, Bob. How can it be true? It feels like a bad dream that you will awaken from.

Bob was such a wonderful person, and he touched so many lives. He was a blessing to everyone who knew him. He will be missed by many people, both near and far.

Melissa, I've been pondering your favorite passage these past few days, and how appropriate it seems right now. Proverbs 3:6  
"Trust in The Lord with all thine heart; and lean not on your own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths."

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**Pat and Bob Eakle and Charlie Hawkins** - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

SC

“ My Sympathy to all. I grew up with Bob and we went to school together. He will be missed!

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**Scott Walker** - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

AD

“ To Judith, John, and Melissa:

*Again, words cannot express my sorrow in the passing of Bob. He was an awesome individual and man of God. Bob will also be in my heart as well as you all. Bob was such an encouragement and help to me while I was in college and I will never forget that.*

*Allow me to show you some comfort from Scripture as you walk through this chapter. I know it is a familiar passage and I am sure you will be hearing it for a while but hold to these words as you think about Bob's passing and I am sure it will bring you comfort:*

*I Thessalonians 4:13-18*

*13 But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. 14 For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. 15 For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. 16 For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. 18 Therefore encourage one another with these words.*

*Paul told us to comfort each other with these words and that is what I am doing. We will all be reunited someday in Heaven. I cannot wait! Just know I am praying for you all. Sorry I cannot be there in person but know I am with you in Spirit.*

*Abiding in the Truth,  
Adrian*

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**Adrian Selmon** - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

KD

“ We were very sorry to hear of Bob's passing. We have fond memories of him participating in Kyle and Grace's wedding. He played an important role in their lives, and we send our deepest condolences to your family.

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**Karen and Doug Blocher** - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

BA

“ Thinking of you and the family.

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**Barbara Bridgett** - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

SU

“ Sorry to hear about Bob. My prayers are with you and your family. He was always a great guy to help with bowling reports and treasurer report.

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**Suzanne Harden** - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM

IR

“ To Judith and children:  
I was shocked to hear the news and I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Bob. He was a great guy and will be missed by everyone. I will always remember him fondly. I wish the best for you and John and Melissa.  
Irene Minucci

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**Irene Minucci** - March 22, 2013 at 08:18 AM