



Samuel 'Sam Bob' Robert Miller

February 1, 1932 - February 12, 2020

Samuel Robert “Sam Bob” Miller, 88, entered his eternal rest on February 12, 2020, after battling various cancers for over 30 years at his home in Advance. He wasn’t about to let the cancer win and ultimately it was likely a heart attack that took him from us.

Sam was born on February 1, 1932 in Boone County to Russell and Mabel Miller. He learned the value of hard work while growing up on the farm. He never complained about doing physical labor, always willing to help anyone in need. He graduated from Ben Davis High School then went into the Army during the Korean Conflict.

He married Joyce Arlene Lawton on June 30, 1951 in her childhood home in Ladoga, IN. The couple were blessed with five children, 11 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

Sam never met a stranger, just someone waiting to be regaled with his stories. He loved people and wanted to know them better, however silence was never his friend.

Dairy, hog and crop farming (corn, beans, tomatoes and cucumbers), preaching and construction equipment maintenance were his family’s livelihood. He enjoyed working with others, especially farming with the help of his son, Larry. The other four children never quite embraced the farm labor

with the same enthusiasm.

Sam became a Christian when he was a teenager. He was a devoted member of the Gadsden Church of Christ for over 50 years and served as an elder in the congregation for several decades. He was also a part time itinerant preacher throughout central Indiana and Illinois in his early years.

Sam was preceded in death by his wife of 68 years Joyce, parents, Russell and Mabel (Rodgers) Miller, brothers, H.R., John Otto, Jack, Billy and sister Helen Mabel and great-granddaughter, Dixie Rose.

Survivors include children, Dennis Miller and wife Sheri (Colleyville, TX), Deanna Miller (Advance), Larry Miller and wife Fran (Thorntown), Linda Ranney and husband Todd (Advance), and Alan Miller and wife Brenda (Lebanon area); grandchildren, Michael Miller, Kacie Miller, Amber Williford, Dustin Miller, Jeffrey Miller, Austin Ranney, Samantha Foy, Joel Ranney, Tristin Miller, Jenna Miller and Elijah Miller; sister-in-law Juanita (Jack) Miller, along with many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from 2-5pm on Tuesday, February 25 at Myers Mortuary, 1502 North Lebanon Street in Lebanon, Indiana with a memorial service following at 5:00pm, at the funeral home in Lebanon.

In lieu of flowers donations can be sent to Boone County 4-H for a picnic table in his name.

Inurnment of ashes are planned for a later date at Pleasant View Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **25**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Myers Mortuary
1502 North Lebanon Street
Lebanon, IN 46052
(765) 482-0620
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Tribute Wall



“ *Samuel 'Sam Bob' Robert Miller*

November 27, 2022 at 01:43 PM



“ *Even though we are only related by marriage, Sam (and his sweet wife, Joyce) always treated us like dear family. He cared deeply when we went through trials, and rejoiced greatly when we were well. His smile was genuine and infectious. He is greatly missed!*

Aarron and Kristin Phillips - February 25, 2020 at 10:07 PM



“ *My husband, Paul (our son) & I met Sam & Joyce when Alan & Brenda brought them to Oklahoma for a visit. It was as if we had always known them. All of us are fortunate to have met & known them. Their 68 years of married life was very enriching for all of their family & friends. They brightened the corner wherever they were. The Miller Family is thoughtfully in my prayers.
Becky Sparks*

Becky Sparks - February 25, 2020 at 09:52 AM

SM

“ The Salomon Mirelez family extends our deepest sympathies to the Sam Miller family. Sam’s obituary captures him a “T.” The picture captures the zest and joy he had for life. The write-up captures all of the wonderful qualities he possessed beginning with his conviction for his faith, his love of and for his family, his love of working the land, and his selflessness in always helping others. He helped our dad, Salomon, with his tomato, cucumber, corn and wheat farming whenever and wherever it was needed. He was a jack of all trades including truck, tractor and farm equipment mechanic. The two were kindred spirits. We are eternally grateful for not only his helping our dad but remembering our mom after our dad passed away in late 2000. Please find comfort in knowing you’re left with some wonderful memories, and that they’re talking about the next crop they’re going to plant in heaven. Our family extends our thoughts, our prayers and our love.

Sol Mirelez - February 25, 2020 at 07:31 AM

TF

“ The Tucker Family purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Samuel 'Sam Bob' Robert Miller.



The Tucker Family - February 24, 2020 at 07:32 PM

CC

“ Christian Love from South Boone Church of Christ purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Samuel 'Sam Bob' Robert Miller.



Christian Love from South Boone Church of Christ -
February 23, 2020 at 06:50 PM

EP

“ Our deepest condolences to the Millers Families. May you all treasure and cherish all the great memories you shared with Mr. Miller. He was the kindness and best friend we had, and we will miss him dearly. May GOD gave you the strength and comfort during this difficult time. Our thoughts and prayers for all. Hugs.

*Mr. & Mrs. Manuel Serrano Mission, Texas
and the rest of the Serrano Family.*

Elvira Pulido - February 21, 2020 at 09:23 AM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Samuel 'Sam Bob' Robert Miller.



February 21, 2020 at 09:10 AM

BF

“ BILLIE Fields lit a candle in memory of Samuel 'Sam Bob' Robert Miller



BILLIE Fields - February 17, 2020 at 05:18 PM

BF

All of Silver Sneakers will miss you

BILLIE Fields - February 17, 2020 at 05:20 PM

CB

“ *Connie Bleicher sent a virtual gift in memory of Samuel 'Sam Bob' Robert Miller*



Connie Bleicher - February 14, 2020 at 08:31 AM

CB

Uncle "Sam Bob" is one of the best men I've ever known. I know he is rejoicing with his Savior and is filled with joy. I'm sad I won't feel his hugs again, but I am assured he is where he spent his life trying to be.

Connie Bleicher - February 14, 2020 at 08:33 AM

MP

“ *To all of Sam's Beautiful Family,
Sam was one of the most Godly, Honest,
Caring and Loving Man we have ever known.
He baptized two of our daughters. We so
enjoyed having him and Joyce in our home
for
Sunday dinners after his Wonderful sermons at Boundary Line
Church of Christ in LaFontaine, IN
We will always Cherish our memories of them and their love for God
and each other.
May you each find comfort through God and your many, many fond
memories.
Love,
Marlin and Janet Pattee
765-981-2418*



Marlin and Janet Pattee - February 13, 2020 at 09:19 PM

JE

“ *Jory And Janie Earl lit a candle in memory of
Samuel 'Sam Bob' Robert Miller*



Jory and Janie Earl - February 13, 2020 at 06:18 PM