



Robert L. Hansen

January 29, 1929 - February 23, 2012

Robert 'Bob' L. Hansen

RACINE – Robert 'Bob' L. Hansen went home to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, on February 23, 2012.

The following is written by Robert's hand.

He was born in Kenosha on January 29, 1929, to Carl and Marie (nee: Williams) Hansen. Bob was drafted into the Army on January 10, 1951 and discharged on September 24, 1952. Bob served as an MP in Japan. He was a spare time gardener. Robert worked at American Motors for 9 years. He opened an Indian motorcycle shop in 1958 in Waukegan, IL til 1961. On September 20, 1969 he married Merle Jane Sharkey. Bob bought the Honda Store on January 10, 1961, from Bob (Tuner) Hansen. Bob sold the Honda Store in 2002 and retired. Bob also had the Honda Motor Sports store on Washington Ave. in Racine. Robert was a lifetime member of the VFW Post 7924 in Kansasville, serving five years as Post Commander. He was on the Board of Directors for Wisconsin Motor Cycle Dealers Assoc. of Wisconsin and was the oldest Honda dealer in Wisconsin. Robert had a deep passion for motorcycling and used to ice race quite a bit in Racine and Kenosha Counties, as did his son, Jesse Hansen. Jesse used to work for his parents at Honda Motor Sports store. Robert taught Jesse a lot about fixing motorcycles and Jesse got quite good at it. Robert went to Sturgis 34 times, in Sturgis, South Dakota for rallies, also in Daytona, Florida. He had a very special interest in Indian motorcycles.

Bob graduated from Union Grove High School, class of '47'. Robert was raised in Paris Township on a farm. His wife, Jane worked alongside him at the Honda Motor Sports store on Washington Ave. for 40 of the 45 some years he was there. Robert adored his grandchildren, especially Elizabeth Hansen, who he called 'Lil bush'. He had many good times with his grandchildren and will be missed very, very much by them and his wife. He is survived by his loving wife of 48 years, Jane, who was very good to him and took care of him in their home. She is a very loving and giving person and would do most anything to make him comfortable. He received very special care from her. He is also survived by his sister, Arlene (Hansen) Grist; his son, Jesse Robert (Pam) Hansen, Sr; grandchildren, Michelle M. Hansen, Shawnee A. Hansen, Jesse R. Hansen Jr., Elizabeth Jane Hansen, and nephew, Lee Moore, all of Racine and son Larry Neau of Kansasville and his 4 children. Robert enjoyed his nephew Lee Moore tremendously, and was always interested in Lee's job. He had a nickname for Lee and that was 'Leefert'. Robert was proud of what a hard worker Lee is. In addition to his parents, Robert was preceded in death by his brothers, Ed Hansen, Gary Hansen and sister Lorraine Hansen Riedenbock. Robert was very close to Jane Hansen's Christian sister, Shirley Hansen, who he knew for 24 years. He loved both his wife's and Shirley's baked goods, which was done quite often. Private services were held at the Southern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Union Grove.

Cemetery Details

Southern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery

21731 Spring Street
Union Grove, WI 53182