



## Robert William Weber

February 21, 1922 - December 21, 2014

Robert W. Weber

RACINE-Robert W. Weber died in his sleep at 6:15 a.m. on December 21, 2014 at Wheaton Franciscan Hospital at the age of 92. He died peacefully and on his own terms. As far as we can tell, his last cogent words were to a nurse who asked him if he was comfortable. He replied, "I'm able to make a living". Those who knew him remember a man who could captivate a room full of people with his wit and charm. It was important to him to keep people laughing. He chose to be cremated because he didn't want to give his enemies the opportunity to dig him up and parade him around town. He also chose not to have a funeral because he didn't like fanfare and he didn't want to force people to stand around sadly saying what a nice guy he was, knowing that some of them didn't mean it.

He leaves behind two sons, Robert and William and a daughter, Bethany (David) Nichols; seven grandchildren and four great grandchildren. His loving wife Pearl preceded him in death in 1999. Also in mourning are his companion, Betsie Hosick and many friends from Crystal Lake in Frankfort, Michigan.

Robert was born on February 21, 1922 in Etna, Pennsylvania, the crossroads of America. He enlisted in the Army after high school and was stationed in Illinois where he proudly proclaimed that he successfully defended the Mississippi River from the Japanese attack. He was able to convince Pearl Koran to marry him by lying about his young age. He then graduated from the

University of Illinois and then the University of Wisconsin Law School. He was a lawyer in Racine (Pearls' hometown) for approximately 55 years, most of those years he was proud of and thoroughly enjoyed. He travelled well all over the world. He wrote a book and wants you to know it can still be ordered, just call. He read the original works of the Founding fathers and the Greek philosophers. Up until his last days, he read and wrote about rhetoric because he was fascinated by how well educated the Founding fathers were and the influence the Greek philosophers had on their political views. He was a loving and magnanimous husband, companion, father, grandfather and friend who will be missed by many.

Memorials to First Presbyterian Church would be appreciated.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with Bob's family.*

*Denise Dietsche  
(Hugs to my "Uncle Bill")*

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**Denise Ann Dietsche** - December 31, 2014 at 12:46 PM

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“ *Rob, We would like to offer you and your family our deepest and most sincere condolences and may the soul of your dad rest in peace. Ron Ernst and Louise Ozolins.*

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**Ronald Ernst** - December 30, 2014 at 03:27 PM

MH

“ *Bethany, My sympathies go out to you and your family in the passing of your dearly beloved dad. So happy I crossed paths with him professionally and at your house on occasion. Your devotion to him was admirable!*

*With love,  
Marilyn Holbus*

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**Marilyn Holbus** - December 27, 2014 at 09:08 AM

EP

“ *Bob's wit will be both remembered and missed. Bob was one of the best friends I ever had. My sympathies to his family and friends.*

*Gene and Lonnie Perrelle*

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**Eugene Perrelle** - December 26, 2014 at 03:21 PM

DS

“ To Rob and Family-One of the more memorable obituaries I have ever read. Your Father was quite a man. May he Rest In Peace. Sincerely, Dave Stauffacher...

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**Dave Stauffacher** - December 26, 2014 at 09:23 AM

DL

“ I have so many fond memories of Bob and Pearl, most revolving around the "work" that he snookered Rob and his friends to do with the house on Roosevelt. The redwood stain incident stands out. A group of us were staining the house and deck when Bob noticed that one of his "hired" help wasn't getting any coverage with the stain. He was using the rinse bucket. I'm quite sure my daughter Emily was among the throng that welcomed him into Heaven.

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**David Lauer** - December 26, 2014 at 08:38 AM

NJ

“ I was beginning my senior year of nursing school when my husband left me with two small children - needless to say it was a struggle. A dear friend and classmate, Rose McCarthy suggested I have Bob handle my divorce. I remember he was very kind and stood by me during not only the divorce but subsequent encounters. He attended my graduation, for Rose and I, and I had the chance to meet Pearl as well (who was a wonderful person). Bob and Pearl joined us for a party at McCarthy's and we had a great time including a few libations. Many people pass through our lives but he will be remembered for the very positive effect he had on mine with his kindness and encouragement. Nancy Jensen RN

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**Nancy Jensen** - December 23, 2014 at 01:22 PM

PS

“ I am saddened to hear of Bob's passing. He was quite the man and a good boss. It was a pleasure to work for him, and to watch a "master at work" helping others to have some peace in setting up their final estates. Pearl was the love of his life! I really thought she was an Angel sent to keep him in line! Even during her final days, she was sweet and had a tender heart. Now she will welcome him with open arms, back to her side. I learned a lot from Bob and and grateful for his teachings. Rest in peace, Attorney Bob! Paula O'Brien-Slaasted

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**Paula O'Brien Slaasted** - December 23, 2014 at 10:17 AM

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Rob and Bethany, we are so sorry to hear of your father's passing. He lived a long and fruitful life. I'm sure that there were many people he helped in his practice. Our sincere condolences, Eric and Pat Guttenberg

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**Pat Guttenberg** - December 30, 2014 at 02:20 PM