



Robert Herbert "Bob" Soper

July 16, 1939 - April 19, 2017

Robert Herbert "Bob" Soper, 77, of 3860 Keene Summit Road, Wysox, PA passed away peacefully Wednesday afternoon, April 19, 2017 at his home following an extended illness. Robert was born July 16, 1939 at the Robert Packer Hospital in Sayre, PA to Herbert and Ethel Dull Soper. Bob was raised on the family farm in LeRaysville, and graduated from Northeast Bradford School. He worked locally for a few years before joining the Army. Following his honorable discharge from military service, he returned home to the family farm and started employment with the construction crew building the Masonite plant in East Towanda. Upon completion of the building, he was hired as one of the first employees and retired from there 34 years later.

In 1967, Bob left the family farm and married Anetta Chilson, his wife of 50 years. His love of farm life never diminished, and he was happy to relocate high on a hill in Wysox, his home for the rest of his life.

It wasn't the farm, but it was surrounded on three sides by pastures with dairy cows and acres of hay fields or corn fields "with corn as high as an elephant's ear", as he liked to say. Bob was in declining health for several years with COPD and related complications. Prior to that time he kept busy and enjoyed spending time with family, "puttering", gardening, playing cards and loved deer hunting with the Bent Barrel Gang. Bob also enjoyed time spent as a volunteer at TACO, the local food pantry, and especially enjoyed helping the ladies of the Wysox Presbyterian Church prepare their monthly dinner.

Bob is survived by his wife, Anetta, son, Shane of Brush, CO, daughter,

Angela Porter and husband David of Montoursville, PA, grandchildren, Robert and Nicole, 4 great grandchildren, Socks the grandcat, brother, Joseph of Painted Post, NY, brother-in-law, Francis Rogers, sister-in-law, Linda Soper, father-in-law, Joseph Chilson, brothers-in-law, Jerry Chilson (Anna), Larry Chilson, sister-in-law, Nancy Chilson, Michelle Chilson, Valarie Donat, Laveda Gunther, Cathy Shoemaker (Chuck) and Karen Chilson.

Bob was predeceased by his parents, brothers, Duane and his wife Pat, Edward, sister, Roberta Rogers, mother-in-law, Joyce Chilson, sisters-in-law, Jenny Soper and Rose Rohe, brothers-in-law, Joe and Roger Chilson. The family will receive friends Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Maryott-Bowen Funeral Home 217 York Ave. Towanda, PA. A funeral service will be held Monday, April 24, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Robert Martin officiating. Burial will follow in the Wysox Cemetery.

The family suggests that contributions in Bob's honor and memory, may be directed to Wysox Volunteer EMS, P.O. Box 302 Wysox, PA 18854 for their professional and compassionate service to Bob on several occasions, TACO food pantry, P.O. Box 463, Wysox, PA 18854 or to any local cause that serves our area and is available thanks to volunteers who serve tirelessly to help better our community.

Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting www.bowenfuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Wysox Cemetery

Route 187
Wysox, PA 18854

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 23. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Maryott-Bowen Funeral Home
217 York Ave.
Towanda, PA 18848
(570) 265-2272
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Service

APR 24. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Robert Herbert "Bob" Soper

October 22, 2023 at 08:10 PM



“ Robert Herbert "Bob" Soper

October 08, 2023 at 10:34 PM



“ Robert Herbert "Bob" Soper

October 06, 2023 at 09:57 AM



“ Robert Herbert "Bob" Soper

October 06, 2023 at 03:29 AM



“ Robert Herbert "Bob" Soper

October 05, 2023 at 02:02 PM



“ Rick And Jen Chilson lit a candle in memory of Robert Herbert "Bob" Soper



Rick and Jen Chilson - April 24, 2017 at 11:32 AM

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“ *Please accept our deepest sympathy.*
VFW Post 1536, Sayre

VFW Post 1536, Sayre - April 23, 2017 at 10:45 AM

RS

“ *Anetta and family, we are so sorry to hear of Bob's passing. While words can do little to bring you comfort at this difficult time, know that you are in our prayers and have our deepest sympathy. We hope you may find comfort and joy in the many wonderful memories you can share. May God's blessings be upon you.*

Renee & Ernie Stewart

Renee & Ernie Stewart - April 21, 2017 at 11:51 AM