



## Robert H. "Bob" Whipple

December 30, 1941 - September 13, 2024

Robert H. "Bob" Whipple, 82, a well-known resident of Hornbrook, Sheshequin Township, Towanda, PA passed away peacefully to his eternal home from his earthly home on Friday, September 13, 2024, surrounded by those he loved after a period of declining health. Known to all simply as "Bob", his legacy of dedication to his faith, family and farming leaves an indelible mark on all who knew him. Born in Sugar Run, PA on December 30, 1941, Bob was the son of Harry and Gertrude Reed Whipple. He was raised on his parent's farm on Oak Hill near Wyalusing, where he developed a love for the land and a strong work ethic that would define his life. After graduation in 1959 from Wyalusing High School, Bob joined Dairylea and began shipping milk and growing his dairy herd.

On May 25, 1963, Bob and the former Anita Tewksbury were married at the Wysox Presbyterian Church and in 1964 purchased his parents farm near Wyalusing but in 1966 with a vision for growth, they moved the cows to Hornbrook near Towanda, PA and purchased the Pratt Chaffee farm to continue their farming journey. With great enthusiasm and dedication to dairy farming and loving registered Holsteins, together they grew their herd and made many improvements to the property. Bob was a 50 year member of Dairylea when he finally sold his dairy herd. Bob's passion for agriculture extended beyond his own fields and he was deeply involved in the farming/agriculture community serving on several boards over his agriculture career including, the Bradford County Dairy promotion board, Dairy herd

improvement association, the Bradford County Holstein club, Sire Power, Agway committeeman, Bradford County Extension Board, director for Dairylea for 6 years, a sub-district president for Dairylea for many years and a director for Northeastern Pennsylvania Farm Credit for 25 years. Bob and Anita were recipients of the Pennsylvania Dairy of Distinction award, the pride of Dairylea award and Bradford County ASCS land improvement award. His contributions to agriculture were both meaningful and lasting. Bob's faith was the cornerstone of his life. A dedicated member of the North Rome Wesleyan Church, he served on the board and as church treasurer for 28 years and was currently active in the men's prayer group where his faith and commitment to others shone brightly. For the last 11 years, he served as President of the Towanda Area Senior Citizens where he enjoyed serving his peers and community. Until his health declined, Bob enjoyed bowling and found golfing to be an enjoyable pastime. Above all, Bob cherished his family. He is survived by his devoted wife of 61 years, Anita, and his children Pamela (Steven) McCloskey of Mansfield, PA, Bryan (Lynn) Whipple of Canonsburg, PA, and his 6 very special and cherished grandchildren, Katey Grace (Zach) McCloskey-Bare, Ashlyn Whipple, Zach McCloskey, Madison Whipple, Camryn Whipple, and Nolan Whipple, his sister and brother-in-law, Alice and Art Allyn of Wyalusing, his brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Karl and Zanetta Tewksbury of Towanda and brother-in-law, Greg McLaud of Towanda along with several nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends who were dear to his heart. Bob Whipple was a man of integrity, faith and dedication and whose contributions to his family, his farm and community will be remembered with deep gratitude and love. He will be sadly missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him.

Family and friends are invited to a visitation Saturday, September 28th, 2024, starting at 11 AM until 1 PM with a Celebration of Life Service following and then a dinner for everyone at the North Rome Wesleyan Church, 3374 North Rome Road, Rome, PA 18837 with Rev. Ed Torres officiating and assisted by long-time friend and neighbor, Rev. Dr. Philip Wanck. The family will provide

flowers and suggests that contributions be directed to the North Rome Wesleyan Church in memory of Robert H. Whipple.

Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting [www.bowenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.bowenfuneralhomes.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **28.** 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

North Rome Wesleyan Church  
3374 N Rome Rd  
Rome, PA 18837  
(570) 247-7670

## Celebration of Life

SEP **28.** 1:00 PM (ET)

North Rome Wesleyan Church  
Rome, PA

# Tribute Wall

CK

“ We are sad to hear of Bob's passing. He was such a good man. We know he is in heaven.

Clyde and Monica Knolles - September 28, 2024 at 10:11 AM

BB

“ Bradford County Dairy Promotion Board purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Robert H. "Bob" Whipple.



Bradford County Dairy Promotion Board - September 27, 2024 at 02:37 PM

MB

“ I am so very sorry to hear of your familys loss. Bob was a very pleasant man.

Mrs. Jerry Brown - September 23, 2024 at 07:23 PM

RM

“ Bob was a wonderful human being. I know that he is in heaven with God now. God bless you Bob.

Rick Moore - September 23, 2024 at 09:25 AM

SW

“ Whipple family, Prayers , condolences and our deepest sympathy for your loss. Winters family

Scott Winters - September 20, 2024 at 12:48 PM

NM

“ Nancy Leslie Carrie Renee Nicole Mary purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Robert H. "Bob" Whipple.



Nancy Leslie Carrie Renee Nicole Mary - September 19, 2024 at 12:33 PM

NM

“ Nancy Leslie Carrie Renee Nicole Mary planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert H. "Bob" Whipple.

Nancy Leslie Carrie Renee Nicole Mary - September 19, 2024 at 12:33 PM

RC

“ Anita, Esther and Richard Camp are praying for you. The LORD is near to those who have a broken heart. Ps 34:18

Richard Camp - September 18, 2024 at 10:12 AM

DK

“ Anita and family so sorry for your loss. He will be truly missed! may the Lord Jesus guide you all through these trying times.

David Kissell - September 18, 2024 at 09:12 AM

NR

“ NED REED planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert H. "Bob" Whipple.

NED REED - September 17, 2024 at 09:08 PM

NR

“ *NED REED purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Robert H. "Bob" Whipple.*



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**NED REED** - September 17, 2024 at 09:08 PM

BB

“ *Anita and family,  
Our deepest sympathy at your loss. What a wonderful legacy he has left, by always demonstrating God's Love to others. Our thoughts and prayers are with friends and family .  
Bob and Pat Brown*

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**Bob and Pat Brown** - September 17, 2024 at 06:49 PM

AW

*Thank you so much for your kind words.*

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**Anita Whipple** - October 22, 2024 at 07:12 AM

RR

“ *Virginia and will always remember Bob and Anita, as we shared 20 years together at Northeastern Farm Credit, where Bob was a member of our Board and I was privileged to serve as President. Bob's humble personality, quiet sense of humor, and caring heart made him an amazing director and dear friend. We shall miss him at our yearly Retired Director Reunion. We pay tribute to his faith in God, his awesome love for Anita and their family.*

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**Robert T. Reich** - September 17, 2024 at 03:11 PM

WK

“ Sorry to hear of your loss Bob will be missed by many. I remember bowling with him and also being involved with the Sulbra breeder group. He was always there with a friendly smile ready to help.  
Bill & Bonnie Keeney

William and Bonnie Keeney - September 17, 2024 at 12:17 PM

LF

“ Love, Joan Fleet and families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert H. "Bob" Whipple.

Love, Joan Fleet and families - September 17, 2024 at 12:07 PM

LF

“ Love, Joan Fleet and families purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Robert H. "Bob" Whipple.



Love, Joan Fleet and families - September 17, 2024 at 12:07 PM

DY

“ Bob was a prominent man in the Agricultural field, he and his family are well respected by everyone. But why he chose to farm on that knoll is a mystery to all. LOL Dale and Marcella Yasharian

Dale and Marcella Yasharian - September 17, 2024 at 08:31 AM

RD

“ Robert (Bob) and I were classmates at Wyalusing Valley Senior High School. We had the same class schedule for 3 years. Bob always was willing to assist me as I was a slow learner. I have very high regards for Bob as a whole and complete individual, he always had a smile and good words to say. glad to have had the moment of short conversation with him at the recent WVHS school alumni program. He will certainly have a great place in the hand of the Lord.

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Robert Davis - September 16, 2024 at 02:42 PM

CM

“ Dear Anita and family,  
My deepest sympathy in your loss. Bob was such a sweet man and an awesome husband and dad to his family.  
I will always picture him on his tractor, RIP  
Bob~~~



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Claire Martin-Lizon - September 16, 2024 at 09:57 AM