



Robert E. Shawen II

April 14, 1942 - February 13, 2019

Robert E. Shawen, II – Born April 14, 1942 in Dayton, OH. Bob passed away peacefully on February 13, 2019 after a courageous battle against pancreatic/liver cancer. Preceded in death by his father, Robert E. Shawen, I and his mother, Patricia (Mooney) Shawen. Bob is survived by his brother John E. Shawen (Brenda) of Granbury, TX, his sister, Shannon Shawen Brooks (Jim) of Orlando, FL, his three nieces, Janet Shawen (Chad) of Englewood, FL, Pam Shawen of Arlington, TX and Samantha Brooks of Gainesville, FL and his two nephews, Steven Brooks (Rachel) of Winter Garden, FL and Matt Brooks of Ft. Myers, FL and many other great and great, great nephews and nieces who loved him very much.

Bob graduated from Bishop Moore High School in 1960. He joined the Orlando Fire Department in May of 1963 and retired after 26 years of service in 1989 having achieved the rank of Lieutenant. Bob received 7 commendations/awards for heroism and meritorious service during his long career as a paramedic and firefighter. Bob also served as a volunteer on the Killarney Volunteer Fire Department in Orlando for decades, having achieved the rank of Captain, and as a reserve deputy with the Orange County Sheriff's Department for many years. Bob was also very active in St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Crescent City, FL and the Astor Moose Lodge where he served as an officer and on various committees.

Bob is remembered for his big heart, always willing to lend a helping hand to family and friends, his memorable parties, his sense of humor, his love of anything Irish and living life on his own terms. A funeral service will be held on Monday, February 18, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Charles Catholic Church, 4001 Edgewater Dr., Orlando, FL 32804. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Orlando Firefighters' Benevolent Association (www.offba.org).

Tribute Wall

GW

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Gary Woodard - February 18, 2019 at 06:52 AM

SB

So beautiful and fitting. Thank you. Shannon Shawen Brooks

Shannon Shawen Brooks - February 25, 2019 at 04:17 PM

LP

“ Love always, Carolyn and Jeff Pangborn purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Robert E. Shawen II.



Love always, Carolyn and Jeff Pangborn - February 17, 2019 at 06:40 AM

TB

“ Till we meet again my friend. Margaret and Bob purchased the Rainbow Reflections Basket for the family of Robert E. Shawen II.



Till we meet again my friend. Margaret and Bob - February 16, 2019 at 12:52 PM

Pam
Shawen

“ *Pam Shawen lit a candle in memory of Robert E. Shawen II*



Pam Shawen - February 16, 2019 at 10:35 AM

LR

“ *Love from the Lightcaps and the Rammels purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Robert E. Shawen II.*



Love from the Lightcaps and the Rammels - February 15, 2019 at 02:40 PM

FF

“ *From Andrea Stratford and family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Robert E. Shawen II.*



From Andrea Stratford and family - February 15, 2019 at 02:20 PM

MA

“ My thoughts are with the Shawen family at this difficult time caused by the painful loss of Bobby. As children, I remember how much my best friend Pam loved and adored him so very much. As adults, that love and admiration carried forward, as he impacted her life in a very positive way, as he did for so many others. May you all find comfort in the loving memories you all have of Bobby.
All my Love, Marcy

marcy - February 15, 2019 at 09:12 AM

 Pam Shawen

Beautiful sentiment BFF love you too. Thank you from all the family

Pam Shawen - February 16, 2019 at 10:33 AM

JP

I worked with Bobby Shawn on OFD. He was the first person I met on my first day. I knew then that Bobby was a special person. He mentored me and so many others. He loved the fire service and it showed. He was a firefighters firefighter. The best of the best. He never talked down to us rookies. Although if you slowed down while getting ready to go into a fire you would have him " steal" your nozzle leaving you to watch a pro at work. Bobby Shawn you are a legend. Rest easy my friend. Jack Pelletier

Jack Pelletier - February 16, 2019 at 09:20 PM

GW

Bobby, may your journey home be a short one and the celebration when you arrive be a long one. When you set down at the dinner table with our fire department family tell them all hello, Prayers for your family and those of us that will miss you. Rest in Peace my brother, Gary

Gary Woodard - February 17, 2019 at 02:32 AM

BS

When I was hired by the Orlando Fire Department there were two highly respected firefighters who were known throughout the department. Their names were Bob Cross and Bob Shawen. Both were assigned to Rescue 1 but on different shifts. At that time Rescue 1 was a two door panel truck with a windup siren. I had the honor to be assigned to Rescue 1 under the command and supervision of Engineer Bob Shawen. With only one rescue apparatus its response territory was the entire city. I was amazed that Bob knew ever street in the city, and the county as well. When an alarm was transmitted for Rescue 1, out the door we went, Bob behind the wheel shifting gears and navigating streets. There was never any hesitation on the route to take. He was an aggressive and competent firefighter. I've seen him rescue a young man from a balcony of a hotel. He boldly crawl on his stomach under an idling train engine to rescue a man entrapped beneath it. Bob was one of the few EMT's at the time, his medical expertise was as fine as his fire fighting abilities. He was an asset to the department and a solid firefighter/medic ready to respond to any citizen who had an emergency. I'm proud to have worked with Bob and sad he's no longer with us.

Bill Schmitzer

Bill Schmitzer - February 17, 2019 at 04:53 PM

SB

Thank you so much for sharing your memories. God Bless.

Shannon Shawen Brooks - February 25, 2019 at 04:19 PM