



## Robert W. "Bob" Birtley

March 27, 1932 - November 12, 2017

Robert W. "Bob" Birtley, 85, of Mentor, passed away November 12, 2017 at Salida Woods Assisted Living in Mentor, surrounded by his loving family. He was born March 27, 1932 in Granite City, IL.

Bob was a proud veteran and loved people, especially his family, children in general, and fellow veterans. He was a member of the St. Mary's Mentor Men's Club and Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME), and served as SME Treasurer for many years.

Survivors include his children Laura (James) O'Leary, Robert A. (Sharon) Birtley and David (Cathy) Birtley; son-in-law, Michael Grdina; grandchildren; Jonathan (Danina) O'Leary, Daniel (Kirsten) O'Leary, Timothy O'Leary, Christine O'Leary, Brianna (Jeremy) McGar, Robert W. (Fiancée, Sistha Darmawan) Birtley, Cassandra Birtley, Ariel and Nathan Birtley and Bradley Grdina; 7 great-grandchildren and brother, Richard Blatnick.

Robert was preceded in death by his wife, Janet M. (Gehring) Birtley; daughter, Debra "Debbie" Grdina; Father, William Birtley; Mother Amelia (Victor) Blatnick and great-grandson, Philip O'Leary.

A funeral mass will be held 10a.m. Monday, November 20, 2017, at St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church, 8560 Mentor Ave. Mentor. The family will

receive friends 2-5p.m. Sunday, November 19, 2017 at the Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060. Interment will be in Mentor Cemetery, Mentor, OH.

Send flowers or offer condolences at [www.brunners.com](http://www.brunners.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Mentor Cemetery

6881 Hopkins Rd.  
Mentor, OH 44060  
(440) 974-5733

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **19**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center  
8466 Mentor Avenue  
Mentor, OH 44060  
(440) 255-3401  
ajs@brunners.com  
<https://www.brunners.com/>

## Funeral Mass

NOV **20**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St Mary of the Assumption Church  
8560 Mentor Ave  
Mentor, OH 44060  
(440) 255-3404

# Tribute Wall

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“ When I joined SME in 2004, I first met Bob. He was a great mentor in my services as secretary, treasurer and chairman. He had to step back to take care of Janet, but was always welcome to our events is he ever had the interest and opportunity; and he often had inquiries and comments that further illuminated these events.

*If there is a memorium fund of some sort, I would appreciate knowing which organization should be the beneficiary. I can be reached at RoyKay@MetaCityOnLine.com by the executor.*

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**Roy Kay** - November 20, 2017 at 11:00 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert W. "Bob" Birtley.



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November 19, 2017 at 07:46 AM

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“ With deepest sympathy, Susan Anderson & Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Robert W. "Bob" Birtley.



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**With deepest sympathy, Susan Anderson & Family** -  
November 18, 2017 at 09:41 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert W. "Bob" Birtley.*



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November 17, 2017 at 08:05 PM



“ *Uncle Bob, I will always remember you for never forgetting to ask how I am doing and supporting me along the way in my career. You called me "teach" and that put a smile on my face every time. You are an absolutely wonderful role model to your children. Your love for Aunt Janet was unconditional. It is time to rest now....you will be missed. My heart goes out to Laurie, Bob and David and their children and grandchildren.*  
*Love, Shelley*

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**Shelley Laudato** - November 16, 2017 at 09:59 AM



*Bob, you & Janet, Debbi, David, & now Mike Grdina will always be in my daily prayers. We will pray for & all of our loved ones who are Saints in Purgatory or Saints in Heaven that God will release all the Holy Saints in Purgatory now ( if it is Gods Holy Will. No prayer is ever waisted. And please EVERYONE say a daily prayer also for this intention*

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**Lynne & Bud Baeslach** - December 01, 2023 at 09:23 AM