



Mr. Vernell "Bob" Bobby Cox

October 23, 1957 - February 21, 2025

Mr. Vernell Bobby Cox, 67, of Peoria, IL, passed away at 7:10 am on Friday, February 21, 2025 at his residence.

Vernell, also known as Bob, was born in Detroit, MI on October 23, 1957 to Lucy Bobby "LB" and Barbara (Jackson) Cox. He married Sandra Griffith.

Bob, also known as Hook or Boss, worked as a truck driver. He came to Peoria in 1991 to be with his sisters. Bob loved fishing, traveling and watching the history channel. He was laid back and enjoyed spending time with his family.

Bob leaves to cherish his most precious memory, his daughter, Malanik (Kevin) Cox Clemons of Detroit, MI; two brothers, Bernard (Carol) Cox of Detroit, MI and Lawrence (Delores) Cox of Charlotte, NC; two sisters, Sharon Cox and Shirley (Larry) Hale of Peoria, IL; two grandchildren; three greatgrandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. He is preceded in death by parents and one daughter, Monique Cox.

A memorial service will be held at a later date in his home town of Detroit, MI.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at SimonsMortuary.com.

Tribute Wall

RF

“ Prayers and Condolences go out to the Cox Family for the loss of Vernell, growing up in Detroit, Vernell was a stand-up guy, RIP. Ray Funches



Ray Funches - April 06, 2025 at 09:08 PM

NB

“ My cuz Vernell, we had good times together my son's and his daughter would watch movies, eating and laughing together. He was my protector coming by to check on me making sure his little cousin was alright. He insisted on helping me move several times. Love you Big cuz miss you much. I remember him acting and singing like the Temptations.



Niece Blackwell - March 20, 2025 at 10:43 PM

DJ

“ Dwight Jackson. purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Mr. Vernell "Bob" Bobby Cox.



Dwight Jackson. - February 24, 2025 at 01:42 PM

DJ

“ Dwight Jackson. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Vernell "Bob" Bobby Cox.

Dwight Jackson. - February 24, 2025 at 01:42 PM

RL

“ Rebecca L. purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mr. Vernell "Bob" Bobby Cox.



Rebecca L. - February 24, 2025 at 10:51 AM

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DB

“ Dorothea Banks-Burse lit a candle in memory of Vernell "Bob" Cox



Dorothea Banks-Burse - February 24, 2025 at 03:08 AM

VM

“ Love you always, I will miss you popping up in Chicago stopping by to see your cousin ❤️

Vivian Miller-smith - February 23, 2025 at 08:29 PM

CB

“ My favorite memory of Vernell was when he would sing and dance. One of his favorite groups was the "Dramatics". I liked when him and his brothers, and my brother and their friends act like the "Dramatics". They would sing the hit songs: "Whatcha See Is Whatcha Get", "Get Up and Get Down ", "In the Rain", "Hey You! Get Off My Mountain", and "Toast to the Fool". So, my cousin Vernell, sing and dance up in heaven now. "REST IN PEACE". Love, your cousin Becky ❤️.

Cousin Becky - February 23, 2025 at 12:26 PM

KW

To my forever friend May you in paradise We will always love you ,Robin Burton and Kim Wyatt

Kim Wyatt - March 01, 2025 at 02:55 PM

PN

“ Peachie and Niquee purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Mr. Vernell "Bob" Bobby Cox.



Peachie and Niquee - February 23, 2025 at 11:58 AM

RM

“ I am so sorry to hear of Vernell's passing I grew up in Detroit Michigan I have known him since elementary school we were from the same neighborhood we all hung out together as we all got to grow into adulthood everyone moved on in life but we all kept in touch with each other Vernell will surely be missed. Love from Ms. Ros McNabb. The entire Cox family has my heart felt condolences.



Ros McNabb - February 23, 2025 at 09:30 AM

BC

“ *My baby brother Hook .love always no matter what*

Bernard Cox - February 22, 2025 at 06:42 PM