



## Robert K. Grumstrup

September 25, 1943 - August 19, 2021

Robert “Bob” K. Grumstrup, 77, passed away on Thursday, August 19, 2021 at Advocate Condell Medical Center in Libertyville, IL. He was born on September 25, 1943 in Chicago and grew up in the Humboldt Park neighborhood of the city. In 1971, he moved to Libertyville and has lived in the same house for the past 50 years. He was a veteran of the United States Air Force and was a strong supporter of the troops and the disabled veterans of America. Bob began his civilian career as a meat cutter at Hillman’s grocery store in Chicago, where he met the love of his life and wife, Patricia. He worked for various grocery chains throughout his career, finally retiring from Sunset Foods in 2008. He was an expert third degree blackbelt in and instructor of Shōrin-ryū, one of the major modern Okinawan martial arts and one of the oldest styles of karate. He will be remembered as an outgoing, curious, lifelong learner, always striking up a conversation with a stranger and voraciously reading about ancient, medieval and United States history as well as current events. He was an amazing man that will be dearly missed by his family and friends.

Surviving is his wife of 53 years, Patricia Grumstrup; 2 daughters, Denise (David) Zmuda and Kristin (Todd) Lewis; 6 grandchildren, Kelli, Eric, Kate, Ryan, Maggie and Christopher and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and by sisters, Arlene Hall & Lucille Stann and by his infant sister, Diane Grumstrup.

A visitation will begin at 11:00 a.m. followed by a service at 1:00 p.m. on

Tuesday, August 24, 2021 at Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, 120 W. Park Ave. (Rt. 176, one block of Milwaukee Ave.) in Libertyville. Interment will follow at Ascension Cemetery in Libertyville. Memorial contributions would be appreciated to the Wounded Warrior Project, [www.woundedwarriorproject.org](http://www.woundedwarriorproject.org). For info: 847-362-3009 or share a memory at [www.burnettdane.com](http://www.burnettdane.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **24**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Burnett-Dane Funeral Home  
120 West Park Avenue  
Libertyville, IL 60048  
(847) 362-3009

## Funeral Service

AUG **24**. 1:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert K. Grumstrup.*



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August 22, 2021 at 03:31 PM



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August 21, 2021 at 03:44 PM



“ *Uncle Bob was my Mom's older/only brother and one of a kind; smart, funny, strong, amazing story teller and gave the best hugs! I remember what a support he was to my mother during her last days on this earth; hearing them laugh and remember old times brought a warmth to my heart that I'll never forget. Uncle Bob we love you so very much! We know you are being welcomed with open arms & abundant love by all of the special angels who have gone before you! We will miss you beyond words & cherish all of the wonderful memories we have in our hearts. You were a gift and a blessing to our family that I will always be grateful for. Sending love to Aunt Pat, Kristin, Denise and the rest of the family; I am so very sorry for this tremendous loss.*



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**Tanya Stann** - August 21, 2021 at 03:38 PM



“ *Uncle Bob was the best story teller. He was the type of person that knew a little something about everything. Ill never forget childhood holidays and how magical they were; Dad, Laddie, Grandpa Fred and Uncle Bob all fighting about politics while my little sister and I played baby dolls with our favorite cousin, Kristin. Uncle Bob was the last person who could tell us stories about my mother’s side of the family. He will be greatly missed by so many. Fly high, Uncle Bob! Say “hi” to all the angels who’ve been waiting for you* ❤️

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**Marisha Lewis** - August 21, 2021 at 09:42 AM

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*Marisha you were so right about the politics. I remember he would have the news on and yell at the TV if he didn’t agree with what they were saying.*

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**pat grumstrup** - August 22, 2021 at 11:32 AM

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“ *The best guy to work for, and a great customer. Had a lot of good conversations with Bob over the years. Always hard to leave when the work was done! Always bragging about the grandkids and such. Wish I could have one more service call from him...Rest In Peace.*

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**Keith Whitaker** - August 20, 2021 at 07:25 PM



“ *Such fond memories of holidays and birthday celebrations with Bob, Pat and family. He was a wonderful story teller and a great grandpa.*

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**Shell Lewis** - August 19, 2021 at 10:32 PM