



Robert Charles Gordon

November 30, 1939 - July 12, 2025

Robert Charles Gordon of Chestertown, MD passed away July 12, 2025, at the age of 85.

Bob was born in Minquidale, Delaware on November 30, 1939, the son of the late Rebecca Cann Gordon and William A. Gordon.

He worked with his father as a floor finisher until he determined that work was not for him and began to work as an apprentice bricklayer with A. Ventures Company. He then went on to work as a Job Superintendent for Ocean City Sabitino Company and as a Bricklayers Union Negotiator for Local #1 of Delaware. In 1978, he began his career as a construction trade and masonry teacher with Kent County High School. Bob taught the craft that he grew to know and love for 23 years at KCHS. During his time there, he had such a positive impact on so many of his students. Many of his students went on to pursue careers in construction some of whom have thriving local businesses to this day.

Bob was a member of the Minquidale, DE Volunteer Fire Department beginning at the age of 15 and served in the U.S. Army from 1962-1964. He enjoyed hunting, fishing (especially perch) and loved crabbing on the Chester River. He was also an avid reader and always had a book or magazine close by.

Bob was many things, but he was definitely a builder! Building numerous homes, decks or whatever anyone needed.

In addition to his parents and Mary Tjaden Gordon (his first wife) he was

preceded in death by his siblings: William A. Gordon, Addie Sinclair, and John T. Gordon.

He is survived by his wife of 39 years, Sharon O'Toole Gordon; his children: Sherry G. Mitchell, Robin Betkey (Bob), Lisa Kauffman (Chris), and Robert William Gordon (Brittany); as well as 10 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

A celebration of his life will be held Sunday July 27, 2025, at 1pm at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home in Chestertown, MD, where all who knew him are invited to attend and share a lighthearted story.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Compass Hospice 160 Coursevall Drive Centreville, MD 21617 or a charity of your choice.

Previous Events

celebration of life

JUL **27**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home
130 Speer Road
Chestertown, MD 21620
<http://www.fhnfuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert Charles Gordon*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - July 17, 2025 at 02:24 PM

CM

Sharon and Billy, I was so sorry to hear such sad news. I have good memories of Bob while working with him at KCHS. He was a great teacher and definitely a role model for many young people. Love to you both. Chris Martin

Chris Martin - July 20, 2025 at 11:28 AM

MB

Sharon and family. Bob was my Masonry instructor from 1981-1984. He was a great teacher and always had a smile and a joke each day. He was such a positive role model to many which i witnessed personally.

Mike Blackiston - July 26, 2025 at 10:11 AM

MS

*We will always cherish all the good times with Bob from fishing to hunting to KCTA crab feasts. There are so many memories that will remain in our hearts and too numerous to list. We are so sorry for your loss. One final toast to Bob....until we meet again.
Mark and Doreen Schivley*

Mark Schivley - July 27, 2025 at 12:57 PM

DS

This is a beautiful video capturing the life of Bob and the love of family and friends. Well done. So many memories.

Doreen Schivley - July 27, 2025 at 07:57 PM

PP

Sharon I'm sorry to hear about Bob

Patty Porter - August 10, 2025 at 08:01 PM

JD

“ *Jane Dill sent a virtual gift in memory of Robert Charles Gordon*



Jane Dill - July 25, 2025 at 12:03 AM

JD

Sharon thoughts and prayers are with you for your loss.

Jane Dill - July 25, 2025 at 12:04 AM



“ *A great gentleman and great mentor. He touched so many lives through his years at KCHS. Our thoughts and prayers Sharon.*

Matt Larrimore - July 23, 2025 at 06:14 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert Charles Gordon.*



July 21, 2025 at 01:19 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Robert Charles Gordon.

July 21, 2025 at 01:19 PM



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Chris Martin - July 20, 2025 at 11:44 AM



“ Oh Sharon, I am so sorry to hear this news. Peter and I send our love and prayers for you and Billy to find peace in your memories. He was a lovely man.

Libby Rice - July 17, 2025 at 04:50 PM



“ Denny And Judy Hickman lit a candle in memory of Robert Charles Gordon



Denny and Judy Hickman - July 17, 2025 at 10:15 AM

TS

“ We are so very sorry to learn of your loss.
Sending our deepest condolences, Todd and
Diane Smith



Todd and Diane Smith - July 17, 2025 at 08:39 AM

DW

“ To Sharon, my prayers & condolences to you
and the Family 🙏🥹🤔. I will cherish the
many memories of the times I spent being in
Bob's presence from working with him at
KCHS to the many KCTA/KCESPA Crab
feasts & EOY Socials, Retirement parties and hanging out at your
house. He was a Gentle Giant of a man. May GOD give you
Strength. Comfort & Peace during this difficult time 🕊️❤️.



Dorvonda Warren - July 17, 2025 at 06:00 AM

BE

“ Sharon, thinking of you and your family. Mr.
Gordon was a great man. So sorry for your
loss.
Betty Jo (States) Embert



Betty Jo Embert - July 16, 2025 at 08:47 PM

JS

“ *Jeanette Stubbs lit a candle in memory of Robert Charles Gordon*



Jeanette stubbs - July 16, 2025 at 10:44 AM

DW

“ *Sharon & Billy, you are in our thoughts and prayers. We'll always remember Bob as a big man, with a big heart that was the 1st to welcome us to PTP. Great memories of fishing from your dock with the two boys, with Bob giving us tips on fishing and crabbing.*

Dawn Willey - July 16, 2025 at 08:33 AM



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July 16, 2025 at 08:27 AM

RJ

“ Mrs. Sharon and Billy, my thoughts and prayers are with you in the upcoming days. Mr. Bob was a wonderful, sweet man with the biggest and brightest smile. It was certainly an honor to spend his last days with him and to meet the both of you. Remember all the wonderful memories.

Rita Jackson - July 15, 2025 at 09:04 PM

RM

“ Robin Merchant lit a candle in memory of Robert Charles Gordon



Robin Merchant - July 15, 2025 at 06:55 PM

SV

“ My Sincere Condolences! Mr Gordon was a Great Teacher and Influence in my High School years.



Sam Voshell - July 15, 2025 at 06:40 PM

GK

“ Saddened to learn of your loss. Hoping you will find comfort with your memories. Continue to speak his name and tell his story, he will always be with you.



Gretchen Kohl - July 15, 2025 at 05:56 PM

J(

“ June Ogden (Gordon) lit a candle in memory of Robert Charles Gordon



June Ogden (Gordon) - July 15, 2025 at 03:25 PM

GS

“ My condolences to the family.



George Short - July 15, 2025 at 09:58 AM

CS

“ Carol Smith lit a candle in memory of Robert Charles Gordon



Carol Smith - July 15, 2025 at 08:17 AM

SC

“ Sue Coleman lit a candle in memory of Robert Charles Gordon



Sue Coleman - July 15, 2025 at 07:27 AM

DJ

“ Sharon and Billy please know you are in my prayers and you have my deepest sympathy.



Denise Jones - July 14, 2025 at 07:31 PM

KM

“ Kim And Ted McSorley lit a candle in memory of Robert Charles Gordon



Kim and Ted McSorley - July 14, 2025 at 07:01 PM

GC

“ Greg And Kathy Clark lit a candle in memory of Robert Charles Gordon



Greg and Kathy Clark - July 14, 2025 at 05:05 PM

JL

“ John M Larrimore lit a candle in memory of Robert Charles Gordon



John M Larrimore - July 14, 2025 at 04:21 PM

DT

“ *David Thompson lit a candle in memory of Robert Charles Gordon*



David Thompson - July 14, 2025 at 03:33 PM