



## Robert Van Schaik

November 13, 1930 - August 7, 2026

Robert Van Schaik went home to be with his Lord and Savior on August 7th, 2026. He was affectionately known as Bob, Dad, Poppie, Mr. V and V'ster, a man of remarkable faith, dedication, integrity, and warmth, has lived a life that has touched the hearts of many. Born on November 13, 1930, in Clifton, NJ, Bob was the beloved son of Cornelius and Marie Van Schaik. He grew up alongside his dear siblings, Joyce Trice and Richard Van Schaik, who both predeceased him.

Bob's journey through life was marked by a steadfast commitment to his family, his work, and his community. A graduate of Preston High School in 1947, he served in the ROTC and received a soccer scholarship to attend Johns Hopkins University. After his studies, he then began a lifelong career in the insurance industry.

In his professional life, he achieved a noteworthy milestone, being recognized by the Governor of Maryland in 2022 for holding the longest insurance license in the state, a remarkable 70 years. His career as an insurance agent was not only a profession but a passion. He began his solo agency, demonstrating entrepreneurial spirit and dedication to his clients. Even in his later years, Bob's commitment to his work was unwavering, as he drove to his office every day until 2024, often remarking that he had the best attendance in the office!

Bob's life was rich with interests and hobbies that reflected his unique personality. He was a known history buff who had a profound love for miniature train sets, Model T Fords, original Dutch art, antiques and auctions, often embarking on peach and apple runs. He cherished summer trips to Maine, RV trips along the east coast and boating weekends on the Chesapeake Bay. These diverse passions resulted in such a well-rounded knowledge that Robert was known to converse with just about anyone on any subject. This quest brought joy and adventure into his life, shared with those he loved.

His legacy is deeply rooted in his family. He is survived by his devoted wife, Nancy Norman Van Schaik, and a large, loving family that includes Dan Van Schaik (Holly) of Texas, Sandy McFadden (David) of Silver Spring, MD, Suzanne Glocker (Gary) of Hagerstown, MD, Terese Schaubert (Ed) of Cambridge, MD, David Van Schaik (Patty) of Preston, MD, Sharie Tubman of Ocean Pines, MD, Rob Van Schaik of Cambridge, MD, Jen Benhoff (Dave) of Florida, Larry Woolford, Jr. (deceased), Paul Norman (deceased) (Kristine) MD, Rachel Norman (deceased), and Abigail Xiao Ying Van Schaik (Lia) of MD. His legacy extends through his 21 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren, who will carry forward his values and love.

Bob's life was also enriched by his active participation in his church community, where he was known for his kindness and generosity. He served as President of the Emmanuel Lutheran Church for many years and helped to renovate and maintain the property.

Robert Van Schaik's life has been a testament to dedication and love, leaving an indelible mark on all who had the privilege of knowing him. His memory will be cherished, and his legacy will continue to inspire future generations.

The family will receive guests and friends on Monday, August 17, 2026, from 3pm until 6pm at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 7215 Ocean Gateway, Easton,

MD. A funeral service will be held on Tuesday, August 18, 2026, at 10:30am at St. Marks Methodist Church, 100 Peachblossom Rd, Easton, MD. Interment will immediately follow at Oxford Cemetery

In honor of his life, the family kindly suggests that donations be made to Turning Point Ministries or a charity of your choice, reflecting his spirit of giving and compassion.

# Cemetery Details

## Oxford Cemetery

Oxford Cemetery Rd  
Oxford, MD 21654

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **17**. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (est)

Immanuel Lutheran Church  
7215 Ocean Gateway  
Easton, MD 21601-4605  
(410) 822-5665

## Funeral

AUG **18**. 10:30 AM (est)

St. Mark's United Methodist Church  
100 Peachblossom Rd.  
Easton, MD 21601  
(410) 822-0001

## Graveside

AUG **18**. 12:30 PM (est)

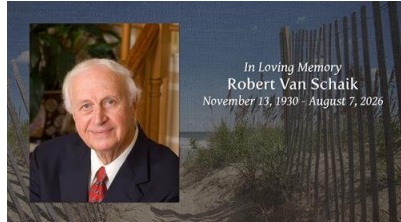
Oxford Cemetery  
Oxford Cemetery Rd  
Oxford, MD 21654



# Tribute Wall



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



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**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - August 20 at 09:10 AM



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Robert Van Schaik*



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**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - August 13 at 10:14 AM

MR

“ *Maureen J Rogers lit a candle in memory of Robert Van Schaik*



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**Maureen J Rogers** - August 23 at 09:13 PM

MM

“ Mike And Pattie Murphy lit a candle in memory of Robert Van Schaik



Mike and Pattie Murphy - August 17 at 05:15 PM

LC

“ Love, Scott and Lisa Cronshaw planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert Van Schaik.

Love, Scott and Lisa Cronshaw - August 16 at 07:11 PM

LC

“ Love, Scott and Lisa Cronshaw purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Robert Van Schaik.



Love, Scott and Lisa Cronshaw - August 16 at 07:11 PM

CC

“ Cathy Coulbourne Collins lit a candle in memory of Robert Van Schaik



Cathy Coulbourne Collins - August 15 at 11:12 PM

LC

“ Bob was a wonderful man and great cousin. So thankful to be a "Little Cousin." He always made me smile. So thankful I will see him again in heaven. May all of Bob's family be comforted by our Lord and Savior. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. Love to all.  
Cousin Linda Cerrina

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**LINDA J CERRINA** - August 15 at 04:45 PM

MD

“ Martha & Larry Dail purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Robert Van Schaik.



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**Martha & Larry Dail** - August 15 at 12:13 PM

MM

“ An absolutely wonderful gentleman. He was so helpful when we signed up for Crop Insurance many years ago...RIP

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**Mike Mielke** - August 14 at 07:55 AM

YF

“ Your Glocker Group Realty Results family purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Robert Van Schaik.



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**Your Glocker Group Realty Results family** - August 13 at 04:31 PM

YF

“ Your Glocker Group Realty Results family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert Van Schaik.

Your Glocker Group Realty Results family - August 13 at 04:31 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Robert Van Schaik.



August 13 at 12:59 PM



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

August 13 at 11:07 AM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert Van Schaik.



August 13 at 11:07 AM

SP

“ So proud to be part of the Schaubert-VanSchaik office family. I will always remember the bright and wonderful good morning chats with Mr. V will miss him deeply. Praying for all the family. Shirley Polly

Shirley Polly - August 13 at 09:18 AM

SJ

“ Shirley Johnson lit a candle in memory of Robert Van Schaik



Shirley Johnson - August 12 at 08:30 PM

TM

“ Terry McQuay lit a candle in memory of Robert Van Schaik



Terry McQuay - August 12 at 02:06 PM

JC

“ Mr v. was and is a very special person ! I'm so thankful to have been part of his journey! Always a smile and those eye brows ! Man I'm gonna miss you Mr v! You were such a wonderful man who cared so much about everyone! You really made a huge difference in my life Mr v ! I'm gonna miss you so much ! But I know your always with the ones you love !



Till we meet again my friend !

Rest easy ! 🙏📏📏

Jennifer Cummings - August 12 at 06:50 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert Van Schaik.*



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August 11 at 12:57 PM



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

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August 11 at 12:57 PM



“ *Such a sweet man... I have enjoyed working with Mr. V, and several family members, for close to 30 years. Rest easy, Mr. V, and much love to the family.*

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**Donna Clem** - August 11 at 11:55 AM



“ *I have so many memories of "Uncle Bob" growing up.....time spent at his house with his kids, going to church together.....what a kind hearted man he was. I send my love and sympathy to all the children and their families. He is now healed and in the presence of our Lord.*

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**Sandi (Lord) Ingle** - August 11 at 07:41 AM

SM

“ So sorry to the family for your loss. Prayers for healing and hugs to all. Love Staci and Alexandra.



Staci Morris - August 10 at 08:55 PM

HS

“ Hugh And Joanne Smith lit a candle in memory of Robert Van Schaik



Hugh and Joanne Smith - August 10 at 07:23 PM

AD

“ Amy And Donnie Dulin lit a candle in memory of Robert Van Schaik



Amy and Donnie Dulin - August 10 at 02:24 PM

GB

“ Our thoughts and prayers to all of the family!  
🙏 Mr Van Schaik was one of the nicest people you could meet. RIP, Mr Van Schaik.



George & Cathy Ball

George and Cathy Ball - August 09 at 10:23 AM



MT

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Sending hugs and prayers for peace.



Marsha Tull - August 08 at 10:32 PM

PT

“ My heartfelt condolences to all of Mr. VanSchaik's family. He was such a nice man, and I am glad I had the opportunity to know him. Sending prayers to all. 🙏🙏



Penny Trice - August 08 at 08:29 PM

AC

“ Mr. V was the kindest gentlest man I have met. So glad I had the opportunity to know him and become part of the Schauber Van Schaik family. There will definitely be a big void in my life without him. Until we meet again.



Annmarie Cole - August 08 at 03:30 PM

PM

“ *An amazing guy has gained his wings  
Always remember our talks of getting me a  
parking space at the office even though I  
didn't work there. His care and sense of  
humor was so him*

*He was a dad to my sister Denise who worked beside him for her  
entire life and still is supporting his dream company*

*Gos bless you all*

*A really intelligent man that always smiled and had something  
special to share*



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**Pamela Morgan** - August 08 at 07:36 AM

BT

“ *Betsy Dulin Truitt lit a candle in memory of  
Robert Van Schaik*



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**Betsy Dulin Truitt** - August 08 at 05:54 AM



“ *Tim & Laura Bishop lit a candle in memory of  
Robert Van Schaik*



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**Tim & Laura Bishop** - August 07 at 06:10 PM



*Tim and I are so sorry to hear of Mr. Van Schaik. He was my agent for  
years, back in the 70's. Just always so polite and helpful. Even when  
my girls were Girl Scouts, he always bought cookies from both girls.  
RIP Mr. Van Schaik.*

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**Tim & Laura Bishop** - August 08 at 04:49 PM

DV

“ Dale and I are so sad but so glad he was in our lives. We will really miss him.



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**Dale and Cathy VanSchaik** - August 07 at 04:41 PM