

Robert Lee “Bob” Blum

Jan. 21, 1938 - Oct. 13, 2022

BLACK EARTH – Robert Lee “Bob” Blum, age 84, of Black Earth, passed away on Thursday, Oct. 13, 2022, at Ingleside Manor. He was born on Jan. 21, 1938, in Monticello, the son of Frederick Blum and Louise (Roethlisberger) Blum. Bob joined his loving partner, Amelia “Milly” Kelter, who preceded him in death. Bob and Milly had their first date on New Year’s Eve 1990 and shared 25 years together.

Bob owned and operated a trucking business for over 40 years, retiring in 2010. He had countless trucking stories to share from the miles traveled and had an indelible road map of the United States in his head.

Bob was an avid woodworker and enjoyed working on projects for friends and family. He also loved a good Packers or card game. He and Milly enjoyed feeding the birds, going to the casino, watching Wheel of Fortune every night, and sharing many adventures traveling the country together.

Bob is survived by his children, Robert (Sallie) Blum, Dennis (Marsha) Kelter, Judy Ketelboeter, Cheryl Kelter, and Dale “Crowbait” (Sandy) Kelter; grandchildren, Cody (Mary Kate), Sophia, Dawn, Meagan, Ryan, Diana, Tanya Rose, Donny, Devin, Katarena and Dustin; great-grandchildren, Britton, Emma, Maydson, Presley Rose, Amelia, Ella, Cameron, Emmett, Anika and Brooklyn; and two brothers, Richard (Gladys) Blum and John Blum. He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters, Colleen Gobeli and Lorraine Blum; brother, Frederick Blum; and life partner, Amelia “Milly” Kelter.

A celebration of Bob’s life will be held at AMERICAN LEGION POST NO. 245, 2217 American Legion Drive, Cross Plains, from 12 noon until 4 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 30, 2022.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the UW Carbone Cancer Center (uwhealth.org/philanthropy) or to Agrace HospiceCare (agrace.org/donate). Online condolences may be made at www.gundersonfh.com.

