

## Bob Brink

April 5, 1937 - October 9, 2021

Funeral Services will be 11:00 a.m., Friday, October 15, 2021, at Peace Lutheran Church, Cold Spring for Robert “Bob” Brink, age 84, who died peacefully Saturday at Cherrywood Assisted Living in Richmond, MN, surrounded by the love and comfort of his family.

Friends and family may visit from 4:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Thursday at the Wenner Funeral Home, 151 Oakwood Ave. SE, Richmond. Visitation will continue Friday morning at Peace Lutheran Church one hour prior to the service.

His battle with Alzheimer’s in the recent years showed his strength, courage, and continued fight in facing life challenges which has left an unforgettable impression on all of us.

Bob was born on April 5, 1937, in Platte, SD to John and Nancy (Westerhaus) Brink. Bob met the love of his life, Judy (Atkinson) in junior high school, it was love at first sight. He married Judy on August 29, 1957. Together they raised four boys, Kevin, Randy, Doug, and Rob.

Bob and Judy settled in Cold Spring in 1969 where Bob taught and coached at ROCORI High School for 32 years. Bob’s passion for kids, basketball, and cross country will be remembered by many. One of Bob’s many interests included his love of farming, raising black angus cattle.

He is survived by his loving wife, Judy; children, Kevin (Gladys), Randy (Linda), Doug (Peg), Rob (Crystal); 12 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and all his siblings.

The family would welcome letters containing memories, gratitude's, or tributes to Bob. These will be shared among family, friends and saved for the grandchildren. Please send to [basketballbobbrink@gmail.com](mailto:basketballbobbrink@gmail.com).

In lieu of flowers please consider donating to the Rocori Booster Club to support camp scholarships for all sports.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Boniface Parish Cemetery

Cold Spring, MN 56320

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **14**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Wenner Funeral Home - Richmond  
151 Oakwood Ave. SE  
Richmond, MN 56368

## Visitation

OCT **15**. 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM.

Peace Lutheran Church  
1000 Red River Ave N  
Cold Spring, MN 56320-4558  
(320) 685-7656

## Funeral Services

OCT **15**. 11:00 AM.

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Bob Brink*

January 29, 2023 at 09:26 AM



“ *Tom and I want to extend our deepest sympathies to Judy and the Brink family. One of my fondest memories was learning from Tom about Bob and Judy taking in a young man to live with them when he needed a place. Tom was working with juveniles in the court system at the time. The young man went on to play basketball for Bob. Both Bob and Judy helped him turn his life around. ❤️*

*I well remember my first stint at lunchroom duty at ROCORI when a group of senior boys left their trays at the table and were making freshmen clear them. When I confronted the much bigger, much taller seniors, a few of them rudely walked away. When I found out they were basketball players, I spoke to Bob. He called them together and made them apologize to me. Bob was more than their coach; he was their role model. He gave so many students life's lessons on being conscientious and respectful.*

*Sending much love from Tallahassee, Florida,  
Tom Kritzeck and Sue Tabaka-Kritzeck*

**Susan Tabaka-Kritzeck** - October 17, 2021 at 10:44 PM



“ *Bob nicknamed me “little lex” Russ Weller. Will send some notes sharing what Bob, Marion and I had experienced coaching, as friends. Sincere sympathy for you, Judy & your sons, and their families. God Bless. Russ and Jean Weller*

**Russell Weller** - October 16, 2021 at 12:27 PM

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“ *Optum Team Brink purchased the Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers for the family of Bob Brink.*



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**Optum Team Brink** - October 14, 2021 at 10:36 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bob Brink.*



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October 13, 2021 at 09:58 PM

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“ *Coach Brink - a life well lived. You turned around the basketball program in the 1960s in Tyndall, South Dakota. You were a great mentor and positive influence for your students and players. May you rest in peace.*  
*Ken and Joan Taplett*

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**Ken Taplett** - October 13, 2021 at 01:52 PM

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“ *Brink family members. We are sad to hear of Coach Bob's passing. May you find peace in this time of sorrow. May Christ the Resurrection and life, send comfort to your heart. Coach Bob loved serving others in his coaching and teaching; he was so gifted for his chosen profession. Coach Bob was a friend to all and will be missed and never forgotten. May he be with God in eternal life. Amen*

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*Have a blessed and fruitful day!*

*Brad Isberner  
Professor Emeritus*

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**Brad Isberner** - October 13, 2021 at 10:52 AM



“ *White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Bob Brink.*



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October 13, 2021 at 06:20 AM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Bob Brink.*



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October 12, 2021 at 10:59 PM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Bob Brink.*



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October 12, 2021 at 10:14 PM



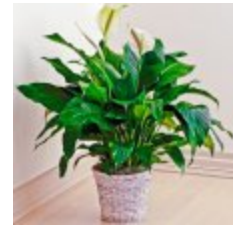
“ *Our sympathy to the Brink Family! I always respected Bob and the differences he made in so many young men, and people in general, on and off the court! God bless his memory and the Brink Family!*

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**Jeff & Marlene Bertram** - October 12, 2021 at 06:00 PM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Bob Brink.*



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October 12, 2021 at 12:31 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Judy, and your wonderful family with the loss of Bob. All of you have our most sincere sympathies. Bob gave our community so many treasured memories. We always admired Bob and his family and Bob's love for coaching. In sympathy, Steve and Vicki DiBrito*

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**Steve and Vicki DiBrito** - October 12, 2021 at 11:53 AM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Bob Brink.*



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October 12, 2021 at 09:41 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathy to the Brink Family on the passing of Bob! We deeply respected Bob and were blessed to be in his company and Team members who he molded over his many years as a coach. He taught many life lessons that went far beyond the basketball court! Gracious and humble, two characteristics many earn to have! God bless his memory and all the impact he made during his life!*

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**Jeff & Marlene Bertram** - October 12, 2021 at 09:10 AM



“ *Judy, Rob, Doug, Randy, & Kevin my sincere condolences go out to and to all your families. Bob was a great man who touched a lot of people in our community and beyond. I would not be the person I am today without his dedication and support God rest his soul and I wish all of you peace in knowing how great of a man Bob was, he will be missed!*



*Lynn & Tim Feldhege*

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**Tim Feldhege** - October 12, 2021 at 07:27 AM



“ *Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Bob Brink.*



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October 11, 2021 at 08:44 PM



“ *Thoughts and prayers to Judy and Family, many memories of Bob going all the way back to home room with him for four years in high school.*

*Tom & Carol Ramler*

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**Tom Ramler** - October 11, 2021 at 08:01 PM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Bob Brink.*



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October 11, 2021 at 07:17 PM

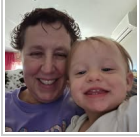


“ *So sorry to hear of Bob's passing. Praying for God's comfort for each of you.*

*Patsy Pearson*

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**Patsy Pearson** - October 11, 2021 at 06:10 PM



“ *Thoughts and Prayers to the family!! Bob was my homeroom teacher back when I was in high school at Rocori. He was the best always there to give advice and to tease you when you did something funny. Michelle Meier*

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**Michelle Meier** - October 11, 2021 at 03:48 PM