



## Tex Frederic Wilcox

July 7, 1939 - October 11, 2014

Tex Frederic Wilcox, age 75 of Merrillville, passed away October 11, 2014. Tex was a graduate of Buchanan High School, Buchanan, MI, Class of 1957 where he lettered in football. He served in the US Army. He was employed as an Insurance Claim Adjustor for 50 years. Tex loved to golf and had a hole in one on August 15, 2014 at Turkey Creek. He was a private pilot and loved to fly. Tex was preceded in death by his sister, Lynn Schroeder. He is survived by his wife of 27 years, Nancy J. (nee Weinand) Wilcox; children- Jon Wilcox of Livodia, MI; Catherine (Charlie II) Tortorete of St. Simons Island, GA, Kurt (Ana) Wilcox of Libertyville, IL, Kevin (Angie) Scurlock of Schererville, Michelle (Chris) Wolff of Rome City, IN; 7 grandchildren-Charlie III, Mary, Anthony, Kosta, Yanni, Breanna and Travis. Friends may visit with Tex's family Friday, October 17, 2014 from 4-6 pm prior to the Memorial Service at 6 pm, Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, IN. [www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 17. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I have quite a few & varied memories of Tex as I first met him when he was a little boy. First, I was taken by the name "Tex" as it was a name common to my cowboy heroes. Also, I was an admirer of his Dad-Phay who flew airplanes and jumped parachute! Phay gave some of us a ride in a biplane- WOW! That made me a kind of hero to some of my country school friends! I next started e-mailing Tex after we got connected not too long ago & he forwarded quite a few messages to me. He and I agreed politically too. I was a first cousin of his Dad-Phay- so you know how we were related. I will miss him and I am sure you will too! May God Bless you as you go through these tough times! Richard Wilcox & Family

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Richard Wilcox - October 16, 2014 at 08:16 PM

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“ I have a memory to share - one that shows Tex's ability to endure pain: I lived across from Buchanan High and we often played football in my back yard during lunch break. Tex made a great catch and was blasting down the sidelines at a speed only Tex could run. He ran headfirst into our walnut tree and the collision of head vs tree made a sound similar to a gunshot. He went down, shook his head and resumed play. It sounds like Tex maintained this toughness through his last days.

From,

Dan Lauver ( A BHS '57 grad now living in Billings, MT)

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Dan Lauver - October 13, 2014 at 03:28 PM

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*Tex has been one of the highlights of our life in Oak Park. He, Jon, Catherine and Kurt. What a group. We palled around with the family for many years. Though thick and thin Tex was our man. We were so happy with he married Nancy and had the life he deserved. He was a good man. They made a wonderful couple. Our prayers and love go our to the family. He is going to be missed.*

*From, Suzanne, Louis, Christopher, Jennifer and James*

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**suzanne wodka** - October 14, 2014 at 02:10 PM