



## Robert Emmett Young

June 15, 1948 - December 18, 2019

Robert Emmett Young, 71, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri died Wednesday, December 18, 2019 at his home.

He was born June 15, 1948 in St. Catherines, Canada to Emmett Sylvester and Marion Elizabeth Bishop Young.

He served in the Marines in Vietnam and was a lifetime member of the VFW.

He was a dedicated Eagle Scout as a child. He loved the freedom of being an avid bike rider. If you knew Bob, he was a stranger to no one striking up conversation with anyone. His life was wrapped around his kids and grandkids and he always left us with "God Bless You".

Survivors include his daughter, Chelsea (John) Gilman; two sons, Zachary Young and Nicholas Young; one brother, Bryan (Rhonda) Young; five grandchildren, Jaidyn Young, Gunner Gilman, Levi Gilman, Marley Gilman and Jett Gilman; one nephew, Jordan Young; one niece, Mollie Young; and former spouse, Bonnie Young all of Cape Girardeau.

Visitation will be 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm on Friday, December 27, 2019 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau.

Memorial service will follow at 6:00 pm Friday at the funeral home with the Rev. Blake Tiemann officiating.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Howard Aslinger Foundation.

Online condolences may be made at [www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com](http://www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com).

Ford & Sons Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 27. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel  
1001 N. Mt. Auburn Rd.  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

## Memorial Service

DEC 27. 6:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Bob was a good man and a patriot Vietnam vet. We sat close to each other in school throughout Central junior high and senior high, becoming friends from the start. We were able to restart our relationship after his Marine Corps days and before my Army service, even taking a February trip together to see his aunt and uncle in snowy Canada. A vivid memory was snowmobiling on the frozen St. John's River separating Maine and the Canadian province. We spent a bunch of time on my grandfather's farm outside Cape together and with our buddies in high school and later. I didn't get to see Bob after he went east and I went west as often as I would have liked, but he was a good friend of mine and my family. I hope Bob passed away peacefully, and I'll remember many of the times we shared for as long as I can.

*Rest in peace, old friend!*

*Mike Young*

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**Michael Young** - December 28, 2019 at 05:37 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Robert Emmett Young.



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December 26, 2019 at 10:58 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert Emmett Young.*



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December 24, 2019 at 11:59 AM



“ *Bob Young, Bill Jackson and I (Terry Hopkins) were the original Capaha pool rats. We swam everyday from the time we were 9 or 10 until we were in high school. Bob, Bill and I were on the swim team and swam in the morning at 7:00 am and then went in the afternoon to swim for 1:30 and often stayed until 9:00 pm. I visited him in the DOME house he built south of Cape and was amazed at it. Later in life Bob visited me in Chicago driving his 18 wheeler and stayed overnight. Bob and I ended up wrestling around in the living room, (terrorizing my kids) we were in our 30's then...good times. In the last couple of years I did make efforts to see Bob in his mom's old house on Sylan Lane. Sometimes he was there and many times he was out running around. We had some good talks sitting inside and not talking old times, but talked about what he was doing with his kids and grand kids in the present day. We called him "Hombre" for good reason. At times he could be fearless, no say a word and, like Paul Newman, he just give that little smile and you knew not to cross him! Goodspeed and rest in peace my friend. Aloha my friend, until we meet again. Terry Hopkins*

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**Terry Hopkins** - December 23, 2019 at 07:16 PM