

Robert (Bobby) William Lippire
JANUARY 21, 1955 – AUGUST 22, 2025
FORMER STUDENT OF THE CLASS OF 1975

Robert was born in Omaha, Nebraska, the fifth of eight children. He was predeceased by his parents, Kenneth Lippire and Leona Lippire (Anthone), and his sister Joan Lippire. He is survived by his sisters Sharon Elliot (Gale), Margie Eaker, Kathy Wafer (Paul), Deborah Williams (Kurt), and brothers Peter Lippire (Ginni) and Edward Lippire (Leslie). He is also survived by dozens of cousins, nieces, and nephews who grew up with him and cared for him deeply.

Born deaf and with cerebral palsy, Robert faced numerous challenges growing up, but faced them head-on and never let them prevent him from living a full life and having a long and successful career.

As a child, Robert lived at Nebraska School for the Deaf, where he learned how to read and write, American Sign, and to lip-read, along with other subjects. He would frequently spend weekends, school breaks, and summer vacations with his many cousins and siblings, which brought him great joy. It was always sad to see him depart to return to school.

In his early teens, Robert moved to Riverside, California, with his family and attended California School for the Deaf and received his high school diploma in 1975. He also learned automotive mechanics while attending school, which led him to a successful career as an automotive technician for the County of Riverside for more than 30 years.

The family will be hosting a Mass and celebration of Robert's life at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church at 5250 Central Ave. Riverside, California 92504 on Friday, October 24 at 11:00 a.m.. The mass will be followed by a small reception at the church, hosted by the family.

*(Thank you, Peggy (Skeen) Scherling, for informing NSDAA. We appreciate your sharing this with us.)

