

## Robert "Bob" Kohorst, 60

*Sept. 5, 1946 - Nov. 14, 2006*

**HARLAN** — Robert Lawrence Kohorst was born Sept. 5, 1946, in Carroll, to Leo and Edna (Hinrichsen) Kohorst. He was baptized and confirmed at St. John's Catholic Church in Arcadia, and attended St. John's School during his elementary years. He graduated from Kuemper High School in Carroll with the Class of 1964. After high school, Bob went on to receive his Bachelor's degree in 1968 from Notre Dame University in Indiana. In 1971, he graduated from the University of Iowa School of Law and moved to Harlan where he started practicing law with Fred Louis.



Bob married Kathleen "Kate" Schomer June 10, 1978, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan. Two sons were born to this union, John and Joseph. He was a member of the American Bar Association, the American Trial Lawyer's Association, and the Toastmasters Club. Bob was admitted to the Supreme Court of the United States, the United States Court of Appeals, 7th Circuit, 8th Circuit and the 11th Circuit, the United States Tax Court, The Supreme Court of Iowa, the United States District Court for the Southern District of the State of Iowa and the Northern District of Iowa, and the United States District Court for Nebraska. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus. He was president of the Shelby County Red Cross in 1982. Bob was honored as the National Attorney of the Year for Mapco for the years 1992 and 1993. He taught Religious Education to the senior class at St. Michael's Parish for over 20 years. Bob suffered a stroke Sept. 8, 2006. He died at Immanuel Medical Center Nov. 14, 2006, at age 60 years, two months, and nine days.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife of 28 years, Kathleen Kohorst; his two sons, John and Joseph Kohorst, all of Harlan; his sister, Fay J. Kohorst (Dale) Dreesen of Arcadia; nieces and nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated by Rev. Robert Hoefler and Rev. David Polich Nov. 17, 2006, at St. Michael's Catholic Church. Burial services were held at Pleasant Ridge Cemetery in Lincoln Township with Dale Dreesen, Myron Goodman, Michael Laas, Ken Nielsen, Joe Schomer, Jr. and Stephan Schomer casket bearers. Pauley Jones Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.