

Ya Gotta Love Softballers at The Robson

This report starts out where Liz Malone's left off.

Liz and I were standing in the parking lot talking about the game and how she might bring up prayers for Gene Deputy. Liz said we need Sharon's permission, regardless.

I saw Sharon & Gene's red pick-up and hustled down the parking lot. Sharon said, "of course" they would welcome prayers on Gene's behalf. I hustled back to Liz.

Linda **Caron** – **CaRon** was on Liz's right and I came up on Liz's left, lightly touching her on the shoulder. I told her Sharon was good and turned my thoughts to hustling on home. As I spun away, my right toe kicked Liz's cane right out from under her. I would like to think that Linda and I helped her from not crashing but honestly, Liz put a tiger grip on us to keep from hitting her knees and gave me that look, first a "I'm so embarrassed and I want to kick your butt." Then all calmed down, she stood up and gave me that teacher-like, "I love you Johnny even though you seem to be at the center of so many accidents."

Sharon said today that indeed prayers matter and that Gene is doing better. Early in the week his kidneys seemed to be in shut down mode but he is now home and his kidneys are functioning. Praise God who surely looked over Gene. Continued prayers are welcomed.

Red played Gray Wednesday night.

Rocky Dudley is one of everybody's favorite coaches and a super guy. He coaches the Red, Eagle Eye Care, sponsored by Doctors' Eric and Elaine.

Coco Ondina brought the Gray, State Farm (Justin), team hot off a Sunday, Mothers' Day, practice of hitting balls off the tee. Well, it paid off.

We saw pitchers Tom Doty, Bob Kuhfuss and Gary Warrick all work the corners well.

I remember, with great relief and admiration; George Keller hauling in some line shots to left.

We kept hearing Steve Ward's name popping up with his play in right center.

We knew Louis Berthold was in the stands.

Kenny Kamrath pulled a "Crazy Leg"; catching a deep fly while on his knees.

Ed Cawley hit a home run.

Hupp was Hupp and so was Coco.

Pat Snider was a superb 'stopper' at 3rd base.

Steve Pratt umpired home plate; Mick Calverley had first and John Basse, third.

We heard the melodious tones of Peter Day on the mic, Marti Conley had the book and Kirk Douglas worked the scoreboard.

Everyone hit well Wednesday and more than a few had big nights:

Scooter Wilson went 2 for 3 with a triple and RBI.

Jim Hupp was 3 for 4 with an RBI.

Pitcher Gary Warrick batted 3 for 4 with an RBI.

Steve Ward had a home run, hit in 3 RBIs and got 2 hits.

Kenny Kamrath knocked in 4 RBIs with two doubles.

Ron Schwertner was perfect at the plate.

Carol & Jeff Rumberger were a combined 8 hits for 8 at bats. Carol's almost that perfect on the entire year of batting.

Nancy Rogus was a perfect 3 hits for 3 at bats right up the middle.

Coach Rocky was a perfect 3 for 3 with 2 RBIs.

Tracey Kucharski was another force at the plate getting 2 hits and 2 RBIs

Super Sub, Pat 'Duke' Snider, was a perfect 3 for 3 with 2 triples and 2 RBIs

Ed Cawley got his home run and another hit.

Henry Moore didn't miss a beat, getting 3 hits.

Kuhfuss complemented his pitching with 2 hits and an RBI.

Gray 21 – Red 10

Johnny B