



Robert Gregory Wolf

November 6, 1932 - June 3, 2021

Robert Gregory Wolf passed away on Thursday, June 3, 2021, in Athens, Alabama. He was born in Oklahoma City on November 6, 1932, to Felix Gregory Wolf and Martha Florence Randall Wolf. The second child and first son, he was born to the young couple during the early years of the depression of the 30s. The family lived in the home built by Felix in 1929 for his soon-to-be wife, Martha. What the family lacked in material wealth was more than compensated by the love, close-knit family bonds, and deep faith.

Bob, one of seven children, attended school at St. Joseph Catholic School where he excelled in his studies, played basketball, and graduated from high school in 1950. He was always considered a bit of a challenge by his parents as schoolwork, according to his mother, was not challenging enough for the bright student with an incredible memory and a talent for math and science. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree from Central State University (now the University of Central Oklahoma). In November of 1954, he married Margaret Elaine Dixon at St. Francis of Assisi in Oklahoma City. A few months later he joined the Army, and he and his wife moved to New York. Where his daughter, Linda, was born in July 1955. As his Army service required several relocations, his wife and daughter returned to Marge's hometown of Raton, New Mexico, to temporarily stay with her parents.

Bob spent part of his military career stationed at the Redstone Arsenal in

Huntsville, Alabama, where he worked on certain military defense projects and research. After his service he was recruited by and went to work for the Raytheon Corporation, as they were connected with the field in which he had been working during his Army service. He and his wife, Marge, moved to El Paso, Texas where they made their home and raised their three children, Linda Joyce, Robert Gregory, and Kimberly Diane. He spent his entire career working for Raytheon and eventually became an executive with the company, heading their El Paso division. While in El Paso, Bob also formed a close bond with his younger brother, Richard, who spent his career in the Army working in the same defense field involving surface-to-air missiles.

Following the sudden and unexpected death in 1983 of his wife, Marge, he transferred to head the Raytheon division in Huntsville, Alabama. There he met and married Peggy Ruth Ferguson in 1986. After his retirement from Raytheon, Bob and Peggy subsequently moved back to his hometown of Oklahoma City. He completed his teaching certificate and became a substitute teacher of advanced mathematics for the Oklahoma City Public School system. They remained in Oklahoma City until 2015. At that time, he decided to move back to Alabama to ensure that his wife, Peggy, would be located near her family should he precede her in death.

Throughout the many challenges in his life - rearing three children, the unexpected loss of his first wife, the loss of both parents and two sisters, and issues of failing health in later life - Bob was sustained by his strong Catholic faith. Throughout his adult life he attended daily Mass whenever work circumstance and health permitted. His children can recount to the very end of his life how he encouraged them to remember Jesus Christ was their Lord and Savior.

Bob is survived by his wife, Peggy; and his children Linda Wolf, of Dallas, Robert Gregory Wolf, Jr. (Tina) of Tuscon, Az., Kimberly Diane Gauthier (Ron)

of Tucson, Az.; and siblings Theresa Furlong (Tom) of OKC, Janet Wolf, of OKC, Richard Wolf of El Paso, and Sharon Lafferty (Jim) of Mustang, OK. He is also survived by grandchildren Gregory Scott Wolf (Ashlee) of Tucson, Jessica Marie Westmoreland (Brandon) of Tucson, Pamela Gauthier of Tucson, Danielle Gauthier of Flagstaff, Az., Rebecca Gauthier, Joseph Gauthier, and Michaela Copeland (McKane), all of Tucson. He is also survived by great-grandchildren Addison and Jack Westmoreland, and Austin Wolf, all of Tucson.

Bob will be deeply missed by his family who will no longer be regaled by his wit and humor and his strong, sometimes passionate opinions of world and national events. His life was model of constancy, faith, and commitment.

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“Bob” was the kind of man, that I long to be. I met him in Huntsville 35 years ago, and I hung on to every word he said. He was intelligent, successful, generous to a fault, and he always did the right thing. Always. He was a true Christian and I am grateful that he was in my life for the few years that I knew him. Rest In Peace, Mr. Wolf. I still owe you one.

Randy Hill - September 22, 2021 at 07:27 PM

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“Several years since I've enjoyed our discussions on a political level. Bob, was always welcoming & engaging. I offer you and family my deepest sympathy. ~Jill Burhans.

Jill - June 05, 2021 at 07:14 PM