



Robert Stillwagon

November 9, 1933 - June 1, 2013

Our loving father and dedicated husband to his wife Joan (57 years of marriage) just recently passed-away. We will never forget his loving personality, his stories, and his humorous and charming disposition. He would say, "Don't get bitter just reconsider." He was a family man and always put others first. He built in his children (Lisa, Joan, Bob) precious memories that will never fade away such as picnics at the beach, great birthday parties, bean bag golf, swim tag, and always supported our various interests. He was a sharp design engineer for IBM. His five grandsons (David, Jonathan, Michael, Robert, Richard) always enjoyed their special outings with him. He finally was blessed with a great granddaughter - Miranda Rose. He was an avid supporter and member of the Freemasons, Boy Scouts of America, and Toastmasters. He will be truly missed!

Visitation will be held on Monday, June 17, from 4-8pm at Fremont Memorial Chapel, 3723 Peralta Blvd., Fremont, CA 94536. Chapel Service will begin on Tuesday, June 18, 11am at the mortuary. Inurnment at Union Dale Cemetery in Pittsburg, PA.

Tribute Wall



“ 75 files added to the album Memories Album



Fremont Memorial Chapel - January 06, 2014 at 05:40 PM

KM

“ *I have many great memories of Bob at Eastern Star events. Always with a genuine smile to show that he was glad to see you. He had so much joy and mischievousness to share with the world. I feel lucky that I was able to be a part of his world.*

Kirsten Madden - July 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ *Bob was one of my uncles by marriage. I recall his love of photography and he was always devoted to wife and family. Rest in peace*

Scott Miller - June 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

“ As the oldest child and daughter of Robert & Joan Stillwagon's 3 grown-up children, I have a lot of fond memories of my Dad.

Dad was a very smart man. He had a great sense of humor; always enjoyed funny moments with our family, watching comedy shows & movies. Dad grew up listening to radio shows and watching movies in the theaters. That's how Dad came to appreciate drama, comedy, music, dancing, and sports. Plus reading books and newspaper articles.

Dad learned how to dance as a boy; he later taught ballroom dancing at an Arthur Miller Dance Studio in Pittsburgh, PA after he married my Mom.

Dad got his love for the game of golf while working as a golf caddy at Highland Country Club in Pittsburgh, from Jr High School up to his first year in College. The money Dad made from being a golf caddy paid for his Boy Scout activities.

Dad would tell me stories about his family and relatives, while he was growing up. The various activities he did while growing up. The valuable advice Dad was given by his drafting instructors, that paved the way to his life-long career in drafting & designing with IBM and other companies.

I remember going trick or treating with my Dad during my first Halloween in a big apt building in Pittsburgh. One of the neighbors gave Dad a Carmel apple, which he ate while we were trick or treating. Another neighbor gave my Dad a drink. There were a lot of kids going trick or treating in the Apt Building. When we got back home to our apt, Dad was full from drinking and snacking. While we were trick or treating, Mom made a batch of Carmel Apples for us. Dad didn't feel like eating another Carmel Apple, which made Mom very annoyed with him for eating the neighbor's Carmel apple instead of her Carmel apple.

I remember Dad taking me to my hearing aid appointments while growing up. Dad & Mom would encourage me to be strong and independent, don't let my hearing disability hold me back from doing different activities, like oil painting classes in the 5th grade, a science fair project in the 4th grade, Girl Scout, gymnastic, and Job Daughter.

Dad helped me master the art of public speaking as an Officer when I was in Job's Daughters, Bethel 206 in Los Gatos, CA. That speaking skill lead the path to being Adah for my parent's term as Worthy Matron and Patron in Eastern Star, Los Gatos Chapter #128 in 1980.

There are many more wonderful memories of Dad what did for me in my mind; it would take too long to list everything.

I thank God for his mercy, for giving us hope that Dad will make it to Heaven! Praise the Lord! In closing, I want to share the poem about Dad that I read out loud at his funeral service last Tuesday, on June 18,2013.

"The Chance"

Dad, you passed away on Saturday, June 1, 2013 at 2:10 AM.

It was painful watching and hearing you decline & suffer from Dementia the last two years.

February was the last time you talked and walked normally.

You have been suffering in pain the last four months.

God knew your pain & sufferings; it was time for you to go.

I was hoping you would make it to Father's Day.

I was also hoping you would make it to your 80th Birthday.

You were gone before I knew it.

I didn't get to see you before left.

Didn't get to say my good-by,

Didn't get to hug you and kiss you good night.

Didn't get to tell you how proud I was to have you as my Dad,

Didn't get to tell you how sorry I was for being stupid sometimes,

Didn't get to tell you that I forgave you for the times you made me mad.

I won't get the chances to tell you "Happy Father's Day" and "Happy Birthday".

I won't get the chance to walk-up the aisle with you at my future wedding;

And I won't get the chance to say "I love you" one more time.

I wish I could have those chances, but I am glad that I had the chance of having a wonderful Dad like you.

Thank you, Dad!

Lisa Stillwagon - June 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ This message is to convey my deep love for my dad. He always made everything special when he planned any event in my growing-up years. I am grateful that God allowed me to take care of him these last few years. I will miss those times when I would go on long walks with him around some of the parks in Fremont. We were always shopping together and it was usually at Target or New Park Mall, and then our venture ended at a restaurant such as the Classic 50 Diner or Bronco Billy Pizza or the Original Pancake House besides the normal chain restaurants. He would attend church with us and the last time he was physically able to go was February 24th of this year. Then the progression of dementia came at lightning speed unfortunately.

Thanking God for blessing his funeral services! He is now resting with the Lord Jesus Christ, smile.

LOVE,

His daughter Joan Emily

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Joan Baptist - June 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ Robert Stillwagon

Marvin & Corinne Eisenbraun - June 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RI

“ As a father, he was a giving and loving man, with many talents and hobbies, who dedicated his life to many organizations, you will be missed.

robert stillwagon II - June 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“ I have enjoyed my friendship with the Stillwagons for almost half a century. I'll miss Bob's jovial personality.

Kathy Jeske - June 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM

NK

“ All of us in Candlelight Court, Order of the Amaranth, loved Sir Knight Bob. He's been missed for a long time, and now we want you to know that we have lost a wonderful member and friend. We send our thoughts and prayers to all the Stillwagon family and friends. He'll remain "Sweet in our Memory."

Nancy (Duba) Kell - June 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM