



Robert Edmund Gribben

November 16, 1932 - June 21, 2021

Robert (Bob) Edmund Gribben, 88, passed away peacefully on June 21, 2021 in Orlando, FL. He was born in Wheeling, WV on November 16, 1932, the son of the late Walter Joseph Gribben and Nellie Marie (Taffe) Gribben.

Bob loved his family and he is survived by his loving wife of 64 years, Dolores (Ebbert) Gribben, his sons Rob Gribben and wife, Donna, of Christiansburg, VA, Tom Gribben and wife, Liz, of Orlando, FL, and Tim Gribben of Arlington, VA. His grandchildren Joshua, Daniel, Brian, Nicole, Zachary, and many nieces and nephews. His brother Larry Gribben and wife, Joan, of Tridelfphia, WV. He was preceded in death by three brothers and two sisters.

Bob graduated from West Virginia University and earned a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering. After a long career that brought him to NJ, MD, WV, and VA, he retired in 1995 from Celanese located in Narrows, VA.

He was an active member of the Catholic Church, and spent many years of service as a cantor, Eucharistic minister, and member of parish councils. He was also a former Grand Knight of the Father Edward Fox Council of Blacksburg, VA. Bob was active in theater having acted and directed several community plays. He also received accolades for his one-man performance of Harry Truman in "Give 'Em Hell Harry", which he reprised multiple times to generate money for charities.

Bob was awarded the 2005 Virginia's Governor's Community Service and Volunteerism Award in recognition of his many hours helping other seniors navigate the complicated, confusing process of obtaining insurance benefits through which he helped many individuals save thousands of dollars.

The family will celebrate his life with a funeral mass at 11 a.m. on Saturday, July 31, at St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Church in Orlando, FL. Future interment will be in Mt Calvary Cemetery, Wheeling, WV.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation (crohnscolitsfoundation.org). Online condolences may be expressed to the family at www.acommunityfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall

GW

“ *My deepest sympathy to the family. Bob interviewed me when I was hired at Celanese in 1989 and I have some great memories of Bob.*
Greg Whitlock

Greg Whitlock - July 18, 2021 at 10:16 AM

RL

“ *I was so sorry to read in the paper today of Bob's passing. Condolences to Dolores and family. I have many memories of Bob during his career at Celanese and after retirement.*
Richard Langford - Christiansburg VA

Richard Langford - July 11, 2021 at 01:49 PM

TG

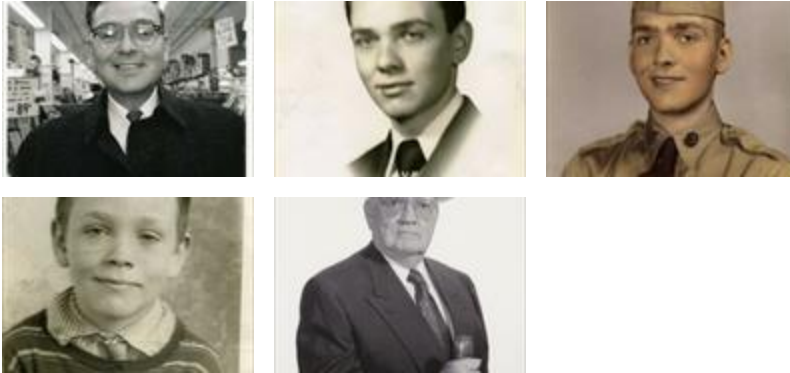
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Tim Gribben - July 10, 2021 at 03:22 PM

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Tim Gribben - July 08, 2021 at 12:10 AM



Sheila Sandhagen

I am extremely sorry for your loss - you are all in my thoughts and prayers. Peace, Sheila Sandhagen

Sheila Sandhagen - July 08, 2021 at 10:31 AM

KA

“ *To the family, we here at The Bridge are grateful and thankful for the opportunity to get to know Bob or "Mr. G" but for the pleasure of serving him. Our hearts are sad but the memories of him are comforting. Thank you for sharing your dad with us.*

Love,

The management, associates and residents.

Katrina - July 03, 2021 at 02:53 PM

DS

“ Today and always, may happy memories bring you peace, comfort, and strength. Deepest sympathies.

Dara Seaman

Dara Seaman - June 29, 2021 at 04:07 PM

ML

“ I would like to extend my sincere condolences to Tim and the rest of the Gribben family. May the wonderful memories you all shared give you strength during this time.

*Warmly,
Madiha Latif.*

Madiha Latif - June 29, 2021 at 03:23 PM

MK

“ I want to extend my deepest condolences to Tim and the rest of the Gribben family. The obituary was such a wonderful tribute to a man who led a full and fulfilling life.

Best wishes,

Maureen Klovers

Maureen Klovers - June 28, 2021 at 03:58 PM

SG

“ Sending prayers and my deepest condolences to the family.

Stan Gladden

Stan Gladden - June 28, 2021 at 12:37 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Robert Edmund Gribben.*



June 22, 2021 at 01:53 PM