



Robert Lee Holly, Sr.

February 3, 1933 - October 13, 2009

Bob Holly, 76, of Canton, GA passed away on October 13, 2009 following a courageous battle with cancer. He passed away at the home of his daughter and son-in-law surrounded by his family and loved ones. Bob was born on February 2, 1933 in Cincinnati, Ohio to William & Mary Holly the youngest of three boys. Bob attended Bond Hill elementary before moving with his family to Miami, FL in 1941. He attended Miami Edison Junior High and later graduated from Miami Technical High School where he earned varsity letters in football & baseball. Following graduation from high school, Bob worked at in the aviation services industry while simultaneously serving in the United States Air Force Reserve. After serving four years in the USAFR, Bob attended Stetson University in Deland, FL on a football scholarship. After two years at Stetson, Bob enlisted in the United States Army where he earned his parachutist's wings before enrolling in the Special Forces eventually becoming one of the first members of the elite Green Berets. Following his military service, Bob returned to Stetson University where he served as president of the local chapter of the Sigma Nu fraternity and was awarded a degree in Business Administration. Following his graduation, Mr. Holly taught elementary school in South Florida prior to pursuing a career in the insurance industry. During this period, Bob became active in his church ministries and in 1972 he was ascended to the rank of "deacon" in his church. In 1974, he received his ordination into the ministry as a minister. Following his ordination, Mr. Holly earned his pilots license so that he could better travel and spread his

ministry. While continuing his employment in the insurance industry Mr. Holly traveled throughout the United States and Canada continuing his ministerial work. In 1977 Mr. Holly and his family moved to Roswell, GA where he continued his career in the insurance industry. In 1995, he retired to his farm in Canton, GA where he pursued his life-long interest in old cars and motorcycles. During his retirement he continued his service to the Lord as a volunteer prison minister and homeless counselor. Mister Holly was preceded in death by his Mother and Father, the late William and Mary Holly, his brothers William and Charles Holly. He is survived by his children Loryn, Catherine, Robert Jr, his son in law Steve Peek & three grand children Michael, Ashley, Emily Peek and his spoiled rotten dogs Eli & Sparky. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in Mr. Holly's name to the American Cancer Society or the Disabled American Veterans. A memorial service will be held on Friday, October 16, 2009 at 11:00 am in the funeral home chapel. Inurnment will follow at Georgia National Cemetery. The Holly family will receive friends on Thursday from 6-8 pm at Northside Chapel Funeral Directors & Crematory, Roswell. 770-645-1414. www.northsidechapel.com

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **15**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors and Crematory
12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Service

OCT **16**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Robert Lee Holly, Sr.*

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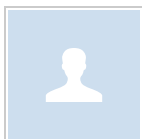
“ *Suzie, Loryn, Cathie & Robert (BJ) - We have fond memories of all of you from Hollywood. We especially remember how graciously you all welcomed us into your home for Christmas after our home was sold and we had just arrived back from a lengthy travel trailer trip. God bless all of you - we're glad Bob is "home" with his heavenly father and not suffering any longer. Cathy, how blessed he was to have you caring for him in your home during this time.*

Take care,

Love in Christ,

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“ *Blessing to Loryn, Cathy and BJ during this time of loss. We all spent many wonderful years together in Roswell and I always thought of your dad as a kind man with a ready smile and a very big heart. I will keep you in my prayers. Much love, Lynn (Perkins) Houston##imported-begin##Lynn (Perkins) Houston##imported-end##*

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“ *What a beautiful summary of Bob's life. So many things I didn't know about him. Met him in the 50's at Stetson, where we were friends, and we even had a date once. Just business. WE renewed our friendship in Hollywood at church and enjoyed many pleasant times in your home and at church. I am saddened at his passing but relieved that he is no longer suffering. He made a significant difference in the lives of others. May God comfort you in his loss.*
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