



## Mr. Robert Ricaby Stenstrom

November 16, 1947 - September 4, 2022

Robert (“Bob”) Ricaby Stenstrom, age 74, passed away peacefully in his sleep at his home in Milton, Georgia after a long and courageous battle with cancer. Bob was born and raised in Evanston, Illinois.

Bob was a proud US Navy Veteran, having been stationed on the USS Enterprise aircraft carrier based in Subic Bay, Philippines during the Vietnam War. After two tours active duty and a stint in the Reserves where he served on the Admiral’s Staff, he attended college in San Diego. After receiving his Bachelors Degree, he moved to Ft. Lauderdale, FL and then Atlanta, GA where he worked in various sales and marketing positions in the telecommunications and high tech industries. He also received his Realtors License and ran his own real estate business.

Bob met his wife, Susan (Falcone) Stenstrom shortly after arriving in Atlanta. Bob and Sue were married for 32 years. They loved their home in Milton where they developed a deep love of pugs and Siamese/Tonkinese cats. They also enjoyed traveling.

Bob was an avid competitive ALTA tennis player, having won trophies in singles and doubles tournaments. In addition, he served as the President of the Crabapple North Home Owners Association for many years. In that position he easily connected with people and touched many lives.

Bob is predeceased by his mother Helen (Ricaby) Stenstrom and his father Harry Kenneth Stenstrom. Bob is survived by his loving wife Susan, his brother John Stenstrom (Ft. Lauderdale, FL), his sister Ruth Stenstrom (Washington, DC) and several cousins.

The visitation for Robert Stenstrom will take place from 12:00pm until 2:00pm on Thursday, September 15, 2022 at the Northside Chapel at 12050 Crabapple Rd. Roswell, Georgia. The funeral service to honor the life of Robert Stenstrom will be at 2:00pm following the visitation. The burial service will take place on October 18, 2022 at Georgia National Cemetery in Canton, Georgia.

Please visit [www.northsidechapel.com](http://www.northsidechapel.com) to share memories and leave condolences to the family.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that you make a donation to Pug Rescue of Florida (<https://pugrescueofflorida.org/donate>), Good Mews Animal Foundation Cat Rescue (<https://goodmews.kindful.com>) or a charity of your choice.

# Cemetery Details

## Georgia National Cemetery

1080 Scott Hudgens Dr  
Canton, GA 30114  
(770) 479-9300

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 15. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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

## Memorial Service

SEP 15. 2:00 PM (ET)

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

## Interment Services

OCT 18. 12:30 PM (ET)

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1080 Scott Hudgens Dr  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Robert Ricaby Stenstrom*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM

VH

*Rest in peace, Bob. You fought so bravely. My thoughts and prayers are with Sue and your family.*

**Vickie Harris** - May 06, 2023 at 02:08 PM

DF

“ *All of us on the tennis team are so fortunate to have known Bob. We all miss him greatly. Our hearts go out to Sue and the family.*

**David Filer** - September 15, 2022 at 11:19 AM

PD

“ *Bob will be missed. He was always such a positive encourager on our tennis team. Comfort to Sue as we look forward to seeing Bob again in Heaven.*

**Peter Duflo** - September 15, 2022 at 09:22 AM

BF

“ *Had a great time playing tennis with Bob, great guy, he will be missed on and off the court.*

**BLAYNE FELDMAN** - September 15, 2022 at 08:52 AM

KS

“ Dear Ruth and Family

*our thoughts and prayer are with you.. Cindy and I had not met Bob but knew him through your stories over the many years. He certainly lived an exemplary life. .in the words of the Hebrew Proverb "say not in grief 'he is no more' but in thankfulness that he was" - again our deepest condolences.*

*Cindy & Neil Spicer*

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**KENNETH NEIL SPICER** - September 14, 2022 at 05:35 PM

AJ

“ Dear Ruth,

*Cheryl sent us the sad news of the death of your dear brother Robert. Although I never met him, I know how close you and Denny were to him. He led a remarkable life, including his service to his country. Please accept my deepest condolences and extend it to his widow and the family. You are in my thoughts. With love,*

*Annette*

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**Annette Johnson** - September 13, 2022 at 11:34 AM

CW

“ Although we did not personally know Bob, we often heard from sister, Ruth about him.

*Our thoughts and condolences are with Sue and family. May he rest in peace*

*Cheryl Watts (Denzil Spicer's sister) & Gary Cornell*

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**Cheryl Watts** - September 13, 2022 at 09:45 AM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Robert Ricaby Stenstrom.*



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September 12, 2022 at 02:45 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Robert Ricaby Stenstrom.*



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September 11, 2022 at 06:07 PM



“ *Bob was my handsome, smart, quick witted, hero cousin with the biggest heart. I will always love him to the moon and back. My condolences to Sue, his loving wife, and to Ruth and John Stenstrom, his sister and brother. They are all very dear to me.*  
*Jamie Johnson Ortiz*

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**Jamie Johnson Ortiz** - September 09, 2022 at 11:04 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Robert Ricaby Stenstrom.*



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September 09, 2022 at 10:22 AM

LC

“ We are certainly going to miss the ever kind and dapper Bob. We have been very lucky to have he and Sue as our neighbors for 21 years. Bob was the kind of friend who would pick you up at 5 a.m. to schlep you to a medical appointment and drive you through a coffee shop on the way back. He was always friendly and kind and gave of himself without expectation. The last two years have been beyond challenging for Bob and Sue. We are going to miss you my friend but take some comfort in knowing that you are no longer suffering.

Sue, we are here for anything you may need and we are so very sad for the monumental loss of your dear husband.

*Mike Gilarski and Laura Cohen-Gilarski*

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**Laura Cohen-Gilarski** - September 09, 2022 at 08:44 AM

DM

“ Bob was a:

*Navy Purple Heart recipient, Vietnam war veteran, HOA president for 25 years, Milton Citizen's Police Academy Graduate, Lover of all animals, including pesky chipmunks and squirrels, wild bird feeder, rescuer of the occasional snake caught in the neighbor's bird netting, neighborhood mower blade sharpener, master 'jury-rigger', fierce poker player, competitive tennis player, sailor of yachts from Hawaii to San Diego, Key West deep sea diver, Braves fan through thick and thin, expert car waxer, owner of all gadgets related to garage, lawn or the kitchen, Frequent Shopper at Home Depot, Lowes and Costco, owner of the cleanest car around, Best Buddy to Vinny Malta for 29 years, hater of all vegetables except corn, cucumbers, potatoes, lover of cherry pie, bacon, eggs and butter, fastidious dresser and landscape perfectionist, and all around teddy bear.*

*Our hearts hurt, but we are consoled that he is no longer suffering and no doubt sharing jokes with his Navy colleagues. Much love to Sue,*

*Vinny and Dianna Malta*

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**Dianna Malta** - September 08, 2022 at 04:25 PM



Pamela  
Van

*Dianna,*

*Thanks for this message...you nailed Bob to a tee. Thanks for being there for Sue through all of the past two years and especially now. Bob and Sue have been very blessed to have you and Vinny as their close and caring neighbors. Your family to them.*

*Pam Van Fleet*

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**Pamela Van Fleet** - September 08, 2022 at 08:49 PM

DM

*Thanks Pam. It's what neighbors and friends do.*

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**Dianna Malta** - September 08, 2022 at 09:14 PM

TF

*We met Bob 29 1/2 years ago at the sales trailer at the front of our subdivision. From the first day we met -- Bob has been a wonderful neighbor and friend. We've shared many memorable times, some good and some not so good. Sharing positions on the first homeowners board of directors, driving to the vet when our dog Frisky was killed, he "saved the day" when our daughter was getting married in Greece and "forgot" the critical paperwork! SO many times come to mind. Our hearts are heavy with the loss of you in this world, but comforted that you are out of pain and at peace.*

*Goodbye, dear Bob (or Roberto as we loved to call him). Somehow we know you are still watching us and for that we are grateful.*

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**The Foody Family** - September 09, 2022 at 11:03 AM

FF

*Foody Family*

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**Foody Family** - September 09, 2022 at 11:04 AM

DH

*Dear Sue, Ruth Ann and John,  
So sorry to hear of cousin Bob's passing. He fought the terrible "C" battle as hard and long as he could. And now his suffering is over and he can rest in peace.  
May your fond memories of Bob help comfort you in this this time of sadness and grief  
With our deepest sympathy  
Don & Rhonda Howard*

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**Don Howard** - September 14, 2022 at 02:55 PM