



## Robert Wickham

June 18, 1942 - February 28, 2012

Murrells Inlet Robert "Bob" J. Wickham

Robert "Bob" J. Wickham age 69, died Tuesday, February 28, 2012 at Tidelands Community Hospice House.

Born in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, he was a son of DeLoris and the late Leon Wickham. Mr. Wickham was an 8 year United States Marine Corps veteran who served in 2 terms in Vietnam. He was a member of the Murrells Inlet VFW, American Legion and the Surfside Beach Moose Lodge. Mr. Wickham retired from the Central Intelligence Agency after 30 years of service.

Surviving in addition to his mother is his wife of 21 years, Eleanor Wickham; daughters, Amara Dalpezzo of Virginia, Victoria Spain of Cedar Rapids, Iowa and Ella Graf of Wisconsin; a brother, Michael Wickham of Cedar Rapids, Iowa and a sister, Connie Robinson of Centre Point, Iowa.

A memorial service will be held at 2:00 PM Friday, March 2, 2012 at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service.

An online guestbook is available at [www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com/obituaries](http://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com/obituaries)

Those wishing may make donations to the American Cancer Society, 950 48th Ave. N., Suite 101 Myrtle Beach, SC 29577.

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 2. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Celebration Center  
11528 Hwy 17 Bypass  
Murrells Inlet, SC 29588  
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# Tribute Wall

IS

“ I deeply miss Robert. He was a great grandpa even though I only knew him for a couple years after I was born. From pictures I can tell he loved me and my brother very much.

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**Ian Spain** - September 21, 2019 at 11:04 PM

DS

“ *Eleanor and Family:*

*We are so sorry to hear of Bob's passing. He was a wonderful person and a friend. What fond memories we have of spending time together, going back to the time we first met in Bangkok and the time we spent together in Iowa. He will be missed.*

*Barb & Dave Stevens*

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**Dave & Barbara Stevens** - March 16, 2012 at 07:44 PM

GH

“ *Eleanor, we were so sorry to hear of Bob's passing. Bob and I did our first tour together in Bangkok too many years ago to think about. Of course Mary & I also have fond memories of some of the good times with you on the West Coast.*

*Gary & Mary Halousek*

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**Gary Halousek** - March 11, 2012 at 05:14 PM

JO

“ *Eleanor, please accept our condolences on Bob's passing. We have many fond memories of Bob from Monrovia and Nicosia.*  
*John and Karen O'Brien*

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**John O'Brien** - March 07, 2012 at 08:06 PM



“ I am Bob's youngest daughter and wish to share my heartfelt thanks to everyone who took the time to send us their condolences. My dad was a hero and my heart will always ache to see him again.

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March 07, 2012 at 03:03 PM



“ Was so sorry to learn of Bob's passing. He was a great classmate at JHS. I'm not the least bit surprised to find out here what his profession was as he was definitely "straight as an arrow." My sincere condolences are extended to his family.

Carol (Novak) Ireland

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Carol Ireland - March 04, 2012 at 10:25 AM



“ Seeing Bob's obituary in The Cedar Rapids Gazette greatly saddened me. I know for certain that his other Jefferson High School classmates join me in extending heartfelt sympathy.  
Gretchen (Brannaman) Sullivan

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Gretchen Sullivan - March 04, 2012 at 09:00 AM



“ We are sad to hear of Bob's passing and our thoughts and prayers are with his family. It was a pleasure working with Bob and Eleanor in Athens and Nicosia and we will always cherish those memories.  
Rest in peace my friend – Bill & Patricia Trikas

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Bill Trikas - March 03, 2012 at 03:09 PM

JK

“ A higher power told to check the CR Gazette Obit as I never hardly check it. I found Robert's Obit. My memories of Robert is when we played Army in grade school, but in his case it was the US Marines. Bob was a straight arrow. We lost track of each other after Taylor School days. I went to Roosevelt Jr high and my younger sister, Linda, thought he went to Wilson Jr High. So when I heard that he had become a Marine, I understood and going into the CIA. Bob was always dedicated, to the company. He was always respectful to his elders & a kind person. RIP  
James Knigge, San Pedro, CA.90731

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**James Knigge** - March 03, 2012 at 11:00 AM

RC

“ On behalf of the Murrells Inlet VFW, our condolences to the Wickham family.

*Richard Copeland  
Commander*

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**Richard Copeland** - March 03, 2012 at 09:24 AM

MD

“ So sorry to learn of this sad news. Bob was a special man and mentor. My condolences to his family. God Bless you,

*Mark D.*

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**Mark D.** - March 02, 2012 at 10:31 PM

JB

“ My sincere condolences to his Bob's family. Bob and I first met and worked together in Bangkok in the early 70's. He was always dedicated and a pleasure to be around. We saw each other many times after those years and I always remember his pleasant demeanor and sincere happiness being with people. A professional, dedicated man with a great attitude. A good man that will be missed. Rest in peace.

*John Buckman, Virginia*

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**John Buckman** - March 02, 2012 at 08:06 PM

EM

“ RIP my friend! Semper Fidelis

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**Emmett Miller** - March 02, 2012 at 05:55 PM

SH

“ Eleanor and family, I was so sorry to hear of Bob's passing. I remember how gracious he was to take the RC Adms. out on the lake in his pontoon. His flower beds at Delhi were so beautiful. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Sherryl Hoepner** - March 02, 2012 at 12:11 PM

MB

“ Dear Eleanor,

*My condolences to you and your family. So sorry to hear of your loss. I got to meet Bob just once - at Uncle Joe's reunion in 1999 but I remember sitting there enraptured for a few hours with his CIA war stories :-). And a very warm smile that showed his love and kindness.*

*Love, Your cousin Mark*

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**Mark Bryant** - March 02, 2012 at 11:51 AM

JS

“ *My condolences to Bobs family. I worked with Bob at Rockwell Collins in Cedar Rapids, Iowa for a couple years. I will remember his laugh and smile. It was a pleasure to know Bob. John Sherrer Cedar Rapids IA.*

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**John Sherrer** - March 02, 2012 at 07:25 AM

MA

*Greetings to Bob's family. I first met Bob in Athens in the late 70s. From that day to this, I have always remembered him with great admiration. I recall when I spoke to his daughters while he was on TDY for six weeks. They were in agony that their father had been gone for so long. I got on the 'horn' and told him it was time for him to come home. He understood the situation better than I; so, he completed his work and came home in a few days. What a wonderful family and professional man I was delighted and pleased to know. Rest in Peace, Bob; and may God open the pearly gates wide so you can get all of your wonderful qualities into His presence. warm regards, milt & louise*

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**Milt Aldridge** - March 03, 2012 at 09:18 AM

JW

“ *Eleanor and family, we are so sorry to hear of Bob's passing. It was a pleasure to work with Bob at Rockwell Collins and to see both of you while you lived at Lake Delhi. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*Jim and Sarah Wittnebel*

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**Jim Wittnebel** - March 01, 2012 at 09:46 PM

HD

“ *My memory of Bob, my brother-in-law, is his great love for my sister, Eleanor. It is always and forever and ever. Soul mates and BFF's. What a great memory!*

*All my love to Eleanor, Amara, Victoria, Ella & girls*

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**Helene Domi** - March 01, 2012 at 09:00 PM

EG

“ *You will be greatly missed Grandpa B.O.B. Bob we love you Ella Amber and Sydney*

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**Ella Graf** - March 01, 2012 at 08:02 PM

TK

“ *Sorry to hear of his passing. I remember working and having conversations with him at Rockwell Collins.*

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**Tim Kreel** - March 01, 2012 at 02:57 PM

KD

“ *Eleanor - we are so sorry to hear of Bob's passing. It was a pleasure to know you both while you lived in the Delhi area.....thinking of you.....Barb & Ken DeKlotz*

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**Ken & Barbara DeKlotz** - March 01, 2012 at 01:01 PM

TM

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**Tommy & Marcia** - February 29, 2012 at 01:09 PM

TM

“ *Eleanor, we are so sorry of Bob's passing. He was a wonderful, compassionate man and a very good friend. We will miss his smiling face. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. Cherish the memories. Love you.*



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**Tommy & Marcia** - February 29, 2012 at 12:56 PM

JW

*Eleanor and family, we are so sorry to hear of Bob's passing. It was a pleasure to work with Bob at Rockwell Collins and to see both of you while you lived at Lake Delhi. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*Jim and Sarah Wittnebel*

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**Jim Wittnebel** - March 01, 2012 at 09:44 PM

MB

*Eleanor; we are so sorry for your loss of Bob. When we read the obit M and I immediately starting recalling all the good times we had together in Africa. Bob will be sorely missed by so many, many friends.*

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**Marianne and Gary Bowles** - March 02, 2012 at 07:27 PM