



Robert Wishart

January 1, 1929 - March 4, 2014

Robert C. Wishart, 85, of Murrells Inlet, SC, passed away on March 4, 2014. Adored and adoring husband of Jane McSweeney Wishart for 48 wonderful years. Beloved and devoted father of Martha M. Wishart of Framingham, MA, Hannah H. Acton of Waxhaw, NC, and Sara C. Wishart of Stuart, FL. Grandfather of Aidan Marlowe Wishart O'Connell, of Framingham, MA.

Born in Greenfield, MA, January 1, 1929, Bob was a proud first generation Scots-American, the son of Robert Wishart of Dumbartonshire, Scotland, and Helen Cullis of Pennsylvania. Bob was a graduate of Arms Academy, Shelburne Falls, MA, and earned a B.A. in Communications from Boston University. Bob was a US Army veteran, who served in the Korean War in Special Services as Director of Radio Gypsy, an Armed Forces radio station near the DMZ. After leaving the military, Bob settled back in Western Massachusetts, employed for many years as Managing Director at the B.J. Kendall Company in Griswoldville. Bob also worked as a freelance writer, served as a volunteer firefighter for the town of Conway, and was an active member of "The Stockade Players", a theater company in Deerfield. Bob then became a corporate writer/producer/director for Mass Mutual Life Insurance Company in Springfield. During his career, Robert's writing was published in "Yankee" magazine, and he penned a humor column for the Greenfield newspaper "The Recorder." Bob also received several prestigious awards for his corporate video productions.

After retirement from Mass Mutual in 1992, Bob and Jane settled in the warmer climes of South Carolina, whereupon Bob immersed himself in local history, first working at historic Hampton Plantation, then at the Kaminski House Museum, and while residing in the old schoolhouse at Chicora Wood Plantation. Bob loved to travel, and he and his wife and daughters enjoyed many adventures around the United States and Britain. Bob and Jane were fortunate to have relished stays together in Paris in recent years.

Along with his wife, three daughters, and his grandson, Robert also leaves his two sisters, Catherine Jane Swallow of Fairfax, VA, and Heather Martin, of Madison, CT. He also leaves his sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Martha Ann and John Conant, of Conway, MA, and their children, the eldest of whom knew Robert as "Uncle Bob" years before his marriage to Jane. He leaves many nieces and nephews, as well as friends in the North and the South. His charm, wit, gentleness, and humor will be missed, but long-remembered, by his friends and family. His wife and daughters are thankful for the boundless love he showed them, and for all the happy years they had with him. He was the finest of men, a truly exemplary father, and the most dedicated husband imaginable.

A Southern remembrance gathering will be held at the Woodlake Village Club House at 155 Woodlake Drive, Murrells Inlet, SC, on Saturday, March 15, 2014, at 2:00pm. Friends are welcome to come and celebrate Bob. The family also plans to hold a gathering in New England at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Robert's memory can be made to: Tideland Community Hospice, Inc., 2591 N. Fraser Street, Georgetown, SC 29440.

Tribute Wall

PE

“ I just saw him on *What's My Line* on YouTube. We are so sorry.
Paul Cafritz Edelstein-Dattel Family
Memphis, Tennessee

Paul Edelstein - May 27, 2014 at 07:24 AM

RC

“ Dear Martha & family. I was very sorry to hear of Bob's passing. You and Bob were such a happy part of our parents lives with happy & fun times that went back many years. I smile when when I think of you and Bob because there are so many warm & happy memories between your family and the Dick and Doris Woods family!
He will never be gone as long as he lives in your hearts.
My thoughts and prayers are with you and the family.
Rosalind (Woods) Chaisson

Rosalind Chaisson - March 14, 2014 at 07:44 AM

RW

“ Dear Jane and girls,
We will be thinking of you and have you in our prayers during your time of loss and after. I was glad to have known Bob he was a gentle man and a like able person. My condolences to you and your family.
Roger, Troy, & Tim

Roger Ward - March 13, 2014 at 05:26 PM

BD

“ Jane, very sorry to hear about your loss. You both were extremely good to me and helped me in a very difficult time. Bob was a great guy to work for [we made horse liniment] and an even greater friend. He went above and beyond to help me and will not be forgotten by me. I remember going to Barnstable County Courthouse with him and staying over at his Dad's [I think] the nite before. I also remember you saying to me "If you do anything to hurt Bob I'll" I don't remember how you finished it only that you said it and by doing so expressed how much you cared for him. I do remember the girls and I'am sure they went from a handful to fine young ladies, I also remember Knave. Bob was a soft spoken kind gentleman, even when he was mad his voice did not attain the real angry decibals. My condolences. You both will always be in my thoughts as the good people who made a difference. sincerely Brian Derry

Brian Derry - March 13, 2014 at 11:58 AM

AS

“ Sorry, let me begin again. Uncle Bobby was a kind friendly fellow to my siblings and I. Reading his obituary brought back memories of family visits together when we were young and still lived in western Mass. I also remember meeting Aunt Jane and the love they had together for so many years. Particular memories seem to revolve around family weddings: my sister Jane's many years ago in River Hills and my daughter Cathy's more recently here in Mount Vernon. Blessed with a dry wit, Uncle Bobby will be remembered most for his kindness to my family and his closeness to my mother

Austin and Carolyn Swallow

Austin Swallow - March 12, 2014 at 07:51 PM

CC

“ Thank you Uncle Bob for all the memories. I will always remember the last hug you gave me in Conway last August! May you Rest in Peace!! Our thought and prayers are with Aunt Jane, Martha, Hannah and Sara and rest of the family. God Bless you all!! Chris Conant

Chris Conant - March 12, 2014 at 10:51 AM



“ I echo my sister's (Heather Corbett) sentiment. I was always fun when our families would get together. My thought and prayers are with you and your family. –Glenn Woods

Glenn Woods - March 12, 2014 at 07:08 AM

HC

“ Martha, I am VERY sorry to hear of the passing of Bob. Although I was quite young, I fondly remember our family visits with your beautiful family. My parents, Richard & Doris Woods, I'm sure greeted Bob with a big smile in heaven! My thoughts, prayers and strength to you and your family.

Heather Corbett - March 12, 2014 at 06:54 AM

HC

I had listed all the names Jane, Sarah, Hanna & Martha, somehow they didn't appear. My apologies.

Heather Corbett - March 12, 2014 at 07:00 AM

PM

“ We were honored and priveledged to have know you. A truly special person that will be greatly missed. Rest in peace, Bob. Our sympathies to your family. Pat and Jeff Mann

pat mann - March 09, 2014 at 05:32 PM

AS

“ To our friend Bob who will be in our hearts always. We will miss you. When we hear the words "Its five o'clock somewhere" it will always have special meaning. Love and prayers, Anthony, Joan, Mark and Debra Saraceni

Anthony Saraceni - March 09, 2014 at 07:45 AM

WU

“ RIP Soldier !!!!!



Wayne Williams - USMC - March 07, 2014 at 08:23 PM