



## Robert John Stegon

February 23, 2021

Lake Ridge resident Robert John Stegon, 77, died February 23, 2021, surrounded by family at his home following a 4-year battle with lung cancer.

He was born September 22, 1943, in Braddock, Pa., the son of the late Andrew and Elizabeth Stegon, and raised in East Pittsburgh, Pa.

After graduating with a degree in mechanical engineering from Penn State University, Robert worked 37 years with Westinghouse, beginning his career in commercial nuclear power. He was later transferred to Washington D.C. where he was a marketing manager for a California division later sold to Northrop Grumman, representing its interests with the United States Navy, in particular the nuclear propulsion equipment built to power Naval aircraft carriers and submarines.

Robert married his wife Nancy on September 20, 1969 in State College, Pa. The two stayed married for more than 51 years.

Throughout his life, Robert enjoyed playing and watching both baseball and golf, sailing his boat Fantasy in the Chesapeake Bay, and traveling, both in the United States and around the world.

Robert was a lifelong fan of the Pittsburgh Pirates, attending games at Forbes

Field from a young age with his dad and sisters and celebrating three World Series titles. He later attended four Pirates fantasy camps where fans spend a week playing against each other and former major league players.

Robert coached youth baseball in Prince William County for more than 10 years, teaching the game he loved to dozens of children in the area.

Following his retirement in 2008, Robert and Nancy traveled extensively including several trips to Europe. His favorite vacation was a cruise along the Mediterranean Sea. He also loved to captain his boat, spending the warmer months on the water with his wife, family, and friends on both day and overnight trips.

After his cancer diagnosis, Robert served on the Patient and Family Advisory Council at the Inova Schar Cancer Institute, a department of Fairfax Hospital. He created a form given to new patients aimed at improving communication between patients and cancer institute providers.

Robert sung mass as a cantor at St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church in East Pittsburgh, Pa., for several years, starting at age 9. Throughout his life, he sang in several churches including Roman Catholic and Anglican parishes, along with Byzantine.

In his final days, Robert expressed gratitude for what he described as a full life, filled with many blessings, loving relationships, and the opportunity to do the things he loved with those closest to him.

Robert is preceded in death by his parents, sisters Marie and Dorothy, and brother Andrew.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy; his children, Carolyn (Jason), of Laguna

Beach, Calif., and David (Tracy), of Stafford, Va.; and grandchildren Sami, Nate, and Jack.

A viewing for Robert will be held on March 9 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Miller Funeral Home in Woodbridge. Funeral services will be held March 10 at 10 a.m. at All-Saints Church in Woodbridge followed by internment at Columbia Gardens Cemetery in Arlington. The family will then host a lunch at the Harbour Grille in Woodbridge, starting around 2 p.m.

In addition to flowers, contributions can be made to the American Cancer Society.

Out of caution for the COVID-19 pandemic, the family will offer an online viewing option for the funeral service for those who would prefer not to attend in person. We fully understand the current environment and respect everyone's desire to be safe during this time.

# Cemetery Details

## Columbia Gardens

3411 Arlington Blvd  
Arlington, VA 22201

# Previous Events

## Viewing

MAR 9. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Miller Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc.  
3200 Golansky Blvd.  
Woodbridge, VA 22192  
703-878-CARE (2273)  
<https://millerfuneralhome.net/>

## Funeral Service

MAR 10. 10:00 AM (ET)

All Saints' Church  
14851 Gideon Drive  
Woodbridge, VA 22192

# Tribute Wall



“ *Robert John Stegon*

January 12, 2023 at 12:00 PM



“ *We are so sorry to hear of Bob's passing. I have fond memories of the Stegon family, when we neighbors in Lake Ridge. Bob was often in his yard making it look beautiful.*  
*Phil and LaVerne Pope*

**LaVerne Pope** - March 12, 2021 at 10:39 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.*



**ASLPM** - March 10, 2021 at 01:23 PM



“ *Nancy, we are thinking about you and sending love. Our deepest condolences to both you and your beautiful family! We loved getting to know both you and Bob at the marina! He will always hold a special place in our hearts and will be truly missed!*



**kelly Jackson** - March 10, 2021 at 09:49 AM

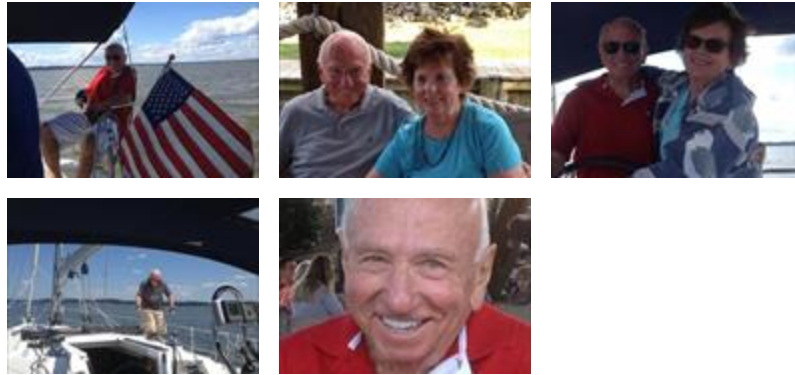
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“ *"Sailboat Bob" will be sorely missed. He and Nancy were our dock neighbors at the marina for several years. He was a kind and gentle man with a huge smile. Our hearts go out to Nancy and the family.*

Cathie LaroCCA - March 10, 2021 at 09:17 AM

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“ *7 files added to the album Memories Album*



Cathie LaroCCA - March 10, 2021 at 09:13 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert John Stegon.*



March 09, 2021 at 12:57 PM

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“ Paul and Cathleen Giannini purchased the Full O f Love Bouquet for the family of Robert John Stegon.



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**Paul and Cathleen Giannini** - March 09, 2021 at 09:12 AM

  
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“ I first met Bob when I came to DC as a young Naval Officer. He took me under his wing and a friendship that has lasted all these years began. On every level, Bob was a humble professional: his faith, his family, his service to our country and others, his work and his love of life. I corresponded with Bob and Nancy and always enjoyed the reports of his "brilliant" children, David and Carolyn and their families. I called Bob and we prayed together a few times during his last weeks. He called me to say "good-bye" less than a week before he died. In his last days, Bob was wonderful Bob, caring more about others than he did about himself. What a gift he is and was to each of us. He has a special place in heaven today and I can't wait to see him up there someday so he can teach me all the things (e.g. sailing, baseball, being a husband and a father) he was SO good at here on Earth! Fair winds and following seas, brother Bob. - Captain Zack Wilhoit USN

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**Zachary Wilhoit** - March 08, 2021 at 10:46 PM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends of Robert. With love, Jonathon & Arline Walker



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**Jonathon Walker** - March 08, 2021 at 10:28 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Robert John Stegon.*



March 08, 2021 at 10:26 AM



“ *Love ,John and Doreen and family purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Robert John Stegon.*



**Love ,John and Doreen and family** - March 06, 2021 at 10:06 PM



“ *Bobby, yes, Bobby as that's how I know him, have been friends for over 72 years! We were in kindergarten together and graduated East Pittsburgh High School together. He added so much to life, and we had great fun planning our 50th high school reunion in 2011. My husband and I were fortunate to be able to visit Bobby and Nancy when we visited Virginia. He leaves a void, and I will miss him.*

**Karen Vijuk** - March 06, 2021 at 03:05 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Robert John Stegon.*



March 04, 2021 at 08:37 PM

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“ *My Dad and I shared amazing memories I will cherish forever!*



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**Carolyn Stegon** - March 04, 2021 at 12:29 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Robert John Stegon.*



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March 03, 2021 at 08:39 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Robert John Stegon.*



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March 03, 2021 at 06:17 PM

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“ *Pete & Gracia Polarek purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Robert John Stegon.*



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**Pete & Gracia Polarek** - March 03, 2021 at 04:47 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert John Stegon.*



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March 03, 2021 at 03:15 PM



“ *Rich and I will always remember Robert's calm demeanor and smiling face. How wonderful that he and Nancy were able to enjoy 51 years of marriage coupled with loving children and grandchildren. May he Rest In Peace after a Christian life well lived.*  
*Karen Garon*

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**Katen Garon** - March 02, 2021 at 03:51 PM