



Robert W. Abbott

September 1, 1940 - January 20, 2014

Robert W. Abbott, age 73, of Plano, Texas, passed away on January 20, 2014. He was born in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on September 1, 1940, to Guy and Nellie Mae (West) Abbott. On December 6, 1996, Robert married Monica Mae Beres in Plano, Texas. He proudly served his country in the United States Army. After being honorably discharged from the service, he worked for Rockwell International, Sonburn Stationary Warehouse and Pasco.

He is survived by his wife, Monica Abbott of Plano, Texas; sons, Bob Abbott and wife Nicole of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Bryan Abbott and wife Toni of Bixby, Oklahoma; grandchildren, Ashlyn Nicole Abbott, Chelsie Marie Abbott, Cory James Cata, Brandon Cata and wife Sherri, Corinne Barker; great-grandchildren, Otto Cata and Isabelle Cata; brother, Phil Abbott and wife Sherridan of Irvine, California.

Robert is preceded in death by his parents, Guy and Nellie Abbott.

A funeral service is being held at 4:00 p.m., Thursday, January 23, 2014 at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Chapel in Allen, Texas. A graveside service will be held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, January 25, 2015 at St. John Cemetery, in Livonia, Missouri.

Memorials

Bob was my stepfather. I am so sorry, Bobby and Bryan, to have found this online instead of thru the family. I hope you and your families are both doing well. Since my mother is not mentioned I am not surprised I wasn't either. Bob

married my mother, Bonnie, when I was five and was my stepfather until I left the home at fourteen. My fondest memories were of him mowing our lawn with that dang push mower and intentionally mowing down my mothers lilac bushes every chance he could and her getting 'mad'; and the warped pool cue that gave me the best butterfly net in the neighborhood from his snooker table in our basement. He took care of my mother and the boys very well. He finished that cement basement in a beautiful way, including recessed bookcases and a recessed fish tank for my mom. I remember his '57 Chevy, all the snow we shoveled, the ten speed bike he paid half of the cost of and I paid the other half of we got at Sears, the awesome tomatoes and radishes we grew in the garden. I am who I am today because of his influence. You have advanced to the next level, Bob, and I hope to join you there. Thank you for being there for my mom and I.

TONYA RICHARDS, JANUARY 17, 2015

SORRY TO HEAR THE BAD NEWS. BOB WORKED FOR ME AT COLLINS CEDAR RAPIDS. HE WAS THE BEST, FRIENDLY HONEST AND FAITHFUL I COULD ALWAYS DEPEND ON BOB FOR HIS SERVICE AND JUDGEMENT

FRANCIS C MCMANN SR, FEBRUARY 12, 2014

Dear Abbott Family, Please know you all are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time of loss. I hope your memories of the wonderful husband and father he was will provide you with some comfort during this time. Kindest Regards,

JANE FITZPATRICK, JANUARY 24, 2014

So sorry to hear about Bob's passing. We were office mates for several years and he was always great to work with and just a really nice guy. Our prayers are with you.

RED BENSON, JANUARY 23, 2014

When my wife and I moved back to Texas in 1989, I had just turned 40 and was anxious to get involved in master's running. I met Bob through Rio King and have fond memories of many long weekend runs with the 2 of them. Bob

was always a joy to run with and he pushed me to be a much better runner in many ways. My fondest memory was an 8X800 meter interval workout at the track one day where we took turns leading each interval and literally pushed each other to exhaustion. We both got too busy to train together shortly thereafter but every time I'd see Bob, he'd always remind me of that workout and say that was the hardest workout he'd ever done. So happy to have been a part of it and it's something I'll never forget either. My warmest thoughts and prayers go out to all of Bob's family and friends...

JOHN MCGEHEE, JANUARY 23, 2014

Beyond being a great runner, Bob was a great person. His kindness was genuine and felt by all that knew him. His sudden passing is both shocking and saddening. For me, he was an inspiration. I enjoyed running with him as well as conversing with him. To his family- "Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal". You have me deepest condolences.

KEVIN O. DAVIS, JANUARY 23, 2014

You are in my thoughts and prayers Monica, as you go through this difficult time.

TWYLLA BELL, JANUARY 23, 2014

Bob was one of the nicest men I've known, a real gentleman. He was also one of the best masters runners anywhere. I am honored to have known Bob. God bless you Bob, we will miss you, rest in peace.

DAVID CROMER, JANUARY 23, 2014

Mr Abbott was always there to help me and my family. Thank you Mr Abbott for your friendship, you will be missed greatly!

JENNIE WEISS, JANUARY 23, 2014

Everyday running for me is a great day. When Abbott was in the same run, race, article, results, etc.; 'running' was a bit better. Thanks, Bob, for being pleasant, approachable, and giving/doing so much to running. RIP (run in peace).

FRED SCHWALL, JANUARY 23, 2014

As was everyone, I was shocked to hear about Bob's passing. I have fond

memories of many years interacting with Bob in the Rockwell Collins Running Club. He loved running & all his running associates loved him. He was one of the best in the DFW area. I know he continued to run until the day he passed. All my best to Bob's family as they get a grip on this surprise and regroup. Celebrate Bob's life!

ROBERT VAN HORN, CEDAR RAPIDS, IA, JANUARY 22, 2014

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