



## Robert R. Cochran

*September 20, 1935 - May 14, 2011*

BOB COCHRAN passed on to Heaven Saturday May 14, 2011 following a brief illness and surgery in a Plano hospital at age 75. Robert R. Cochran was born September 20, 1935 in Detroit, Michigan to Florence Harrison and Marion Cochran, both deceased. He married his childhood sweetheart, Sally Ann Holston on July 19, 1957 in Detroit, and two daughters, Julie & Margaret, were born of their loving union, also in Detroit. Bob was predeceased by his beloved wife, Sally, in 2008 and their dear daughter Julie Cochran Biegun in 2006. Also predeceased were Bob's brother Howard and wife, Hattie Cochran. A memorial celebration of life service will be Monday, May 23, 2011 at 3:00 PM in First United Methodist Church, 601 S. Greenville Ave, Allen, Tx. Rev. June Franck will be the officiate. Bob was a thorough Detroit guy who loved the auto industry where he worked at many levels most of his adult life. He and Sally with their daughters lived in Detroit for many years, but his automotive career took them to other motor towns including Nashville, Tn, where he and Sally made a home from 1983 until Bob's retirement from Chrysler Credit. Bob & Sally move from Nashville in 1996 to Allen, Tx to be near their daughter, Margaret Cochran Landry, husband Ron and their 3 children, Meridith, Mallory and Joseph. After Sally's passing, Bob moved from Allen to the Heritage Ranch Community in Fairview, Tx in 2009 where he lived until his passing. Bob lived a full life continuing to make friends as he practiced his deeply held beliefs as an involved Christian gentleman. Bob Cochran loved his friends and The First United Methodist Church of Allen where he was an involved member for many years in Allen and Fairview. Bob was a natural friend of all he met and a bon vivant who was generous to his church and friends, often giving anonymously and enjoying the joy of sharing with all. He made people happy with his wit and good humor, never meeting a stranger and always sharing interesting life stories, including the good times as well as grievous times, like losing Julie in the prime of her young life. As a very young man, right out of high school, Bob volunteered to serve in the United States Coast Guard where he was honorably discharged in 1956. He is survived by his daughter Margaret Cochran Landry and husband Ron and their children, Meridith, Mallory and Joseph; also by son-in-law, John Biegun and grandchildren Robert Biegun, Elizabeth Biegun and Stephen Biegun- all of Lake Orion, Michigan, nephews Howard Cochran, Jr. and Hugh Cochran & wife Ana Paula of Brentwood, TN, and Harold Cochran & wife, Celeste of Honduras. Bob is also survived by a brother-in-law, Richard Holston, Sally's brother in California, and other loving family members and a host of friends. Family & friends are invited to Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home on HWY 75 @ exit 38 in Allen at their convenience on Sunday, May 22nd

to pay respects and to sign the registry. The family will receive friends during a visitation on Sunday evening from 6:00 pm to 8:00pm at the funeral home. To convey condolences or to sign online registry, please visit [www.tjmfuneral.com](http://www.tjmfuneral.com). In lieu of flowers, his family requests donations in Bob's honor to First United Methodist Church-Allen, Tx.

## Memorials

*Bless Bob's family during this time of sadness. I have know Bob ever since he worked in the truck department in Detroit. I worked with Bob in Indianapolis; he got me into Detroit and again in Nashville. Bob was always helpful in teaching and was a people person. We have always stayed in touch over the years. When we would visit Bob and Sally in Allen we would talk about the past and the enjoyment time we had together. Bob will be sadly missed but never forgotten. Dick and Sue Pryor 931-358-9961 cell-320-1202*

**RICHARD C PRYOR JR, MAY 22, 2011**

*Bob was always ready to talk to anyone and ready to help anyone who needed help. We counted Bob as one of our very good friends and he will be greatly missed by all.*

**WILL & SHIRLEY LEVERETT, MAY 22, 2011**

*Knowing Bob and Sally was a delight we will never forget. Bob always knew how to keep everyone smiling. He was great to work with and an even better friend. He will be missed. Good-bye for now to our friend. See you later. Linda and Jim*

**JIM AND LINDA JEFFERSON, MAY 21, 2011**

*Bob, you were a wonderful man.....always filling the hearts and lives of others with love, joy, and kindness. Thank you, Roberto, for being one of the dearest friends I have ever known. My prayers are with his family. Charlene Rosenthal*

**CHARLENE ROSENTHAL, MAY 21, 2011**

*I didn't know you long, but I will always cherish our times together. You are greatly missed.*

**DONALD R SNYDER, MAY 20, 2011**

*I am sorry to see Bob pass on, I know he lived life to the fullest. I worked for him when he was Regional Manager and Branch Manager where he was*

*instrumental in getting me promoted to Branch Manager in Knoxville. We continued to stay in touch.*

**JIM TAYLOR, MAY 19, 2011**

*Mr. Cochran: You were an important person in my mentoring during my early stages with Chrysler Credit. If it were not for you I would not have progressed as I did. I was very sorry to hear of your passing and hope you are in the hands of the Lord. God Bless you and Rest In Peace.*

**ISABELLA N KANIESKI, MAY 19, 2011**

*Bob, you liked everyone you met and a pleasure to work with. Our condolences to the family, we lost a great one.*

**SID&JO MORKEN, MAY 19, 2011**

*Rest In Peace old friend.*

**MARVIN & ALLENE DAY, MAY 19, 2011**

*My condolences to Bob's family and close friends. I first met him in '69; he entertained a group of young trainees on their first trip to the Motor City. Bob was always a great host. He was my boss for a brief period before he moved to Nashville. Later I joined marketing and made many trips to Nashville all of which were special because of Bob. Many good memories there. Throughout my career he was a good friend and advisor. I regret that I lost touch after he retired. God bless you Bob.*

**JIM LAFFERTY, MAY 19, 2011**

*Gone & certainly never forgotten Robert. We loved you & respected your good life. Oh Death, where is thy sting, Oh Grave, where is your victory? Your "big brother Bob" and wife Charlotte Northington*

**BOB & CHARLOTTE NORTHINGTON, MAY 18, 2011**

*It deeply saddens me to hear of Mr. Cochran's passing. He hired me out of college and gave me a chance to prove myself when others may not have. He trained me and he loved me and I mentored him beyond all others I knew in the industry. After working for Mr. Cochran for 3 years in Nashville, I went to work for Toyota. Soon after, I asked for my job back. While none of the executives wanted to hire me back, he went to bat for me and hired me back. I*

*worked for him in Nashville until he promoted me to Chattanooga then he soon after retired. I stayed with Chrysler until 2005 and then stayed in touch with Mr. Cochran periodically thru the years. He was always jovial and always let me know how proud he was of my success. What a beautiful person!!! I could go on and on about all the great things he did for people, especially his employees. I am so proud to say he was my mentor and proud he continues as an inspiration in my life. There are many times in my career, I stop and ask "how would Mr. Cochran had handled this situation"? RIP Mr. Cochran. I will always remember you and you have played a huge role in bettering people's lives - especially mine. God Bless!!! Rod Bandy 770-408-8390*

**ROD BANDY, MAY 18, 2011**

*I was very sorry to hear about Bob. I worked with him for many years at Chrysler Financial. He was truly a wonderful, caring man. He will be greatly missed. My prayers are with his family.*

**CAROLE J MOORE, MAY 18, 2011**

*Oh Bob, you sure knew how to live life! You didn't miss any part of it.... You got it all... You always looked at the "rainbow" and not the storm.... I'm a better Christian because of you! You taught me how to be gracious and kind to all.. You keep your eyes on us while we're here. I'll see you around the corner... and bring you your retirement tie... I'll always love you and your family,  
~AJ*

**ALLEN JOHNSTON, MAY 18, 2011**

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