



Robert "Bob" D. Goben

May 30, 1931 - February 5, 2018

Robert "Bob" D. Goben, age 86, of Grove, OK passed away on Monday, February 5, 2018 at Grandwood Assisted Living.

Bob was born on May 30, 1931 to Harold and Zola (Madison) Goben in Kilbourne, IL. He grew up in Normal, IL and graduated from University High School. Following high school, Bob attended Illinois State University and the University of Illinois and received his Bachelors Degree in 1953. That same year, Bob was commissioned as an Ensign in the US Navy. He proudly served as a Navy Commander until 1976.

On December 8, 1956, Bob married the love of his life, Ilene Crone, in Bloomington, IL and they spent 61 years together. In 2004, the couple moved to Grove from Rogers, AR. Bob was an avid golfer and enjoyed spending time with his family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Left to carry on Bob's legacy: wife, Ilene Goben of the home; sons, R. Greg Goben and wife, Maribeth of Tulsa, OK and Thomas Goben and wife, Denise, of Stafford, VA; daughter, Nancy Branham and husband, Keith, of Tulsa, Ok; sister, Marion Henning of Bloomington, IL, 6 grandchildren and 2 great grand children.

A visitation for family and friends will be from 2-4pm Sunday, February 11 at Nichols Funeral Chapel.

Graveside services will be at 11am Monday, February 12, 2018 at Fayetteville National Cemetery in Fayetteville, AR.

The family requests donations be made to: Alzheimer's Association, Oklahoma Chapter 2448 E. 81st Street, Suite 3000, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74137-4250.

Tribute Wall



“ Robert "Bob" D. Goben

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“ We will forever miss Bob strolling around Patricia Island and sharing the day with his friends. He was a friend to everyone he met. R.I.P. Bob. Keep em straight.

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“ Sending our condolences to Aunt "Peany", Greg, Tommy, Nancy and families. Sorry to hear about Uncle Bob's passing. I will always remember him by his nose! Our thoughts and prayers are with you.
Linda (Crone) & Jon Bivens

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