



*Robert (Bob) Eugene
Hill*

March 30, 1937 - May 10, 2024

On May 10th, 2024, Robert (Bob) Eugene Hill passed away peacefully in his home in Morganton, NC. Born in Waterbury, CT on March 30, 1937, to Dr. Edwin Eugene Hill and Beatrice Louise Thibault, he embarked on a remarkable journey that touched the lives of many.

After attending The Taft School, Robert pursued his education at Princeton University, earning a BA, and later obtaining an MA in Government and Economics from Claremont Graduate School in California. In 1960, he married Marcia Ann Hoag, and their bond endured for 63 beautiful years.

Bob's early married life found him in California before he relocated to Wake Forest, NC, in 1966. There, he became deeply involved in the community, serving as a Board Member and VP of Regional Administration and Procurement for Jay-Vee Brands. He also dedicated his time to the Planning Commission of Wake Forest, co-founded the Capital Area Soccer League, and was a member of the council of Saint Catherine's Catholic Parish.

In 1982, Bob and his family moved to Morganton, NC, where he assumed the role of VP of Production Planning and Procurement for Shadowline. Throughout his years in Morganton, he continued his commitment to community service, supporting the Burke Arts Council and serving on the Finance Council of Saint Charles Catholic Church.

Bob's passion for storytelling and music flourished in Morganton. He was honored with awards from the Charlotte Writers Club and saw his work published in esteemed journals. As a talented fiddler, he shared his love for old-time music with various bands in Boone, Morganton, and Asheville notably the Haw Creek String Band. When he was not writing or playing, he was hiking and biking through the NC mountains.

Bob is survived by his wife, Marcia Ann Hill, daughter Elizabeth (Liza) Kirkpatrick and her husband, Scott of Chicago, son Dr. Adam Hill and his wife Leslie Temple of Blowing Rock, NC, along with four cherished grandchildren: Mackenzie Scott Kirkpatrick, Mason Hill Kirkpatrick, Josephine Grey Temple Hill, and Andrew Thibault Temple Hill. He was predeceased by his brother Roger Bennet Hill of Cheshire, CT, and his sister Lorraine Hill Cady of Great Falls, Virginia.

Bob always displayed great humor and wit, and loved something well done, a good tune, a good book, a good story, and a good bottle of wine. Funeral Mass will be held at 12:00 noon on Thursday, May 16th, at Saint Charles Catholic Church in Morganton, NC. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Foothills Conservancy of North Carolina are appreciated.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

Adam sorry for your loss your dad was cool

—James Isenhower

—Paul Thibault



—Mrs Elise (Frigon) Pampena

Marcia and family , so sorry for your loss. So enjoyed my association with both of you. He will be greatly missed.

—James Belote

Dear Marcia. My deeps sympathy for you and family . Words cannot express what you must be feeling at this time. Know that you are in our prayers .

—Frances Bost

Just a super nice “ full of life” guy! He was so kind and had a big barreled laugh..... a fiddle he left me hangs in our Barbershop. Gone but not forgotten.

Tommy Cain

Tommy Sain

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Dear Marcia, I want to express my sincere sympathy for the loss of your beloved Bob. I know he had been frail for quite some time. My heart goes out to you and your family. Judy Rider

—Judy Rider

I remember Bob as always having a smile and a hello and a good joke. He loved a story and a tune or two, and took time for both. His kindness shone out in his eyes. Dave and I will miss him.

—Jessica Moss Howells



—Anonymous