



Robert W. "Bob" Sullivan

September 8, 1926 - April 18, 2020

Robert W. "Bob" Sullivan, 93, of Grand Island, formerly of Palmer, died Saturday, April 18, 2020 at Tiffany Square Care Center in Grand Island.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, a celebration of life and inurnment will be held for family and friends at a later date. All Faiths Funeral Home is serving the family.

Bob was born September 8, 1926, to Mildred L. (Morrison) and H. Wyndham Sullivan in Merrick County. He graduated from Grand Island Senior High School in 1944. Bob worked for an implement dealer in Grand Island for several years. He served in the Army from 1952 through 1954, including a tour of duty in Germany.

Bob was united in marriage to Betty Scott on May 1, 1955, at the United Methodist Church in Fullerton. They celebrated 60 years of marriage. He was blessed with eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren and loved spending time with them.

The couple lived and raised their four sons on their farm near Palmer, until their move to Grand Island four years ago. He farmed in Merrick County. In 1958, he became a Rural Mail Carrier and worked for 30 years. Prior to his recent move to Tiffany Square Care Center, he resided at Primrose

Retirement Community.

Bob was a member of the United Methodist Church in Palmer, the American Legion Club and served on the Palmer School Board.

He was a man of great integrity. To know him was to love him. He lived a life filled with love and laughter. His heart was filled with faith, family & friends. Bob loved aviation and belonged to two flying clubs. He developed The Palmer International Airport (Sullivan Airstrip) on his farm. Many planes were housed and fly-ins were hosted on the airstrip.

Bob and Betty loved to travel. They visited many places across the United States. They also enjoyed spending time at their cabin on Sherman Reservoir. Laughs were shared with friends playing cards, dominos and dining. His love of fishing and hunting was shared with his sons.

Survivors include four sons and three daughters-in-law, Jim and Jeanne Sullivan of Grand Island and their children and grandchildren, Neil and Lindsey Sullivan, and Auron and Ember of Lincoln, Ryan and Rachel Sullivan and Pearse of Grand Island; David Sullivan of Houston, Texas, and his daughter, Jessica Calenzo of New York; Terry and Kim Sullivan of Worms and their children and grandchildren, Brett and Samie Sullivan, and Lauren and Max of Ashland, Jenny and Matt Cordes, and Audra and Sawyer of Kearney, and Grant Sullivan of Holdrege; Robert (Gene) and Michelle Sullivan of Lincoln and their children and grandchildren, Lucas and Rachel Sullivan of California, and Oliver of California and Spenser Sullivan of Omaha.

He was preceded by in death by his wife; parents; and his brother, Dale Sullivan; Barbara Sullivan; brother and sister-in law, Harold and Joyce Sullivan; sister-in-law, Connie Hess; and brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Allen and Arlene Scott.

Memorials are suggested to the family to be designated at a later date.

Tribute Wall



“ *Robert W. "Bob" Sullivan*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *I remember many good times visiting with Bob, whether it was about our families - and he was extremely proud of his family, and rightfully so - or about cattle, farming, or airplanes. I remember that Bob allowed our youngest son, Curt, to keep a 4-H beef project at his place one year. He was very giving. I remember the airplane that several of us owned as the Palmer Flying Club (the very last plane the club owned as a group), headquartered at Bob and Betty's farm. And I recall quite a number of nights when Bob would turn on the runway lights for me so that I could land after dark. He probably knew more about airplanes than most of the rest of us put together, and was very proud of the good grass strip that was located east of the hangers and east of the house. He took care of all things with great pride!*

I visited Bob at Tiffany Square about December or January and regret that I wasn't able to visit him more recently. He is missed by my wife, Jeanniene, and myself as I know he is by countless others. May God continue to bless your family with his great memory.

Bill Burdett, formerly of Palmer and now of rural Cairo, NE

Bill Burdett - April 25, 2020 at 09:00 AM



“ *Condolences to the Sullivan's from the Barada/Falls City NE Wattons.*

Hank Watton - April 22, 2020 at 07:52 PM

LA

“ *Primrose Retirement sends our love and hugs to the Sullivan family. What a loving man and one with a smile to melt your heart. He was very loved here at Primrose, but who wasn't Bob's friend? Our deepest sympathy.*

Lisa, friends and staff at Primrose Retirement

Lisa Asche - April 22, 2020 at 11:42 AM

LK

“ *This is Larry Kosmicki and Bob was our mail carrier when we lived on Bill Lautenschlager farm. I always enjoyed him because he was so joyful and happy. The families of Bob have my deepest sympathy. It's very hard I just lost my Eileen 7 months ago. God bless you all.*

Larry Kosmicki - April 21, 2020 at 11:10 PM

RT

“ *Their is only one Bob. He serviced his cars at Dad and Albert for years. Always a joy to talk too. Then I retired and took part time Job at Sams gas station Got to see Bob again at a gas station. Really miss Bob. Roger Taylor.*

Roger Taylor - April 21, 2020 at 09:41 AM

TQ

“ *Bob Always Had A GREAT TIME AT SHERMAN & ENJOYED ALL HE FAMILY GATHERINGS!! HUGS & PRAYERS TO FAMILY & FRIENDS!!! A GREAT HEAVENLY ANGEL & STAR!! ALWAYS WITH U ALL & MANY GREAT MEMORIES FOREVER!!! PRAYERS TO ALL OF U!! He's Look At The Stars & He'll B RIGHT THERE!! HE'LL BE MISSED DEEPLY!!!*



Terry Quinn - April 20, 2020 at 07:38 PM

BB

My deepest sympathy to all Bob's family. He was such a wonderful man. Always enjoyed visiting with him and Betty. He was always an excellent teacher and mentor to children. I enjoyed working with Betty in school system too. Fly high Bob on the wings of Angels!! 🙏🙏🙏💖

Bonnie Beed - April 21, 2020 at 10:01 AM