



Mr. Robert Woolfork, Esq.

February 4, 1939 - January 30, 2023

Robert Woolfork was born on February 4, 1939 in West Palm Beach, FL, the fifth born of six children to Louis Woolfork and Louise Scott Woolfork. Both of his parents and four siblings preceded him in death.

On January 30, 2023, he was beckoned by our Lord to transcend from life to eternity.

He fought a courageous fight, kept the faith and went to a new and better home.

Robert was known and called by so many who loved and knew him as "Bob".

He had a gentle spirit about him that touched everyone who knew him.

He started his educational journey in the public school system of West Palm Beach. He matriculated at Roosevelt High School, West Palm Beach, FL, and graduated in 1958. After high school, Bob furthered his education by attending Florida A&M University (FAMU) in Tallahassee, FL. During his time at FAMU, Bob was a member of the "Rattler Battalion" Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) and a Fall 1961 initiate of the Alpha Xi Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. Bob earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science in 1962.

After graduation, Bob was commissioned to active duty in the United States Army. He was stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, MO. Upon completion of active duty, Bob served in the United States Army Reserve holding several positions and commands leading him to the rank of Colonel at his retirement from military service.

Bob would go on to attend the University of Florida Fredric G. Levin College of Law earning a Juris Doctorate (J.D.) in 1971 is one of the first African-Americans to do so. He passed the Bar exam in 1972, and taught classes, and was Assistant Dean at the college.

Bob relocated his family to Tallahassee, FL to be the Director of Personnel for the State of Florida under Governor Bob Graham. After his appointment, he held several positions in Legal Aid, the Florida State Attorney's Office, and other state agencies prior to going into private practice for the next 40 years. Bob continued his involvement with Kappa Alpha Psi through the Tallahassee Alumni Chapter and became a lifetime member of the fraternity. Upon moving to Metro Atlanta, he started to become active in the Lawrenceville-Duluth Alumni Chapter. His participation was brief before Bob joined the Chapter Invisible.

Church always held a special place in Bob's heart. For the majority of his life, he was a devout parishioner of Trinity Presbyterian Church. There he served as trustee, deacon, and elder. He also participated in many ministries, including men's counseling.

Bob was active in his community through various organizations: the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), the Tallahassee Barrister's Association, and the Tallahassee Urban League.

Bob married the love of his life, Betty Bacon, a native of West Palm Beach, FL, on March 15, 1969, and they were happily married for over 53 years. Their greatest joy was realized when they produced two children Robert Scott and William.

Bob leaves to cherish his memory, his loving wife, Betty; their two sons, Robert Scott (Nolana), and William (Leonile); his brother James (Florence); one grandchild, Mason; nieces; nephews; and a host of other relatives, church family, neighbors, and friends.

Celebration of Life services for Robert Woolfork will be held on Saturday, February 11, 2023, at 12:00 PM. This service will be recorded and streamed live. If the event is interrupted at any time due to technical issues, the entire event will be uploaded and available to view later in the day. Please copy and paste the link to share, or simply click on the link to view the event.

<https://vimeo.com/event/2859266>

Services entrusted to Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory
Lawrenceville 770-338-5558

Cemetery Details

Georgia National Cemetery

1080 Scott Hudgens Dr
Canton, GA 30114

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 11. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

McKendree United Methodist Church
1570 Lawrenceville-Suwanee Rd,
Lawrenceville, GA 30043

Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall

JP

“ I knew Robert as a fellow lawyer in Ocala in the early 70s. He was always a gentleman, and I'm sorry that our paths never crossed since then. John Piccin

John H. Piccin - July 31, 2023 at 11:06 AM

RH

“ My sincere Condolences to the family of the late COL ROBERT WOOLFORK, ESQ. I met Bob as a freshman at FAMU as a member of the Rattler ROTC BN. After graduating and serving on active duty we met again while serving our country in the Army Reserve. We developed and maintained a strong symbiotic relationship while advancing as Citizen/Soldiers and rising in grade/rank in our respective careers.

Bob was a true soldier (a decorated Infantry, Airborne Ranger), a professional and servant to the public. I am privileged, honored and proud to have known and and also to have served under his command. Farewell my brother, I SALUTE YOU, a true Friend and Role Model for many.

May he REST IN HEAVEN.

COL Ray E. Holmes (USA-Ret)

Ray E. Holmes - March 19, 2023 at 01:20 AM

MF

“ To Betty and family we are deeply saddened from the lost of our friend Bob. We are praying that the Lord will fill the void and give you and your family the assurance needed to go forward. With love Ernest and Mary R. Ferrell.

Mary R Ferrell - February 11, 2023 at 11:28 AM

SM

“ *My deepest condolences to Mrs. Betty, Scott, and William. 🙏 With much respect, Stephanie Mickle*

Stephanie Mickle - February 10, 2023 at 10:28 AM

VA

“ *Vawilson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Robert Woolfork, Esq.*



Vawilson - February 08, 2023 at 11:54 PM

RR

“ *Ruth Reynolds lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Woolfork, Esq.*



Ruth Reynolds - February 04, 2023 at 01:08 PM

RR

Bob Woolfork was a kind and caring Presbyterian. He will be missed!

Ruth Reynolds - February 04, 2023 at 01:08 PM

CM

“ *Robert "Bullet Bob" Woolfork. Thank you for the wonderful legacy you left as an Ideal Kappa Man!!!*

Charles Morris - February 03, 2023 at 08:29 PM