



George Wilkes

April 5, 2012

Obituary of George Wilkes

George Robert "Bob" Wilkes of Leesburg, Florida passed away Thursday April 5, 2012. Born in Jefferson, Georgia he spent most of his life in Gainesville, Georgia before moving to Leesburg in 1972 to manage Leesburg Cablevision. A member of First Baptist Church in Leesburg, he served in many capacities, most notably as a Saturday Sunday School Teacher. As President of the Wilkes Foundation, he traveled extensively doing mission work in the US as well as Africa, Brazil, Romania, and Haiti. Bob was a veteran serving in the Navy and Army Air Corp as a Radio Technician. He worked as a Transmission engineer for many radio and television stations until he entered the cable television industry in 1966. Offshore fishing, flying and letting his grandchildren drive before obtaining a license were some of his favorite hobbies.

Survivors include sons: Robin (Lynn) and Brian (Robin) Wilkes of Leesburg; grandsons: William Chavis of Lady Lake; Jay, Cameron, and Scott Wilkes of Leesburg; sisters: Ernestine Daniel of Portland, Oregon, Mabeth "Betty" Yarbrough of Athens, Georgia, Joan Allen of Sunny Side, Georgia, Mary Jane Campbell of Kansas City, Missouri and brother Jack Wilkes of Pelham, Georgia; several nieces, nephews, and extended family Colleen and Scott

Norris of Leesburg and Elaine Pickett of Moss Bluff. Bob was preceded in death by his wife Maureen (2009) and son Gary Lynn Wilkes (1996).

A visitation will be held at Beyers Funeral Home in Leesburg, FL on Friday April 13, 2012 from 5-7 pm and Funeral Services on Saturday April 14, 2012 at First Baptist Church of Leesburg at 11 am. Interment will follow at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens in Leesburg. In lieu of flowers the family is requesting donations to Cornerstone Hospice or the Alzheimer's Association. Condolences may be left at www.beyersfuneralhome.com , Beyers Funeral Home and Crematory, Leesburg, FL.

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Memorials

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Tribute Wall



“ George Wilkes

October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ He is reunited with "Mo" so he should be very happy now. They were both loving, kind people. Our thought's & prayer's are with all the family. May God Bless You.. Sincerely, The Whitehead Family

Kim & Micky Whitehead - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ Thinking of you guys. Uncle Bobby always had something sweet to say to make you feel special.. God bless you all.

Victoria Presley Nix - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ Our condolences to "Bobby's" family. We at WDUN in Gainesville, Ga. have such fine memories of his time spent here at chief engineer and appreciated his visits to the staff whenever he was visiting in the area. Mr. Jacobs, Jr. died in November, 2011, but always held Bob in high regard.

Mrs John W Jacobs, Jr. - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ Brian, Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Robin and the boys during this difficult time. I am sure he is celebrating with Maureen and Gary. We will continue to lift you up in prayer as you face the difficult day ahead. Love to everyone, Judy and Darwin

Darwin and Judy - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ To Robin, Lynn and extended family, I offer my sincere condolences for the passing of your Dear Father. I know that this is a difficult time and y'all are in my thoughts and prayers. Your friend, Kenny

Kenny Amis - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ I had a professional relationship with Bob when he was General Manager at Cablevision back in the late 70's and early 80's and he was one of the most honest people I ever met. He cared about subscribers and wanted them to get high quality service. He did not believe in maximizing profit at the expense of subscribers. This was truly a great man.

Jimmy Conner - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ I didn't become a christian until 1978 and Bob was one of the first men I met at the First Baptist Church of Leesburg and he was always an inspiration to me as a new christian as he was all action and not talk in his christian walk and I had great respect for him and MO and will miss them both, however, I will see them again for which I am so grateful.

norman cummins - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Sorry learn of "Bobby's" passing. I worked with him at WDUN in Gainesville, Ga.

Ken Stanford - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM