



## Robert Rader Cyrus

August 7, 1940 - July 27, 2021

Robert Rader Cyrus (Bob), a longtime attorney in Lake County, 80, passed away on July 27, 2021. Bob was born in Cincinnati, Ohio on August 7, 1940. He was raised in Pikeville Kentucky, moved to Leesburg in 1957 with his brother, Michael, and his parents, Jesse and Lucille Cyrus after the January Flood of the Big Sandy River. Bob played baseball and graduated from Leesburg High School in 1958.

Following his service as Airman Second Class in the US Air Force, Bob graduated from the University of Florida with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration in 1965. He was a member of the Tau Chapter of Theta Chi and Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternities. Bob received his Juris Doctorate from Florida State University in 1970 with high honors. He was admitted to the Florida Bar in 1971.

Bob was past president of the Lake County Bar Association and served as the city prosecuting attorney for the municipal court. He continued to practice law in Lake County until his retirement in 2013. He was on the Board of Directors at BankFirst in Eustis for many years. Bob was an active member of St. James Episcopal Church, lay reader and served on several committees.

Bob enjoyed sports, golf, traveling, and especially going to his get-away cabin in the mountains of Sylva, North Carolina. He loved attending home and away

Florida Gator games with his wife and close Gator friends. He was President and active member of the Lake County Gator Club and his "Gator Tales" newsletter was recognized as the "Outstanding Gator Club Newsletter" by the University of Florida in 1998.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents and stepson, Steele Gudal. He is survived by his loving wife Susan, daughter Kellie, Sons Britt (Lori), Rader (Thao) and his precious granddaughter, Tinsley; stepchildren Angela, Lars, and Marla; many nieces and nephews, and a host of loyal friends and extended family.

Close friends refer to Bob as "an honorable man with a big heart." He will be greatly missed by many, especially his family.

A Memorial Service will be held at St. James Episcopal Church, 204 Lee Street, Leesburg, FL 34748 Saturday, August 21, 2021 at 2:00 pm. In lieu of flowers of the family requests donations be made to St. James Episcopal Church or the Lake County Gator Club Scholarship Fund in Memory of Robert R. Cyrus (Lake County Gator Club, PO Box 1478, Tavares, FL 32788).









# Tribute Wall

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“ *The hole in our hearts cannot be filled. You will be missed. May your family be comforted at this time.*

*Rest In Peace Mike and Patsy Cyrus*

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**PATSY CYRUS** - August 19, 2021 at 09:03 AM

GS

“ *Condolence From: George & Wanda Sanders*

*Dear Susan.*

*May God bless and protect you and the family in these trying times. Wanda and I want you to know we love you and stand ready to help if it's needed.*

*As you know, Bob and I graduated from LHS together in 1958. I always looked up to Bob back in those days and have very fond memories of our days in high school together. He was a true Florida Gator-- one of the most loyal followers of Florida football that ever was. All of the class of 58 will miss Old Bob.*

*Always,  
George Sanders  
Wanda Sanders*

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**George A Sanders** - August 17, 2021 at 03:33 PM

CD

“ *My dad Welborn was good friends with Bob. I met him many times. He was a first class gentleman. Hi Angela.*

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**Clay Daniel** - August 08, 2021 at 12:35 AM

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“ I worked with Bob many years ago at a law firm in Tavares, he was one of the partners. What we had in common was that he was also from Pikeville, Ky. I remember him as an easy going, soft spoken gentleman and nice to work for. Please accept my deepest condolences.

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**Linda Skaggs** - August 06, 2021 at 10:51 AM

MB

“ Dear Susan,  
Nothing truly prepares us for this type of separation. Know that you and Bob's family are in my thoughts and prayers. Treasure the fond memories of your years together.  
Mary Bowman

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**mary bowman** - August 04, 2021 at 12:23 PM