



## Robert D. "Bob" Robinson

September 30, 1935 - May 9, 2024

A Memorial Service for Bob was held on Friday, May 31, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. at First Congregational United Church Of Christ in Geneva. Kim Dunker presided over the Memorial Service. A Graveside Committal of Ashes was in the Geneva Public Cemetery following the Memorial Service.

Memorials are suggested to the Fillmore County Hospital Foundation or the Geneva Volunteer Fire Department.

Geneva, Nebraska resident, Robert "Bob" Robinson, passed away Thursday, May 9, 2024 at the Bryan West Medical Hospital in Lincoln, Nebraska at the age of 88 years, 7 months, and 9 days. He was born September 30, 1935 on a farm near Phillipsburg, Kansas, the son of John Andrew and Ruth Naomi (Ritter) Robinson.

Bob graduated from high school in Phillipsburg in May 1953 and worked in a railroad café, known as E & M Café, waiting tables and making the best malts in town. He moved to Thermopolis, Wyoming to work in the oil fields and was feeling sick one day and went into a clinic, meeting his future wife, Geralene "Gerry" Harvey, who was a nurse. From there, a relationship grew and they were married in Phillipsburg, Kansas on September 15, 1957. To this union three children were born: Scott, Dallas and Ruth.

The family located in Phillipsburg, Kansas before moving to Geneva, Nebraska in 1958, when Bob took a job driving a truck for Farmland Industries. Bob remained with Farmland for 43 years hauling gas, propane and anhydrous ammonia. He retired in 1997, and Bob and Gerry wintered in Tucson, Arizona for 20 plus years in a beautiful retirement community known as Swan Lake.

Bob and Gerry enjoyed raising their family together. When Bob was trucking on the road, Gerry stayed home making sure the family was cared for. Their relationship was strong and the CB radio in the truck and a base station at home helped to ease their minds. 'Lead Foot' and 'Bad Penny' would speak the language on the radio knowing each other was safe. When Bob was teaching the kids to be independent, he had a unique personality making each child think first before they acted. Changing oil in the car, driving, and helping others were very important to him.

Bob was a volunteer fireman, driving the fire trucks in Geneva for 40 years. He worked with his superiors who taught him about fire safety and fire control in many situations. When the fire sirens sounded, duty called and Bob was there, even if he was on his way home from a long day at work.

Bob also loved his grandchildren, teaching them how to fish and be patient. He wanted every child to experience what may be on the end of the fishing line, with a bobber attached. He coached the children many times, driving behind his steering wheel. Grandpa always said, "If something happens, I'm right here. So, I don't know what to do, but you can figure it out and let me know."

Bob was initiated into the Geneva Masonic Lodge and later became a member of the Lincoln Sesostris Shrine. Bob enjoyed the many friendships formed there and looked back on the fellowships fondly.

Bob was also a member of the First Congregational United Church of Christ where he and Gerry were 60-year members. Attending church was important to them and fellowship was their favorite time after church. Greeting, communion, and assisting with the offering were Bob's passion for many years. Bob watched church services on T.V. at home on Sundays when his health kept him from attending.

On sunny pleasant days you could find Bob and Gerry sitting on the front porch of their home on H Street. Bob will be remembered for his kind, but ornery spirit as making people laugh was a must.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Geralene A. Robinson; and sons, infant John Alan Robinson and Dallas Ray Robinson.

He is survived by his son, Robert Scott Robinson and wife Mary of Chelhalis, Washington; daughter, Ruth (Robinson) Schake and husband Rod of Ashland, Nebraska; grandchildren, Caleb Lindley and Ashley Booth, Shido Lee and wife Kristine, Helana Lee, Asher Lee and Mariana Lee; Christopher Schake and fiancé Nycole Christensen, Jaclyn Schake and special friend Tyler Povondra; great grandchildren, Connor Lindley, Carsen Laursen, Abbigail Lindley, Colton Lindley, Amelia Schake; Lilian Schake and Liam Schake; and many other friends and family.

# Cemetery Details

## Geneva Public Cemetery

Geneva, NE 68361

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAY 31. 10:30 AM (CT)

First Congregational United Church of Christ  
906 H Street  
Geneva, NE 68361

## Graveside Service

MAY 31 (CT)

Geneva Public Cemetery  
Geneva, NE 68361

# Tribute Wall

CB

“ I SHOULD HAVE SHARED THIS STORY AT THE FUNERAL SERVICE.  
ABOUT 35 YEARS AGO MY NEPHEW BRANDON WALDRON WAS STAYING WITH MY DAD & I FOR A FEW WEEKS IN THE SUMMER. ONE FRIDAY AFTERNOON I WAS CHECKING FIRE TRUCKS AT THE STATION & TOOK BRANDON WITH ME. BOB PULLED UP IN HIS SEMI & ASKED WHAT WAS GOING ON. HE THEN WANTED TO KNOW IF BRANDON WANTED TO RIDE IN A SEMI? OF COURSE WAS THE ANSWER. BRANDON & I CLIMBED INTO THE CAB & WE DROVE OUT TO THE FAIRMONT AIRFIELD WERE BOB PARKED THE TRUCK. AS WE TURNED OFF THE HIGHWAY ON THE AIRBASE ROAD, BOB STOPPED THE TRUCK & SAID HAND HIM OVER TO ME - HE'S DRIVIN' ! I DID & WE TOOK OFF. BRANDON HAD A GRIN A MILE WIDE! WE HEADED FOR THE DITCH & I REACHED OVER TO GRAB THE WHEEL, GOT MY HAND SLAPPED & WAS TOLD HE'S DRIVIN' NOT YOU! WE SAFELY PARKED THE TRUCK & MADE IT BACK TO TOWN TO HAVE SOME BEERS, A POP & ENJOY THE TIME WITH A VERY IMPRESSED LITTLE BOY!  
CHARLIE BARBUR

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**CHARLIE BARBUR** - June 01, 2024 at 09:23 AM

Ruth Schake

Thank you Charlie ❤️

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**Ruth Schake** - June 12, 2024 at 01:07 PM



“ 20 files added to the album Flower Pictures



Farmer & Son Funeral Home - May 31, 2024 at 01:18 PM



“ Love from the Caring Friends Girls purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert D. "Bob" Robinson.



Love from the Caring Friends Girls - May 30, 2024 at 09:19 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Robert D. "Bob" Robinson.



May 29, 2024 at 04:42 PM

MG

“ Michael & Teri Gunson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert D. "Bob" Robinson.

Michael & Teri Gunson - May 28, 2024 at 10:14 AM



“ Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert D. "Bob" Robinson.



May 28, 2024 at 10:14 AM

LB

“ Scott, Ruth and family: My thoughts and prayers to all of you with your dad's passing. I could always count on him to greet me with a big hug and his wonderful laugh when I would see him! May your memories of him and your mom bring you comfort in the coming weeks. Lorri Barbur Burns

Lorri Burns - May 17, 2024 at 06:49 PM

WL

“ With deepest sympathy-American Labs planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert D. "Bob" Robinson.

With deepest sympathy-American Labs - May 17, 2024 at 02:00 PM

WL

“ *With deepest sympathy-American Labs purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Robert D. "Bob" Robinson.*



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**With deepest sympathy-American Labs** - May 17, 2024 at 02:00 PM

PU

“ *So many good memories of Bob with him and my dad! I believe the first 2 drivers that hauled out of Kanab for farmland. My prayers are with you Scott, Ruth and families!*



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**Pat (Ketter) Urbauer** - May 16, 2024 at 03:19 PM

LS

“ *Lauree Saum lit a candle in memory of Robert Robinson*



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**Lauree Saum** - May 14, 2024 at 07:09 PM

MS

“ *Mark & Sarah Reinsch*



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**Mark & Sarah** - May 14, 2024 at 04:19 PM

RP

“ Roger & Cindy Perkins lit a candle in memory of Robert Robinson



Roger & Cindy Perkins - May 14, 2024 at 12:16 PM

AD

“ Alan Dondlinger lit a candle in memory of Robert Robinson



Alan Dondlinger - May 13, 2024 at 10:12 AM

HF

“ Holly Rippe & Doug Fischer lit a candle in memory of Robert Robinson



Holly Rippe & Doug Fischer - May 13, 2024 at 08:10 AM



“ Sandi Renken lit a candle in memory of Bob Robinson, prayers for the family.



RodandSandi Renken - May 12, 2024 at 07:14 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Robert D. "Bob" Robinson.*



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May 12, 2024 at 11:29 AM



“ *My sympathy to Bob's family.*



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**Nancy Ward Hansen** - May 11, 2024 at 08:11 PM



“ *Kent & Rose Theobald lit a candle in memory of Robert Robinson*



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**Kent & Rose Theobald** - May 10, 2024 at 11:04 PM



“ *Ben & Nancy Pekar lit a candle in memory of Robert Robinson*



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**Ben & Nancy Pekar** - May 10, 2024 at 08:26 PM

BS

“ *Bob was a wonderful man. Always quick with a joke or anecdote to get the room laughing. He will be missed.* ”

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**Brad Schake** - May 10, 2024 at 12:32 PM

VJ

“ *Virginia Johnson lit a candle in memory of Robert Robinson* ”



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**Virginia Johnson** - May 10, 2024 at 12:27 PM

BT

“ *Barbara Trapp lit a candle in memory of Robert Robinson* ”



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**Barbara Trapp** - May 10, 2024 at 11:08 AM

LH

“ *Linda Heinisch lit a candle in memory of Robert Robinson* ”



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**Linda Heinisch** - May 10, 2024 at 06:28 AM

LD

“ *Lisa Dondlinger lit a candle in memory of  
Robert Robinson* ”



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**Lisa Dondlinger** - May 09, 2024 at 09:03 PM