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Robert (“Bob”) Douglas Lynd, 69, of Aldie, Virginia passed away on Monday, July 13, 2015.

Born September 29, 1945 in Selkirk, Canada, he was the son of the late Langtry Emmett Lynd and the late Violet May Lynd. Robert is survived by his wife Janet Elizabeth Lynd of Aldie, VA; his sons, James Robert Lynd, David Andrew Lynd, and Eric Douglas Lynd, as well as Eric’s wife Lacey Lynd (all of Northern Virginia); his sister Catherine Lynd (of Somerset, New Jersey); and his three grandsons Jacob George Lynd, Robert Josiah Lynd, and Lewis William Lynd.

Bob was a corporate law attorney, a United States Marine, a brother of the Kappa Delta Rho Fraternity, a member of the Arcola Volunteer Fire Department, and a member of Arcola United Methodist Church.

When he was two, Bob’s family moved from Selkirk, Canada to Plainfield, New Jersey where he and his family lived and he became a naturalized U.S. citizen. It was in Plainfield that he met his future wife, Janet, while attending North Plainfield High School; they would marry in 1968 and remained committed to each other for 46 years.

After earning a bachelor’s degree in Political Science from Bucknell University in 1967, Bob attended Georgetown Law School. Upon earning his Juris Doctorate, he served as in-house counsel for C&P Telephone Company, now Verizon, for over 30 years. After retiring as a Vice President in 2003, Bob and Janet briefly moved to Washington, NC, but returned to Northern Virginia in 2008 to be closer to their sons and grandchildren.

Bob’s enrollment at Georgetown was interrupted after the second year due to his service as an officer in the United States Marine Corps. After three years of service, he was honorably discharged as a Captain in 1972.



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It was at Bucknell where Bob became a member of the Kappa Delta Rho fraternity. As an undergraduate, Bob served in various leadership roles for the chapter, including President, Treasurer, and Social Chair. Later in life, he was a member of the fraternity's National Board of Directors for 24 years, more than half of them as the National President. Bob also served on the Board of the North-American Interfraternity Conference ("NIC") for 8 years, also serving as its President for one year. He believed strongly in the promise and value of the entire fraternal movement and his dedication was unwavering.

Bob was active within his community and was the consummate example of what it meant to be "your Brother's keeper." Bob's volunteerism was a life-long passion, his contributions to the many communities he lived in are far too extensive to fully list, but his work over the past decade provides a window into Bob's many interests and pursuits.

Bob volunteered for many years with the Arcola Volunteer Fire Department, serving as Secretary and utilizing his administrative acumen to ensure excellent operations of the department so it could best serve the community. In addition, he was very active within the Arcola United Methodist Church, assisting with numerous ministry activities. He also supported Gum Spring library in Aldie, served as an Assistant Precinct Chief for the Loudoun County Election Board, and was appointed to several Loudoun County government committees.

Beyond this long list of achievements, Bob was always "family first." He and Janet raised three sons who all graduated from Virginia Tech and obtained post-graduate degrees. Bob was a constant presence in his boys' lives, rarely missing a school or sporting event, supporting or coaching their athletic teams, and visiting them at college as often as possible. In addition, he served as the Scout Master, Assistant Scout Master, and other adult roles while the boys were members the Boy Scouts of America Troop 871.

It was Bob's character, integrity, and grace that made the greatest impression on those of who knew him. Bob greeted every person he met as if they were life-long friends. In tributes to him he has been called friend, coach, mentor, confidant, "brother", and "father."

Bob's memorial service was held on Saturday, August 1 at the Arcola Methodist Church, located at 24757 Evergreen Mill Road, Dulles, VA 20166. There was a visitation at 11:00 am with the memorial service starting at noon.



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In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to any of the following organizations:

- The Robert D. Lynd Memorial Scholarship of KDR: To donate, please visit www.kdrfoundation.org, click on the “Donate Now” link or send a check to 331 S. Main Street, Greensburg, PA 15601. Gifts should be designated to the “Robert D. Lynd Memorial Scholarship.”
- Arcola United Methodist Church (UMC): Donations may be mailed to Arcola United Methodist Church, 24757 Evergreen Mills Road, Dulles, Virginia 20166 or visit www.arcolachurch.org/giving. Donations can be made “In memory of Bob Lynd.”
- Capital Caring Adler In-Patient Center (hospice): Donations may be mailed 24419 Millstream Dr., Aldie, VA 20105. In the memo section please write in: “This is for Adler Center IPU.”
- Arcola Volunteer Fire Department (VFD): Donations may be mailed to Arcola Volunteer Fire Department, Attn: Treasurer, 42395 Ryan Rd., Suite #112-809, Brambleton, VA 20148 or visit <http://www.arcolavfd.org/#!/fundraising/crx7>. Donations can be made “In memory of Bob Lynd.”



Events

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Visitation

- Saturday**, August 1, 2015
- 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET
- Arcola United Methodist Church**
24757 Evergreen Mills Road, Sterling VA 20166



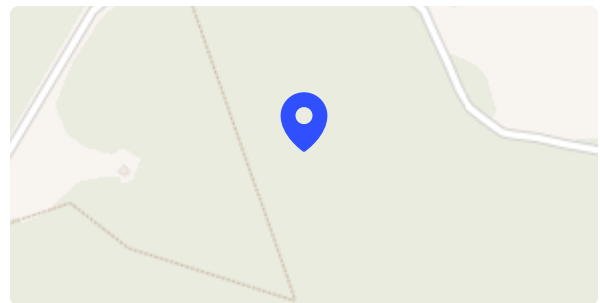
Service

- Saturday**, August 1, 2015
- 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM ET
- Arcola United Methodist Church**
24757 Evergreen Mills Road, Sterling VA 20166



Cemetery Details

- EcoEternity Forest**
21164 Steptoe Hill Road,, Middleburg VA





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JA

Julie Abel posted:

Bob was such a wonderful guy. He is going to be truly missed. Sending our heartfelt thoughts and prayers. The Abel Family

August 12 at 5:28 AM

IB

Irene Basore posted:

Janet, Jim, Eric and Dave, Bob was so special. I will always be grateful for the help he gave Jay ensuring that he was able to achieve eagle scout. It was so obvious how much he loved his family. You were all such good neighbors. May your wonderful memories sustain you during this difficult time. You are all in my prayers. Irene

August 2 at 4:26 PM

TT

Terry Terrenoire posted:

Bob & I were best friends for the year I lived in Plainfield, 1960 to 61. He was my Best Man when Ann & I married in December, 1966. Although we did not share a lot of time together over the following years, we did keep in touch, mainly thru Christmas cards & updates. I am SOOOO glad we made a few personal contacts during the past 4 years, once Ann & I decided to move back to Virginia. Some of my fondest HS memories include Bob and our common interests and mutual respect for each other. On several occasions we gathered at his house with numerous friends to play "spin the Bottle"!!! On Jan 20, 1961 Bob came over to my house to help me shovel out our driveway from the snow storm. Then we headed to his house where we watched the inauguration of JFK after cleaning the snow from his driveway. I am proud to have called Bob a good friend, and even more proud to have had him call me a friend! He will surely be missed by all who knew him and I have a very deep hole in my heart that will never be full again. God Bless, Bob, Rest in Peace! Terry Terrenoire, 10th grade classmate & Friend for life!

July 28 at 5:22 AM



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EA

Ethel Alexander posted:

Dear Janet, Jimmy, Dave and Eric, I was so very lucky to be your next door neighbor for a brief time in NC. We shared so many wonderful dinners and special times together. I was also fortunate to have met your sons and only grandson at the time, Jimmy, Dave, Eric and Jake. My heart broke when you moved but I realize that your move to Aldie, VA was probably the best move in your lives. Bob's accomplishments and the lives that he enriched while he lived is the gift that we all search for. There is no doubt in my mind that he fulfilled his life's purpose guided by our Lord and Savior and the mansion that has been prepared for him in Heaven will be very special. He'll be there to meet us all when our time comes. I know how much you and your family will miss him, but his memory will always be alive in the faces of your sons and grandsons. I will miss him too. My sincerest condolences. With love always, SAM

July 26 at 3:23 AM

MT

Matt Thompson posted:

I remember meeting Mr. Lynd at a KDR national conclave many years ago, and admiring the way that he presented himself and interacted with others. As president of a new chapter of the fraternity at Radford University many years ago, he sent me a lengthy personal letter of congratulations that I still vividly remember. As a young man Bob impressed me very much with his words of wisdom and encouragement. He served as a role model for me, as he did for many other young men, always demonstrating "honor above all things". Thank you, Mr. Lynd! I offer my sincerest condolences to the family.

July 22 at 10:18 AM

WF

Will Fagan posted:

Janet, Though we didn't see each other much over the years, I have always had a special place in my heart for you and Bob. As far back as our KDR days, he was always there as a friend and a mentor. This world has been better because of his life and the contributions he made to family, friends, and community. His laughter and presence are now in the heavens, and it is a better place because Bob is there. God bless you and your family. He will be missed.

July 21 at 11:57 AM



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SE

Sonia E. posted:

Dear Janet, I mourn with you. Bob's love for you, and others will always be remembered by me. He met me with encouraging words many times I sought your assistance via email, telephone, or face to face. The smile on his face, and inside his heart, brought sunny days for me and all those families he helped at the Loudoun Shelter. May you and your family rest knowing that the memories left behind will keep you strong and at peace. Sonia E.

July 21 at 6:03 AM

BM

Bill Moore posted:

My name is Bill Moore. I mourn your loss. But I wanted to share one memory. It was at Camp Highroad at a men's retreat for Arcola. All the men lumbered into the social hall, and I suspect many of the attendees were like me....wondering what we got ourselves into, and did I really need to be here for this event? Bob was our group leader. Who was this guy anyway? Well, who he was was a very talented speaker who had a knack for gaining rapport with everybody. His whole presentation for the remainder of that weekend was a "me too!" kind of experience where we shared stories and sang the songs. Bob was the one who guided the group and made the weekend what it turned out to be: a time of fellowship and a closeness that still burns brightly in my memory. That was his talent with everything he did. He made you feel like he was just like you, with the same struggles, the same tough questions, the same dreams and hopes that we all had.. Thank you Bob....Bill.

July 20 at 10:55 PM

PE

Peggy posted:

Dear Janet, Jimmy, Dave & Eric, I am so sorry for the loss of your beloved husband/dad. Bob was a wonderful, & fun, & kind man who loved his family & they met everything to him. He was a terrific neighbor too! We mourn your loss. Peggy & Normand Lussier

July 18 at 6:04 AM

EM

Earl McDonald posted:

Janet, So Sorry For your Loss. Bob was a good Man. Earl McDonald NPHS class of '63

July 16 at 8:31 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Robert by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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