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Bob departed this life with his family by his side and arrived at his eternal home on July 11, 2019, after a long illness. He leaves his loving spouse of 55 years, Ellen, and their four children; son, Byron and his wife Tisha of Allen, Texas; son Preston and his wife Stephanie of Portland, Oregon; son, Aaron and his wife Kari of Asheville, North Carolina; daughter, Robyn and her husband Aaron of Fort Worth, Texas; Grandsons: Zachary and Joshua Byrd, Andrew Michalove, Isaac and Colin Byrd, Simon and Lewis Byrd; Granddaughters: Allison Michalove, Nora Byrd, Caelin Davis; Brother: Jerry Byrd and his wife Janice of McKinney, Texas; as well as many numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Bob was born in Wichita Falls, Texas, on April 1, 1940, to the late Clifford and Ellen Byrd. He was a 1958 graduate of McKinney High School, a 1962 graduate of Baylor University where he was President of Hankamer School of Business and President of Alpha Kappa Psi Business Fraternity. Bob was a Certified Public Accountant and spent the majority of his career with Fox Byrd & Company, where he was named managing partner in 1989. Bob was a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants, and the Dallas Chapter of Certified Public Accountants. His clients said that Bob was more than a CPA; he was a counselor and friend to many. Bob was a member of Cliff Temple Baptist Church, Dallas, since 1972 where he served as the Chairman of the Deacons, the Chairman of the Finance, Personnel, and Missions Committees. Bob also served as the Chairman of the Key Church Council, Teacher of Andrew's Men's Sunday School Class, and a Trustee of Mission Oak Cliff. Additionally, Bob was a Member of the Executive Committee of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, a Member of the President's Circle at Baylor University, a Life member of the Baylor Alumni Association, a Trustee of Dallas Baptist University where he also served as the Chairman of the Finance Committee, the Secretary of the Board, and the Executive Committee of the Board. Dallas Baptist



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University honored him with the Good Samaritan Award in 1996. Bob cherished his family and enjoyed creating memories with them on vacations far and wide. Some of his favorite trips include touring throughout Europe, biking in the mountains of Colorado, and walking in the footsteps of Jesus in the Holy Land. Bob was an avid reader, a crossword puzzle enthusiast, and shared his dry sense of humor with all. He enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren who called him Papaw, and he had a warm and engaging demeanor with friends and family. Bob was a devoted Christian who loved the Lord and gave generously of his treasure, time, and talents. The memorial service for Bob will be held on Saturday, July 20, 2019, at 11 o'clock at Cliff Temple Baptist Church 125 Sunset Ave, Dallas, TX 75208, followed by a luncheon reception at the church. Visitation will be 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 pm on Friday, July 19, 2019 at Restland Funeral Home, 13005 Greenville Ave, Dallas, TX 75243. Memorials can be given in Bob's memory to Cliff Temple Baptist Church, 125 Sunset Avenue, Dallas, Texas, 75208. Also, Bob has been cared for by many skilled nurses since his diagnosis of transverse myelitis in 1995 that caused paraplegia. Therefore, he desires to help with the education of student nurses in honor of his RN wife. Checks may be made out to Baylor University, referencing the Ellen Byrd Endowed Scholarship Fund in Nursing (Acct. # 442SFNN) in the memo line or in a note included with the check. Gifts can be mailed to: University Advancement; One Bear Place #97026; Waco, Texas 76798-7026 or online at <https://www.baylor.edu/give/index.php?id=49837&a=3&f=442SFNN&scode=BUE.DOENDOW>.



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DT

Doyce Taylor posted:

Ellen and Family, the weight is heavy now, with prayers and support the weight will become easier.

July 17 at 12:54 PM

AM

Anne Mansur posted:

Dear Ellen, I was so saddened to learn of Bob's passing. My prayers are with you and all the family.
Love, Anne Mansur

July 15 at 6:03 AM

WB

William E Ballou posted:

I'm so grateful Bob was a friend. Many happy memories of lots of good times at FBC, McKinney. Sic 'Em, Bears! William Ballou, BA '60

July 14 at 2:28 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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