



Robert "Bob" E. Zibell

September 26, 1954 - February 9, 2021

Robert "Bob" E. Zibell was born on September 26, 1954 in Albany, New York to Robert Edward Zibell, Sr. and Patricia (Gaul) Zibell. He died on Tuesday, February 9, 2021 in Muskogee, Oklahoma at the age of 66. Bob was raised in Albany, New York. He then enlisted and served his country honorably in the United States Navy. Bob was married on January 31, 1977 in Annapolis, Maryland to Gail Christine (Daily) Zibell. After having three children, Bob and Gail moved to Owasso, Oklahoma in 1984. Bob earned his Bachelor of Science degree from Northeastern State University in Tahlequah, Oklahoma. He spent most of his working life as an aerospace engineer with Rockwell and Boeing in Tulsa, totaling over 40 years in the industry. In his spare time, Bob enjoyed hunting, fishing, gardening, bird watching, and carpentry work. Those he leaves behind who hold many cherished memories include:

His wife;

Gail Zibell

3 Children;

Chris Zibell

Michael Zibell

Kelly Zibell

4 Grandchildren;

Morgan, Carter, Riley, Marshall

2 Sisters;

Wendy Downy

Laurie Zibell Coleman

He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Patricia, his brother, Brian, and his daughter-in-law Brandi (Stone) Zibell.

Visitation will be held from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 17, 2021 at Mowery Funeral Service in Owasso. Private family interment will be held on a later date at Ridgelawn Cemetery in Collinsville, Oklahoma.

Tribute Wall



“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Robert "Bob" E. Zibell.



February 17, 2021 at 10:59 AM



“ Imran Keen purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Robert "Bob" E. Zibell.



Imran Keen - February 17, 2021 at 09:48 AM



“ Bob and I met over the phone in '97; the story is not repeatable, but unforgettable! Shortly after, there was a bond that lasted over decades. You didn't have to agree with Bob (if you did, you were a wing-nut); he respected those that stood on their own thoughts. Bob showed me and my boys the ins and outs of duck hunting - he would even come rescue us when the vehicle was stuck or just broke down. As others mentioned, time would pass and you'd hear more about the grandkids :).
Bottom line is that Bob was real and I loved him for that!

Jerry Colombo - February 16, 2021 at 03:46 PM

GO

“ *Bob was a wonderful person and a great guy to work with. Prayers of peace and comfort to the family.* ”

Georgia Oldham - February 15, 2021 at 09:54 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Robert "Bob" E. Zibell.* ”



February 15, 2021 at 06:26 PM

RP

“ *Bob is one of the best bosses a lady could have in a male dominated industry. Bob called in my first goose I ever shot on Ft. Gibson lake. Steve and I loved our friendship and will always treasure our memories.* ”

Robin & Steve Pearce - February 15, 2021 at 05:39 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Robert "Bob" E. Zibell.* ”



February 15, 2021 at 04:00 PM

CZ

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Chris Zibell - February 15, 2021 at 12:22 PM

CZ

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Chris Zibell - February 15, 2021 at 12:16 PM

EB

“ Bob was an outstanding Boss and friend. I became a Supervisor very early in my career and had no idea how to manage, but more importantly how to lead. Bob helped me in every aspect of my job. I remember a couple of pieces of advice that has stayed true with me to this day. ‘Try and please everyone and you please no one’. Stop getting aggravated about a few guys coming in late. It’s what they get accomplished during the day that counts”.

I was really looking forward to my retirement, moving back to Owasso and spending quality time with Bob. I called him a few months ago and had a great visit with him. He expressed how much he loves his family and especially his grandchildren. I will miss him so much! Pam and I will continue our prayers for Gail and the family during this challenging and difficult time. We love you all.

Ernie Beard - February 15, 2021 at 11:21 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert "Bob" E. Zibell.*



February 15, 2021 at 10:41 AM



“ *There are so many memories it is hard to single out one. I guess I will miss his great sense of humor and his ability to make fun of any situation*



jim gaul - February 15, 2021 at 09:02 AM



“ *Sent a gift in memory of Robert "Bob" E. Zibell*



Wendy Downey - February 14, 2021 at 01:44 AM



“ *I'm so sorry for the loss of your loved one. May the Lord give you peace and may you know you're in my prayers! Deborah Storts*

Deborah Storts - February 13, 2021 at 03:11 AM

WD

“ Wendy Downey sent a virtual gift in memory of
Robert "Bob" E. Zibell



Wendy Downey - February 13, 2021 at 12:45 AM

WD

“ Things meant to say were always put off another day,
But years went by and now the time has slipped away.
I can only hope you knew in your heart that I'd want no other,
Because I couldn't have asked for a better big brother
Rest in peace Bobby 🙏
Love 'ya always
Wendy

Wendy Downey - February 12, 2021 at 11:36 PM

JP

“ Working around Bob was always interesting and a lot of the time
comical and definitely not boating
Jim Perrier

Jim Perrier - February 11, 2021 at 06:18 PM

DO

“ I am so sorry to hear of Bob's passing. I think that photo you are showing is just perfect. You can see that twinkle in his eyes :)

I worked with Bob at Rockwell/Boeing in the 90s and early oughts. I enjoyed working with him. He knew the technology, how to be a good boss, and was just an all-around great person to be around.

I know this hurts now. Things will get better as the good memories overcome the grief.

I wish you all grace, peace, strength, peace, and ultimately, Joy

David Odendahl

David Odendahl - February 11, 2021 at 05:02 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Robert "Bob" E. Zibell.*



February 11, 2021 at 12:20 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert "Bob" E. Zibell.*



February 10, 2021 at 01:53 PM