



Robert L. Craig

March 14, 1940 - June 22, 2022

Robert Lawrence Craig, age 82, of Strongsville, Ohio went home to be with his Lord on June 22, 2022. On March 14, 1940, he was born to the late Frederick Lawrence Craig and Beulah Irene (Todd) Craig. He was preceded in death by his parents, his beloved wife, Judie (Allen) Craig (1945-2016), sister Carol Louise Craig (1934-2001), and sister Phyllis Lee (Craig) Rose. He is survived by nieces Mary Elizabeth Rose of Delaware, Ohio, Susan G. Rose (Edwin) of Delaware, Ohio, Alison Ritchie of Columbus, Ohio, and Molly (Rose) Stockton (Jason) of Covington, Kentucky.

Robert enlisted in the Army immediately after graduating from Berea High School, where he specialized in communications overseas. Always a proud veteran of the armed forces, Robert carried on his life of service with his involvement in community service, including lifelong membership in the Kiwanis organization. Robert called several places home, including Cleveland, Bucyrus, and Strongsville, as he rose through the ranks of finance culminating in retirement from Key Bank. Robert's favorite work activity was teaching. Throughout his career he taught Finance and Banking principles at many different educational institutions, including The Ohio State University.

Robert was an avid golfer. He and Judie loved to travel to famous golf courses all over the country to play and soak up the rich culture of Pebble Beach, Augusta, Muirfield, and Maui, to name a few. His love of golf and travel was something he and Judie, the love of his life, enjoyed and shared.

Robert was also an avid music lover and supporter. He was an attendee and philanthropist of the arts in Cleveland supporting the Cleveland Symphony, Baldwin Wallace Conservatory, and the Cleveland Playhouse. His philanthropic endeavors also reached into his community supporting college scholarships for community young people, Kiwanis projects, local colleges, and church outreach.

Services will be held at the Jardine Funeral Home at 15822 Pearl Rd Strongsville, Ohio on July 1, 2022 where the family will receive friends for visiting from 4:00 to 6:00 with a service at 6:00.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 1. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Jardine Funeral Home
15822 Pearl Road
Strongsville, OH 44136

Funeral Service

JUL 1. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ In 1975 Bob was a District Manager for Pacific Finance Company and he hired me to manage one of his branches. It was a troubled branch and Bob and I worked together to get it back on solid footing. We had remarkable success and became good friends in the process, although there was some good-natured debate over which of us was really responsible for the turnaround.

In any case, the friendship endured throughout the decades and we, along with our wives, enjoyed many good times together. We played golf, went boating on Lake Erie, and generally enjoyed each other's company. Bob and Judie were regular attendees at family gatherings and celebrations that we had at our homes in Strongsville and Olmsted Falls. Bob played golf weekly with Chris's dad, George Dobrovic, and I for years at Little Met and Royal Crest. Those were really fun rounds of golf.

In short, Bob was a great friend to me and my family for many, many years and we will miss him. He was a caring and principled man who will not be forgotten.

Our condolences to all of his family members. You should all take pride in the man he was.

Jim and Chris Prosek

Jim Prosek - July 01 at 04:18 PM

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“ From Jim & Mary McLane purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Robert L. Craig.



From Jim & Mary McLane - June 30 at 12:36 PM

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“ Robert was baptized at the Strongsville United Church of Christ on May 5, 2019 and he joined our congregation as a member the following month. In the relatively short time he was a member at Strongsville UCC, he made a great impact with his kindness, generosity, and loving spirit. I enjoyed our meaningful conversations and his sharing of stories and ideas. He will truly be missed.

Irene Joyce (Secretary at SUCC)



Irene Joyce - June 29 at 09:24 AM

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“ I had the pleasure of meeting Bob when I joined the Kiwanis Club of Strongsville. Bob was a very valued member of our Club and I am very happy to have met him and spent time with him. He always had a warm smile and a gentle heart. He will be missed by all of the lives he touched.

God Bless you Bob. You had an impact on many people who had the pleasure of meeting and knowing you.

Daryl

Jim Thomas - June 29 at 08:21 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Robert L. Craig.



June 28 at 06:38 PM