



## George R. Pugh

November 13, 1937 - February 5, 2022

George (Bob), of Alexandria, Va., passed away in his home on Saturday, February 5, 2022, with his loving wife by his bedside. He is preceded in death by his parents, George Howard Pugh, and Mary Alice O’Kane Pugh. He is survived by his beloved wife of 63 years Rose Pugh; Loving father to Gina M. Gill, Christopher J. Pugh, Deborah A. Dietrick, Barbara A. Pugh, Susan M. Regnier and Robert J. Pugh; Loving Grandfather (Papa) to (14) Grandchildren, (14) Great Grandchildren and (1) Great Great Grandchild; and Loving sisters Dee Ann Pugh Ziegler and Antonia (Toni) Pugh Highberger-Grimes.

Bob was a God-fearing man, who was loved by all. He adored his wife, loved his family, and touched the lives of countless others. He will be sadly missed but his family is comforted knowing that he is now and forever with his Lord and Savior.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Louis Catholic Church, 2907 Popkins Ln, Alexandria, VA 22306 on Saturday, February 12 at 11AM. Inurnment at Mt. Comfort Cemetery will take place on a later date.

In lieu of flowers, Memorial contributions may be made in George’s honor to the Glioblastoma (Cancer) Research Organization at [www.GBMRESEARCH.ORG](http://www.GBMRESEARCH.ORG) or to the George Pugh Memorial Fund. Please contact the family to learn more about the George Pugh Memorial Fund which is still in the process of being established.

A livestream of the service at St. Louis Catholic Church is available.. Please view at <https://saintlouisparish.org>.

You’ll see the “Live-streaming: Daily Mass & Weekend Mass” option on the upper right. The funeral broadcast won’t appear until it’s the next to stream (so after the 8:45 Mass concludes).

# Previous Events

## Mass of Christian Burial

FEB **12**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Louis Roman Catholic Church  
2907 Popkins Lane  
Alexandria, VA 22306  
<https://www.saintlouisparish.org/>

# Tribute Wall

KA

“ We are so very sorry to hear of the loss of Bob Pugh. He and Rose were shining stars in my life. They were family. They were always driving us to all of our basketball games. I was on Bobbi Ann's team and we were good friends. We had so much fun. I always knew that when I arrived at St Louis School, Mr Pugh and his wife would be waiting to drive me and my teammates to the game! May you rest in peace Mr Pugh, and may God bless and comfort Rose and all their children as well as their families.  
We love you all!  
Kathy Boska Baca and family  
The Boska Family

Kathy - March 08 at 11:48 AM

WP

“ Simply missing you Dad Pugh-



Wendy Pugh - February 27 at 01:04 PM

MW

“ Bob, my cousin, was truly a great friend! I will miss him forever, will miss his jokes, his kindness and understanding. Every year for many years he and Rose would always stop at my house to spend a night or two to visit when they were traveling cross country to spend time with their daughter Susie, Scott and children. We had a very good time, going out to eat, shopping, playing cards and upwards! I loved having them stay with me as they were a joy to be with! Heaven gained a great angel, he will be looking out for Rose and family! He is in a much better place than we are and I'm looking forward to seeing him again!

Mary Jane Ward - February 20 at 08:21 PM

MC

“ Mary Ann Cincinnati lit a candle in memory of George R. Pugh



Mary Ann Cincinnati - February 17 at 11:57 PM

MC

“ Uncle Bob was the “King “ of Uncles! So much fun... from playing cards to shooting hoops in the backyard. He was also a jokester. I remember when I was a kid he bent my arm and started rubbing it super fast just to find out, once he straightened my arm out, the hairs were all in knots. Uncle Bob, you will be greatly missed. But this is not the end; this is just the beginning of a beautiful eternal life. This is not goodbye, but see you later. One day we will see you and our loved ones again. I, for one, look forward to it. May God keep you in His Tender Loving Care. Rest In Peace. 🙏



Mary Ann Cincinnati - February 17 at 11:55 PM

TS

“ What an amazing and loving legacy Bob has left behind in Rose and the entire Pugh family. While I only saw him and Rose on very rare occasions over the years, when they visited mom in Ohio - the first thought of him is of his warm smile and his kind and fun loving way.

*What a wonderful, full life he led!*

*He is no doubt, looking down from heaven - smiling and sending strength and love to Rose and all of his family and friends.*

*Heaven has gained a very special Angel.*

*Sending hugs and love to his whole family - and prayers for strength over the coming weeks...as your moments of sadness are replaced with only wonderful memories of him.*

*Love, Cousin Theresa (Ward) Sauner*

theresa sauner - February 17 at 11:24 PM

SR

“ I want to echo what Chris said. Words can't begin to tell everyone how grateful we are for the outpouring of love and support. I am still coming to terms that our amazing father is no longer with us. He had an amazing life but will be missed by everyone who knew him.



*A quote that I like to share:*

*You never stop grieving, because you never stop loving!!*

*We miss you so much Dad and will see you again.*

susie regnier - February 17 at 07:09 PM

“ Thank you, each and everyone of you that shared a message, a story, a memory, lit a candle, called or sent a text to the family, lived streamed the funeral service or attended in person. Your kind words and prayers are greatly appreciated and very touching. Thank you for keeping dad's memory alive.

*Dad was the greatest father a kid (or grown adult), could ever hope for and his love for mom was undeniable. Mom and Dad were together for 68 years, married 63.*

*Dad was truly a remarkable man. His warmth, kindness and love toward and for others was unmistakable and others responded in kind, he was loved by everyone.*

*I thank God, for being able to call him Dad and for being raised in a loving Christian home, because I know I will see him again, and be reunited with other family members, brothers and sisters that have gone before us.*

*Thank you and God bless.*

*Chris*

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**Chris Pugh** - February 17 at 03:37 PM

MW

“ Bob and Rose (my mom’s cousin), godparents to me and my sister, have always felt like an uncle and aunt to us, with the warmth and cheer they exude.

Growing up in Ohio, I rarely visited them, or Gina, Chris, Debbie, Bobbi Ann, Susie, and Robby. God’s plan changed that, when I got my first “real” job with Virginia Power in the mid 80’s, and moved from Akron, Ohio to Woodbridge, VA. We rekindled our relationships.

Bob and Rose created a wonderful, exemplary family. The powerfully positive personal attributes of Bob and Rose are manifested in their children.

We enjoyed occasional hoops sessions on the court behind the house, meals, and just shooting the breeze. Bob and I would discuss technical topics now and then, and I distinctly recall thermal safety switches as one of the subjects. It was an interesting topic, at least for the two of us.

I was at nearby Beacon Mall, doing a little shopping, then having problems starting the car. Using a pay phone, I called Bob, not AAA for help. Bob made himself available, arrived in a few minutes, and got the car up and running.

In many more ways, Bob, Rose, and the Pugh family made my transition to life near the Beltway, and away from Ohio friends and family, much easier.

The eulogy by Chris was outstanding, and borrowing from it, again thanks to Chris, this stands out as an accurate takeaway.

Every person that knew Bob, is a better person for having known him.

God has taken one of his finest faithful followers in Bob, to his eternal kingdom.

Bob is and will be profoundly missed, and forever loved.

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**Michael Ward** - February 14 at 12:11 PM

MM

“ Met Mr. Pugh at his wonderful daughter’s (Deb) surprise birthday party and had a great time getting to know him, his beautiful wife and the rest of the family. R.I.P. sweet Angel...you will definitely be missed.

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**Maddie Melendez** - February 13 at 08:24 AM

SH

“ *In Honor of a Great Man, always enjoyed his stories around the kitchen table! Steve & Donna Hurd*



Steve & Donna Hurd - February 12 at 10:03 AM

JS

“ *Bobble,*

*I am so sorry for your loss. I know you have many happy memories of your time together which will remind you of the wonderful life you both shared. Please take care of yourself during this difficult time.*

*Tom and Janice*

janice siemsen - February 12 at 10:02 AM

JP

“ *Papa, you will be greatly missed. Glad we have so many wonderful memories and this big family to cherish!*

*Love,  
Jeff & Gina Pugh*

Jeff & Gina Pugh - February 12 at 09:48 AM

MF

“ *We will miss our big hearted Uncle Bob who always had a good story to tell and loved to make people laugh.*



Mary Ann Gainer and Family - February 11 at 01:56 PM

KG

“ *Our family has so many wonderful memories shared with Rose and Bob and the Pugh family and we will always remember Papa Bob for his kind soul and hearty laugh and cherish those special memories. He was loved by many and will be greatly missed. Our hearts, thoughts and prayers are with Rose and the Pugh family.*

Kathy Gallagher - February 10 at 11:31 PM

MK

“ Maurice & Sherri Katoen lit a candle in memory of George R. Pugh



Maurice & Sherri Katoen - February 10 at 08:59 PM

CW

“ There are sooooo many great memories of you Mr. Pugh and your family, from childhood into our adult lives. You always brought such joy, laughter and a dose of sarcasm. You will surely be missed Mr. Pugh. Praying for comfort Mrs. Pugh and the entire family as you grieve your loss. Love you all and miss you! Please keep me posted about the memorial fund.

Carol Walter - February 10 at 01:20 PM

TL

“ Timothy And Andrea Lannan lit a candle in memory of George R. Pugh



Timothy and Andrea Lannan - February 10 at 09:56 AM

SU

“ I will miss you Uncle Bob. I never saw you without a smile on your face and enjoying life to it's fullest. You were dearly loved by all. -Suzanne Gainer



Suzanne - February 09 at 10:14 PM

KF

“ Karen Ennis Villegas And Family lit a candle in memory of George R. Pugh



Karen Ennis Villegas and family - February 09 at 08:06 PM

DB

“ Nate and I always enjoyed the time we spent with you and Rose. Rest in peace

Debbie Beavers - February 09 at 12:51 PM

BA

“ Beth Alexander lit a candle in memory of George R. Pugh



Beth Alexander - February 09 at 11:21 AM

JB

“ We miss you so much Papa! Rest peacefully... Until we meet again ❤️❤️

We love you, always  
Jennifer & Julianna



Jennifer Baker - February 09 at 11:14 AM

WL

Dad. I will miss you! Rest peacefully and I know that I have another guardian angel watching over me! Love you always!

Wanda Layne - February 09 at 02:59 PM

MC

You were the best uncle ever. You were always so much fun. I can only imagine what a wonderful father you must have been. May you Rest In Peace Uncle Bob. You will be missed, but this is not the end. It's the beginning of a new joyous life, and one day we will be joined with you and all our loved ones. Tell Mom & Dad, Grandma & Grandpa I love and miss them so. See you later Uncke Bob until we meet again.💕💕

Mary Ann Cincinnati - February 09 at 07:39 PM

SH

“ Sonjia & Gordon Hurd lit a candle in memory of George R. Pugh



Sonjia & Gordon Hurd - February 09 at 10:10 AM

SH

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Sonjia & Gordon Hurd - February 09 at 10:07 AM

JF

“ Jimmy & Maureen Lacaria & Family lit a candle in memory of George R. Pugh



Jimmy & Maureen Lacaria & family - February 09 at 06:54 AM



“ I cannot remember a time the Pughs were not a part of our family. Mr Pugh always had a gentle smile and a booming laugh. He and my Dad were two peas in a pod. I was lucky enough to run into Gina, and her folks at Costco a few months ago, it was so very good to chat and see that beautiful smile one last time. Give Mom a hug for me please Mr Pugh. Rest well dear sir, the Farmers and the Pughs will meet again one day.

Kim Farmer - February 08 at 08:21 PM

JH

“ Jean Hurd lit a candle in memory of George R. Pugh



Jean Hurd - February 08 at 05:18 PM

JH

“ *Bob, You have been a great friend through out the years  
Have enjoyed wonderful time's with you and your beautiful  
family. Will surely miss you. Love you*



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**Jean Hurd** - February 08 at 05:17 PM

MR

“ *Marie Romberger lit a candle in memory of George R. Pugh*



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**Marie Romberger** - February 08 at 04:43 PM

TH

“ *You will be greatly missed, Mr. George. We all loved you so very much. You  
made us smile just by walking into the Union Hall and saying hello. Your  
kindness, knowledge, and teachings will live on forever with all of those you have  
touched. Local #10 has many well educated and smart elevator men/women  
because you took the time to teach them what they needed to know. I loved  
calling you the God Father of Local #10. Everyone knew who you were and  
always knew if they needed someone to talk to, you would take the time to do so.  
Rest in Peace, Mr. George, until we meet again in the Kingdom of God.  
My thoughts and prayers are with you Ms. Rose and the entire family in this time  
of sorrow. All my love.*

*Tammie Harris, Local #10*

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**Tammie Harris** - February 08 at 02:45 PM

TM

“ *Tiffany McGuire lit a candle in memory of George R. Pugh*



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**Tiffany McGuire** - February 08 at 01:37 PM

MR

“ I miss you so much Papa!! I know you are up above watching over us all. I can't wait to see you again! I love you so much!!

Love always, Marie, Alexis, Stephon, Cameron, Donny, and Violet Rose 💕

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**Marie Romberger** - February 08 at 12:35 PM

SW

“ We miss you terribly, Papa/Great Papa, but take comfort in knowing you are at peace and with the Angels.

We love you so very much,  
Samantha, Ryan, Ainsley & Berkley



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**Samantha (Pugh) Woellner** - February 08 at 11:40 AM

WP

“ Wendy Pugh lit a candle in memory of George R. Pugh



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**Wendy Pugh** - February 08 at 11:13 AM