



Robert B. Magruder

August 5, 1942 - September 17, 2018

Robert Bruce Magruder (Age 76)

Col US Army (Ret.)

The quintessential soldier's soldier, West-Point class of 1964, career soldier, artillery, and 3 time All-American swimmer, passed away on Monday, September 17, 2018. Robert was the son of the late Peyton Magruder and Julia Motley-Magruder. Loving husband to Angie for 50 years; father to Cynthia Magruder, and Scott Magruder (Venus); Brother of Marshall Magruder (Lucy) and the late Douglas Magruder, KIA Vietnam. A kinder man there never was. Relatives and friends may call at Jefferson Funeral Chapel, 5755 Castlewellan Dr., Alexandria VA on Thursday, September 27, 2018 from 5-9PM. Funeral service will be held at Ft. Myer Old Post Chapel on Monday, February 11, 2019 at 11 AM with interment, with full military honors, following in Arlington National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project.

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September 26, 2018 at 12:00 AM



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“ Bob Magruder had a giant influence on my life and I am sure I am only one of many young officers Bob helped during his great career. As a young artillery field grade officer, Bob insured I landed on my feet in his 3rd Armored Divarty. Further, Bob placed me directly into a battalion as an XO, insuring I would get the experience I needed down the line as a battalion commander. Sharon and I got to know Bob and Angie, and a life long friendship began. Bob loved West Point and the Army, as did Angie. God Speed, Bob. Angie, our prayers are with you. With much love and respect,
Pat ('73) and Sharon Kane

September 25, 2018 at 12:00 AM



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September 22, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ I first saw Bob swimming breaststroke in the kickoff of the plebe season. I was in awe of his power, stamina and flow. I became a fan. Joint assignments to Ft Sill (Artillery CDC) and DC as well meetings for Tuesday Burgers were a highlight to catch up. He was a hero. Ray Spinosa

September 22, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ My precious husband, Allen F. Jones, USMA '64 , shared a love and respect for Bob that I never fully appreciated until I saw it in action on the ski slopes of Colorado and Utah. The enthusiasm, passion and energy of Bob, mirrored by another classmate, Bob Michela, and their wives Angie and Cathy, was unmatched during these memorable trips. May these 3 "band of brothers" rest in peace and may their lives and memories live on in those who knew and loved them.

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“ Robert's family: I'm so sorry for your loss. I went through a similar situation and I was very helped by the hope that I found in the Bible in John 5: 28, which says, "Do not be amazed at this, for the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out". I am sending you a link with more information on this hope. <https://www.jw.org/en/publications/magazines/awake-no3-2018-nov-dec/>

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“ My classmate Bob and I served together in the late 1980's as colonels in Germany with the 3rd Armored Division. Bob commanded the Division Artillery, our most lethal capability defending the Fulda Gap against the Soviet 8th Guards Army. As the division's chief of staff, I saw Bob's brilliance, dynamism, active leadership, and persistently creative mind at work constantly during our year together. Never shy, Bob was a huge and positive contributor to the division's mission, to our unit's military family, and to our German-American community activities. His involvement with our West Point Class activities over the years and especially in retirement was awesome and irreplaceable. Who could not love, or ever forget Bob's spark, athleticism, that confident but endearing smile, and those eyes that seemed to read your mind?
Mike Davison

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“ Steven Perryman
Bob and I were in different parts of the Corps during cadet days, so we did not know each other. However, once the Class Ski Trips started, we spent a great deal of time together, falling down, laughing, talking politics, laughing, you get the picture. We also had a lot of verbal arm wrestling over whether I should change my name to Bob or he should change his to Steve, since our wives were both named Angie and our child were both Scott and Cindy. During our time together I learned that his father had sketched out the basic design of the B-26 Marauder on a napkin and that Bob and his brother were active in the Marauder Legacy group. Subsequently, the group, including some of the bomber's WWII pilots, met in Tucson, and Bob was kind enough to invite me to attend their sessions. Getting to know Bob and Angie over the years after graduation proved to be one of the great pleasures of being in the Class of 1964. Bob truly was a mighty engine, both in size and personality -- I miss him terribly.

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