



ROBERT NAUDIN
Science Club



Robert Naudin Obituary

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Robert James Naudin, born January 10, 1945, died on Nov. 12, 2023, at the age of 78. He left this world as gently as he lived his life. Robert learned he had an aggressive cancer just three weeks before he passed. Robert "Bob" grew up in El Paso, Texas, in a large and loving family, graduating from Burges High School.

He loved having Blue Bell ice cream and Sprite in his refrigerator at all times. He loved buying golf shirts and shoes. He loved Roy Orbison and Elvis Presley music. He loved playing Spades and dominoes. But mostly, he loved his family - all of them.

And they loved him back.

His priority was his wife and family. He lived a principled life and was

known for his kindness. He was one of those people who always seemed to know what his friends and family needed. He showed up and was there to do what he could to help others.

When his kids asked him what he wanted for his birthday or Christmas, he always simply said, "a little respect." It was a lifelong response and lesson for his children who continue to hold him in their utmost respect and say the same to their children.

As a young man, he was drafted into the Army and honorably served as a helicopter crewman and mechanic in Vietnam, only receiving a hero's welcome many decades later.

After serving in Vietnam, he moved to Dallas to begin a long and successful career in retail and met his beautiful wife, Ann, of 53 years. In his early career, he had positions with FedMart, Gordon Jewelry Corporation and United Jewelers where he made lifelong friends. Bob raised his own family in Humble, Texas, where he was very active in his faith at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church. He was always leading at work and in his devotion to his faith and charities. At church he was a Parish Council leader, and organized the Fall Bazaar each year. He was a devoted father and role model to his two children and his four grandchildren.

In the early 90's, he continued his zest for retail by relocating to San

Diego to work with Costco Wholesale as a General Manager for two decades. He was hand selected by Costco to build and open many of the new warehouses across Southern California. Bob even enjoyed spending his free time shopping at Costco. After 20 years of managing multiple warehouse locations in San Diego, he retired and relocated to Sun City, Georgetown, Texas. Even then, he never left the "cult" that was the Costco family.

Back in Texas, he enjoyed days of golf with his buddies who meant the world to him. When his days of customizing his cars ended, his focus shifted to his golf cart. His golf cart was the envy of the neighborhood. Beyond golf, he coordinated and enjoyed many monthly breakfasts with his fellow buddies in retirement.

Bob and his wife, Ann, enjoyed traveling with their family and friends. He volunteered with the Ride On Center for Kids (ROCK) organization that supports children and veterans with disabilities, and organized golf tournaments for charities he believed in. He became the first "flagman" of his neighborhood.

Above all, Bob lived his life full of light, love, kindness, and laughter.

He is survived by his wife Ann, daughter Michelle Raby (Todd) in San Diego, California, and son Robert Naudin, Jr., in Houston, Texas, and grandchildren, Grant and Gray Raby, Charlie and Sydney Naudin,

along with brother Douglas and sisters Delfina Briones, Zita Norte, Becky Akin and Emilia Prieto.

He passed away peacefully at MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, surrounded by his family. He is now in the loving arms of our Father.

A funeral mass will be held on Friday, January 5, 2024, at 1:00 pm at Santa Rosa de Lima Catholic Church in Andice, Texas. In lieu of flowers, donations to ROCK at rockride.org/donate/ are preferred.

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