

Remembering

a Life Well Lived

Robert “Bob” Morgan
February 8, 1933 - January 20, 2021

The Morning Star Foundation was honored to have Bob Morgan serve on the Board. He embodied the different areas that the Foundation believes every kid should develop to have the self-confidence they need to succeed: Home. Family. Friends. Learning and Fun.

Robert L Morgan was born on February 8, 1933 to Gladys and Earnest Morgan. He passed away peacefully on January 20, 2021 at Sacred Heart Medical Center with family present. He excelled in athletics earning 11 letters in football, baseball, basketball and track. He was President of the Senior Class and Valedictorian at Clarkson High School and received his Eagle Scout award then. He attended Washington State University in 1951 and played varsity basketball as a sophomore. While there he was elected President of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity and also President of the Interfraternity Council. He was a staunch Cougar and served as President of the WSU alumni association and was named “Dad of the year” when his son was a student at WSU. In 1990 he received the “WSU Alumni Achievement Award” for his numerous contributions to the school, and in 2013 he was awarded the “Diamond Donors Award” in recognition of 50 years of generous financial assistance to the University.

He and Mary Ruddell were married on October 1st, 1955 in Lewiston Idaho and recently celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary. Bob was a lover of life and especially enjoyed raising their three children Jeff, Terri, and Roger Morgan in Spokane. He was active in all of their activities and interests and also those of his seven grandchildren. Many summers were spent in Priest Lake, Idaho with children, grandchildren, friends, and relatives. They all enjoyed his campfires, smores, and songs.

He and Mary were fortunate to have many travel adventures. Some of their favorites were rafting on the Colorado River through the Grand Canyon, spending five weeks each year at Sea Mountain on the Big Island of Hawaii, Ireland with the Limerick Society, Wales, China, Australia, New Zealand, England, the Scandinavian Capitals, and St. Petersburg, South Africa was a great experience as well.

Those of us that knew Robert “Bob” Morgan may have known him in many ways: Father. Husband. Grandfather. Colleague. Mentor. Friend. Today, we take a moment to pay respects to a man who had a wonderful sense of humor, a lover of life, and an ability to make everyone believe in themselves.

