



Charles Robert "Bob" Totheroh

July 19, 1930 - February 6, 2019

Charles Robert "Bob" Totheroh, 88, of Wellington, IL, passed away peacefully on Wednesday evening (February 6, 2019) at Carle Foundation Hospital in Urbana, IL, following a brief illness. At his bedside were his son, four of his granddaughters, his son-in-law, and his former daughter-in-law.

Bob was born on July 19, 1930, in Lovejoy Township where he made his lifelong home. After graduating from Wellington High School, he enlisted in the United States Air Force and soon married Louise Leverenz of Wellington on August 24, 1951. Soon after, Bob was deployed to Morocco where Louise and their eldest daughter, Kathy, later joined him. Following his discharge from the service, the family returned to Wellington where Bob began a career at Wellington State Bank, serving as Vice President and Manager for nearly 20 years. He then went on to start the Totheroh Insurance Agency with offices in Hoopeston and Milford, which he operated until his retirement.

An excellent conversationalist, Bob became an authority on local area history and loved nothing more than to regale anyone who would listen with his "seemingly endless tales" of his own life experiences and the scores of fascinating people he met along the way. He was a lifelong student of agriculture and financial markets and enjoyed golf, collecting coins, and watching Illini sports in his spare time.

Bob is survived by one sister, Norma Irvin, of Wellington; one son, Todd Totheroh of Bloomington; one son-in-law, Eric "Rick" Bach of Bloomington, IL; 6 granddaughters, Whitney Totheroh of Bloomington, IL, Lacey Stroink of Dallas, TX, Taylor (Cody) Robinson of Atlanta, IL, Emma, Grace, and Sophie Totheroh of Bloomington, IL; two great – granddaughters, Lillian and Delilah Robinson; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a brother, Maury of Wellington; his wife, Louise; and two daughters, Kathy Stroink and Cindy Bach.

He was a member of the Milford Christian Church and served his community in many volunteer positions over the years.

Visitation will be held 4:00 – 7:00 P.M. Tuesday February 12, 2019 at Anderson Funeral Home 427 E. Main St., Hoopeston, IL. The funeral service will be held at 11:00 A.M. Wednesday February 13, 2019 at the funeral home, with Pastor Brent Zastrow officiating. Burial will follow in Floral Hill Cemetery in Hoopeston.

The family suggests donations to the Milford Christian Church 811 E. Hickory St., Milford, IL 60953, OSF Children's Hospital of Illinois 530 NE Glen Oak Ave., Peoria, IL 61637, or a charity of the donor's choice in Bob's name.

Cemetery

Floral Hill Cemetery

Hoopeston
IL, 60942

Events

FEB **Visitation** 04:00PM - 07:00PM

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Anderson Funeral Home
427 E Main Street, Hoopeston, IL, US, 60942

FEB **Funeral Service** 11:00AM

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FEB **Burial**

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Comments



“ Very fond memories of Bob starting in the 1960's. He knew all the local history and was always up to date with what was going on. He will be missed by many.

Phil Trego - February 24, 2019 at 06:47 PM



“ Julie James-McCrory lit a candle in memory of Charles Robert "Bob" Totheroh



Julie James-McCrory - February 22, 2019 at 07:58 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Charles Robert "Bob" Totheroh.



February 12, 2019 at 10:01 AM



“ Very sorry to hear of Robert's death. I knew Robert all his life, and of course all mine. We rode on the same bus route from Wellington High School to Prairie Green. I knew Bob's Totheroh grandparents as well as grandmother Schwartz (Field) and of course his parents. I am very sad to learn of Robert's death We were close in many ways though we had very little physical contact the last fifty years. Robert was a wonderful person, I have tears in my eyes just writing about him.

One thing to comes to mind, once my parents stopped at Charlie Totheroh to visit. They had a martin house full of nesting martins. His grandfather told the story that Bob had killed one of the martins he had identified as a starling. Starlings often nested in the martin houses crowding out the martins. Charley said Bob had killed a martin with a BB gun, mistaking it for a starling. Bob was very upset and his grandfather attempted to assure Bob that he did not kill the martin on purpose it was pure mistake. But Bob nearly cried his grandfather said as he felt so badly for killing the martin. That was Bob. I will miss Bob as I know many others will, though I rarely was able to visit with him of late years. Bob was Charley Totheroh's clone.

I understand he lost his coin collection by robbers with guns stopping as his home. I too lost a coin collection worth thousands from the bank taken by an employee when the bank moved to its' new location in Hoopeston.

Goodbye Bob, it was great knowing you. George Richard (Dick) Boyden,
Lansdowne, Pennsylvania

Geo Dick Boyden - February 11, 2019 at 11:46 AM



“ Aunt Norma , Mike and Penny purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Charles Robert "Bob" Totheroh.



Aunt Norma , Mike and Penny - February 11, 2019 at 10:37 AM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Hermann Rutger Stroink - February 11, 2019 at 02:17 AM



“ The last time I saw Bob was at the Pump in Hoopeston with my dad and sisters. We were talking about my great grandmother's family. He said, "yea, those Finch girls were all good lookin' ". I loved that. It was a good story to share with my cousins.

Nancy Barrick Gaumer - February 10, 2019 at 09:09 PM



“ Please accept my sympathies for Bob's passing. He was a great family friend and a colleague in the insurance field, God bless as you celebrate his life.

John C Alexander - February 10, 2019 at 02:43 PM



“ To the Family of Bob, Sending you all our deepest sympathy in the passing of Bob. Keeping you all in our thoughts. We attended the same service at Milford Christian Church. We also had opportunities to see Him at the Restaurant He will be missed . Sincerely Dan and Jackie Worthey

Dan and Jackie Worthey - February 10, 2019 at 01:55 PM



“ I'll always remember Bob as he mowed that huge yard on the red riding lawn mower. Us kids used to wait until he passed, then run out and put something in the grass that he would have to stop, get off the mower, and remove after shaking his head!!! LOL!!! When Todd mowed, we did the same thing. You could see Todd a mite pissed off, but never Bob--he had a legendary smile!!!!

john sollars - February 10, 2019 at 09:48 AM



“ Rutger and Lacey purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Charles Robert "Bob" Totheroh.



Rutger and Lacey - February 10, 2019 at 05:18 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charles Robert "Bob" Totheroh.



February 10, 2019 at 12:08 AM



“ Nina L Drollinger lit a candle in memory of Charles Robert "Bob" Totheroh



Nina L Drollinger - February 09, 2019 at 11:48 PM



“ Maria Crawford lit a candle in memory of Charles Robert "Bob" Totheroh



Maria Crawford - February 09, 2019 at 06:56 PM



“ Always was friendly and kind to me. And so full of information on the history around here. I'll miss him.

nancyvoyles - February 09, 2019 at 02:17 PM



“ RIP Bob



Susie Drollinger - February 09, 2019 at 11:53 AM



“ Bob Totheroh family.....So sorry to hear Bob passing away. He was a special guy. I worked with him at the Wellington State Bank and went to church with him. Will miss him.

Garrett & Cheryl (Schmink)Beebe - February 09, 2019 at 09:05 AM



“ Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Charles Robert "Bob" Totheroh.



February 08, 2019 at 10:46 PM



“ I bought my crop insurance from bob and he was dedicated to taking care of his customers. We always had great conversations when we would cross paths. We visited at Legion end of year and I will miss those visits. He was always positive with a great memory of the past. Larry L Johnson

Larry L. Johnson - February 08, 2019 at 10:13 PM



“ Bob was my neighbor when my kids and i lived in wellington! Such a wonderful man and always happy and smiling!
Heaven gained an angel...R.I.P Bob

Kimberly Selke - February 08, 2019 at 08:33 PM