



Robert D. Clinger

September 28, 1934 - April 13, 2024

Robert D. Clinger, age 89 of Powell, passed away on Saturday April 13, 2024 at the Sunrise of Dublin. He was preceded in death by parents Robert H. and Virginia Clinger, stepfather Robert Koch, former wife Elizabeth (Slagle) Fornshell, and wife Ann Darcey Clinger. He is survived by sister Janet Clinger of Grass Valley, CA, sons David, Scott and Randy of Columbus; daughter Melanie (Clinger) McMichael of Montgomery Village, MD; stepdaughters Kathryn McClure and Patricia Stephens; grandsons Cole Clinger, Curtis Clinger, Joseph Clinger, Andrew McMichael, Stephen Talbot, Stewart, Matthew and Justin Stephens; granddaughters Shelby Haworth, Elizabeth Clinger Strickland, Ellie McMichael; and great-grandchildren Dylan Scott Clinger, Aaliyah Strickland and Spencer Clinger. Robert was born in Findlay, OH, graduated from Findlay High School in 1952, and earned a BS in Journalism from Ohio University in 1956. Following service in the U.S. Air Force as a navigator/bombardier from 1956 to 1959, he spent nine years with the Public Relations Department

of Columbia Gas and 28 years with the staff of the Ohio State Medical Association. Following retirement from OSMA in 1996 he worked part-time until 2007 with the Ohio Physicians Health Program in Columbus. From 1999-2009 and 2012-2014, he served as consumer representative on the Board of Ohio KePRO, the advocacy program for Medicare recipients in Ohio. He played senior softball for many years in Worthington, served as a volunteer in the Continuing Medical Education Department at OhioHealth/Riverside Methodist Hospital for 23 years. He loved following grandchildren in sports and other activities. Family will receive friends from on Saturday June 15, 2024 from 2:00pm to 4:00pm at the Rutherford Corbin Funeral Home in Worthington where a Celebration of Robert's Life will take place at 4:00pm. In lieu of flowers, contributions to any of the following are welcome: OhioHealth Foundation (Kobacker House), 3430 OhioHealth Pkwy., Columbus, OH 43202; Healing Art Missions, P.O. Box 645, Granville, OH 43023, dedicated to health and education of impoverished citizens of Haiti; Fisher House Foundation, 12300 Twinbrook Pkwy, Suite 410, Rockville, MD 20852-1650, dedicated to serving families of hospitalized veterans with a place to stay; Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Ohio, 711 E Livingston Ave., Columbus, OH 43205, dedicated to serving families of hospitalized children with a place to stay; Shriners Hospitals for Children, P.O. Box 150, Ranson, WV 25438-4510; St. Jude

Children's Research

Hospital, P.O. Box 50, Memphis, TN 38101-9929; Samaritans' Purse (Rev. Franklin Graham), P.O. Box 3000, Boone, NC 28607-3000; or Tunnel2Towers Foundation, 2361 Hylan Blvd., Staten Island, NY 10306.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Gathering

JUN **15**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford Corbin Funeral Home
515 High Street
Worthington, OH 43085

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Tribute Wall



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert D. Clinger.*



June 05, 2024 at 08:59 AM



“ *Bob Clinger was one of the warmest, kind gentlemen Dave and I have ever met. Always a smile or a kind word. The world was better for him being in it. Rest in sweet peace Bob. You will be missed by many.*

Sue and Dave Torrens - May 04, 2024 at 11:43 PM



“ *Bob and I were TKE fraternity brothers for four years. We both were commissioned on June 9, 1956 as 2/LTs in USAF. The smiling picture of Bob is the way I remember Bob. He was a brother in the best sense of the word. I am the better for having known him. I will always have wonderful memories of Bob..*

Steve Hill - May 03, 2024 at 07:40 PM

HM

“ Condolences to the family. Robert was a great friend for about 20 years working with the OSMA's Ohio High School Athletic Association's Sports Medicine Advisory Committee for the State of Ohio. He had a very sympathetic ear and a tranquil personality that made dealing with issue resolutions smoothly, He was much admired. Robert, Dale Googins the head Athletic Trainer for Denison University and I met for the first time at the Granville Inn meeting in the mid 70's. Dr. Henry D. Rocco MSc., M.D. one of the several Chairman of the Sports Medicine Advisory Committee, and former Licking Memorial Hospital Chief of Staff and Chief of Surgery.

Henry D. Rocco MSc., MD - April 28, 2024 at 08:48 AM

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“ I served with Bob and others on the Ohio Farm and Home Safety Committee for several years. Many years later he was invited by some of his softball buddies to join a dinner group of friends of which I belonged. It was good to reconnect. Recent years he did not continue but tried to keep in touch. He was a very caring person and very dedicated to health and safety concerns for our state and beyond. Sincere sympathy to the family. Norma Pitts

Norma Pitts - April 26, 2024 at 09:07 AM

CH

“ I had the privilege of working with both Bob and Anne at the OSMA for many years. Both of them were invaluable in helping us docs achieve our goals. They were kind and hardworking and helped to orient countless new doctors to the skills involved in advocacy. Each of them made the world a better place and they will be missed.
Charles J Hickey MD

Charles Hickey - April 25, 2024 at 06:16 AM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,*

May your memories of Robert D. Clinger, give you peace, comfort and strength...

Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete. I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten.

*My thoughts
and prayers to the family of*

US Veteran, Robert D. Clinger, is “A True American Hero” God Bless†

† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †

Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum - April 15, 2024 at 05:09 PM