



## Robert Foster

June 17, 2008

FOSTER Robert Walters Foster died peacefully Tuesday, June 17, 2008 at First Community Village in Columbus Ohio. "Bob" as he was affectionately known to friends and family, served his country and state for over four decades. A stint in the United States Army (82nd Airborne) was followed by a distinguished career as a United States Secret Service Agent. Best remembered as a member of the Kennedy children's detail, Bob also flourished in the field. He retired from the Secret Service as the Special Agent in Charge of the Columbus office in 1978. Subsequently, Bob was appointed United States Marshal for the Southern District of Ohio, a post which he held from 1981-1994. Bob then served as Sergeant of Arms for the Ohio General Assembly until he retired from government service in 2001. A graduate of The Ohio State University and member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity, Bob is survived by his brother, Birchard "Bo" Foster, his former wife, Margaret Surbeck Foster, three children: Katherine Foster Parramore of Loudon County Virginia, Robert Jr. (wife, Erin) of Dallas, Texas, and Andrew (wife, Kathryn) of Princeton Junction, New Jersey, six grandchildren, and several cousins including Richard Foster of Upper Arlington. Memorial Service in his hometown of Worthington, will be held 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 8, 2008 at RUTHERFORD-CORBIN FUNERAL HOME, 515 High Street, Worthington, Ohio 43085 where friends may call one hour prior to service. In lieu of flowers please make donations to: The Foundation of the Association of Former Agents of the U. S. Secret Service, 525 SW 5th St, Suite A, Des Moines IA 50309. Condolences

may be sent to [www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com](http://www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com).

# Tribute Wall

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“ *In memory of Bob Foster who served this country with a service of distinction.*

*My prayers are continuously in the direction of his family.*

*Jose A Brown  
Ret-USSS/PPD*

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**Jose A Brown** - February 23 at 05:45 AM



“ *Robert Foster*

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January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM

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“ *We love you Bob Foster! You were like another father to us. My Dad, David Kyle Adams and Bob would often hang out when we were kids and in our teens. Boating, playing cards late into the night, or sometimes helping you find your often mislaid loaded gun. Now you two are together again. Try not to get so crazy you fall out of heaven! With all my love, Kim Adams (Lara).*

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**Kimberly Adams Lara** - July 03, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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“ *His devotion to God, family, and his country is remarkable. May you find comfort knowing that he is with the Heavenly Father in peace. May God bless and keep you.*

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**Kathy Smith (wife of ATSAIC Chris Smith)** - June 20, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the Foster families. Although we only met Bob on a couple occasions, they were memorable. Our deepest condolences.*

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**John and Andrea Spengel** - June 19, 2008 at 12:00 AM