



Wallace Jon Robertson

October 4, 1961 - August 4, 2020

Lt. Col. Wallace Jon “Robbie” Robertson, 58, of Williamsburg, VA was welcomed home by the Lord on August 4th, 2020. He was preceded in death by his parents, Alida Alexandra “Sandy” Robertson and Col. Frank Jay Robertson and brother, Frank Jay Robertson, Jr. He is survived by his wife, Cindy; his children Matthew Smith, Nicholas Smith, Amy Fisk (Jef), Hilary Hunt (Chris), and Amanda Robertson (Tony); and his grandchildren Mason, Carson, Easton, and Hazel. He also leaves behind many whom he called his brothers and sisters, friends, and church family.

Growing up in a military family, Robbie had many memorable experiences around the world. His favorite being his high school years in Turkey, where he cultivated his love for the game of soccer, football, and Mediterranean cuisine and culture. Robbie attended The Citadel in Charleston, South Carolina, where he participated in Junior Sword Drill; one of the most rigorous accomplishments in his college life. He became a proud father to Amy and Amanda at an early age and started his military career in the U.S. Army. Robbie completed Army Ranger School, served in Operation Desert Storm, and was deployed numerous times throughout his service. He received many meritorious and achievement awards including a Bronze Star Medal. Robbie continued his commitment to the Army in his civilian career, dedicating himself to serving our soldiers and transforming Army logistics. Robbie gave heart and soul in service to his country and also to his family. He and his loving wife

Cindy enjoyed 18 years of marriage, and together they dedicated their lives to their children and grandchildren. He was a member of Olive Branch Christian Church where he served as Elder and enthusiastically shared his passion for Christ and love for the word. Robbie had many friends and considered them all as his family. He was generous, selfless, a faithful friend, and a hard worker. He had a knack for connecting with people of all ages and backgrounds, and all who knew him will remember his sense of humor and heartwarming smile. He loved deeply, was loved deeply, and will be sorely missed.

A memorial service will be held at 2:00pm on August 9th at Vincent Funeral Home, Providence Forge, VA. ***Due to Covid-19, masks are required, seating will be limited, and social distancing will be practiced.***

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Relay For Life – American Cancer Society or Olive Branch Christian Church in Williamsburg, VA.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

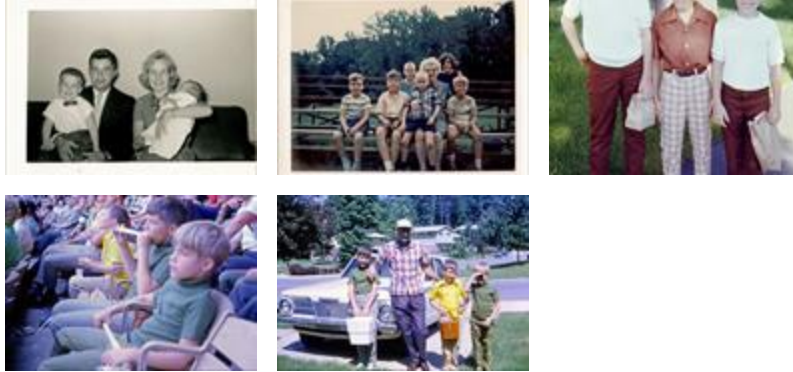
AUG 9. 2:00 PM (ET)

Vincent Funeral Home, Providence Forge Chapel
9923 Pocahontas Trail
Providence Forge, VA 23140
(804) 966-7075

Tribute Wall

MS

“ 13 files added to the tribute wall



Mike Simonson - January 16, 2024 at 11:28 PM

MS

“ Three years on I had no idea. I’m “Wally’s” first cousin and growing up we were close. I was a year younger than his brother “Jay” and a year older than “Wally”. (BTW, I was relieved to get our mother’s maiden name as a middle name rather than first!) We spent a lot of time together in the late 1960s in NoVa when both our Army officer fathers were assigned to the Pentagon. “Wally” also spent some time with me one mid 1970s summer in Huntsville AL where I took him to a Bible Study and he was surprised it wasn’t just a history lesson! I recall spending one early 1990s weekend in Big Sur CA together. He was really into running and fitness. My last “Wally” sighting was a September 2006 dinner out in Washington DC with our wives. I recall at one point we both worked for TRW albeit at disparate locations and then he started his own consulting business. I wouldn’t have found this obit if I didn’t miss him. He was driven, genuine, confident and put people at ease. He was sincerely interested in others. My recently deceased-at-98 years old Army Colonel father thought “Wally” would have been promoted to General if he had stayed in the army.

Mike Simonson - January 14, 2024 at 11:31 AM

PR

“ I just found out about Robbie and my heart is broken for you Cindy. There are no words to express how sorry I am. But to know he is free from the confines of his wheelchair and now has wings makes me so very happy. I have a feeling he will be there to meet me when I go to Heaven and will be smiling big! Prayers to you and the whole family and I am still here at VCU if you need anything!

Pamela Loyall, RN - September 23, 2020 at 09:29 AM

RH

“ 1 file added to the album *The Citadel 1982-1983*



Richard B Hodges - August 21, 2020 at 10:10 AM

WY

“ Please accept my prayers for our dear friend Robbie. He has become another brother in the our family and he will be missed for his friendship, courage and selfless service to our soldiers and country. I will remember him as a true gentleman, full of energy and a passion for life. God bless my friend!

Walt Yurcaba

Walt Yurcaba - August 10, 2020 at 04:40 PM

DM

“*Robbie was a great colleague, mentor and friend. He possessed a great sense of humor and was passionate about his work. He was always willing to help those around him. I would ask him to send an email to explain something at work and would receive a white paper in my inbox! He took the extra measures to ensure I had a good understanding. A true professional and great friend that will be missed.*

Daryl Middlebrooks - August 10, 2020 at 11:08 AM

CB

“*Robbie was truly one of a kind. He was the guy I looked to for solace in a large room. He was easy to find because his smile was like a beacon. Always with a smile. Never burdened – even when overwhelmed. Constantly able to find humor in a dark situation. Able to give sage advice while also battling his own fires. As I look at the pictures posted of Robbie, they all have him wearing that signature smile. There are many hundreds of traits you can list that describe Robbie Robertson. I will always remember that smile that exuded warmth, confidence, and support. Rest in peace, My Friend.*

Christopher Barbagallo - August 10, 2020 at 10:38 AM

SB

“*Robbie was one of the finest soldiers I was privileged to serve alongside. His boundless cheer, diligence, and caring set him apart as a very special person. He truly could light up a room just by entering. The world is now a sadder place without him, but I am a better person for having known him. I won't forget his friendship. My prayers are with Cindy and Robbie's family.*
Steve Broughall

Stephen Broughall - August 09, 2020 at 12:47 PM

HH

“ 11 files added to the tribute wall



Hilary Hunt - August 09, 2020 at 12:16 PM

SR

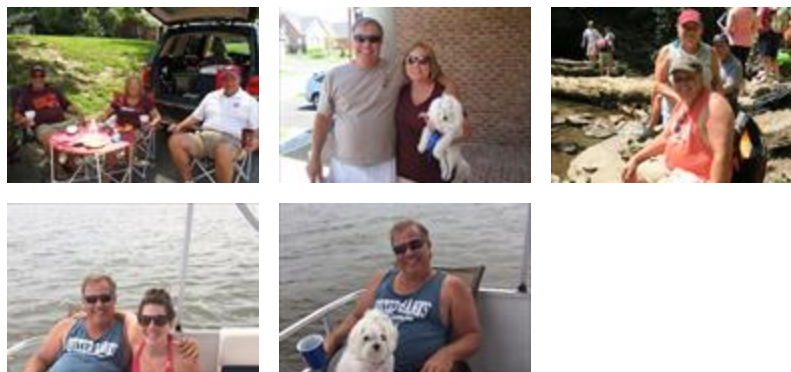
“Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened.” I believe that sentiment is most appropriate when I think about Robbie. I had the privilege of working with him a few years ago. When I first joined the project, he really went out of his way to help me and make me feel that I was part of the team. Like so many others have mentioned, Robbie truly believed in what he was doing, and worked hard every day to make the country safer; of that, there can be no doubt. However, what strikes me the most is that Robbie truly enjoyed life, despite its ups and downs. He always had a smile on his face, and a joke at the ready. I will miss you, Robbie.

Steven Rios

Steven Rios - August 09, 2020 at 10:52 AM



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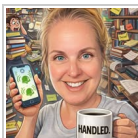


Amy Fisk - August 09, 2020 at 08:24 AM

DT

“ Robbie became a dear friend to Michelle and I from the day we met. It's so rare to meet someone and instantly, genuinely like them - but I reckon Robbie made a lot of friends like that. He'd just smile and laugh and be himself and he was so genuine and so honest and so incredibly likeable. Even when he had the weight of the world on his shoulders (or on his sleeve) he always seemed to find a way to have a laugh. We miss you Robbie. Danny & Michelle.

Danny Trudgett - August 09, 2020 at 07:55 AM



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Amy Fisk - August 08, 2020 at 06:04 PM

FK

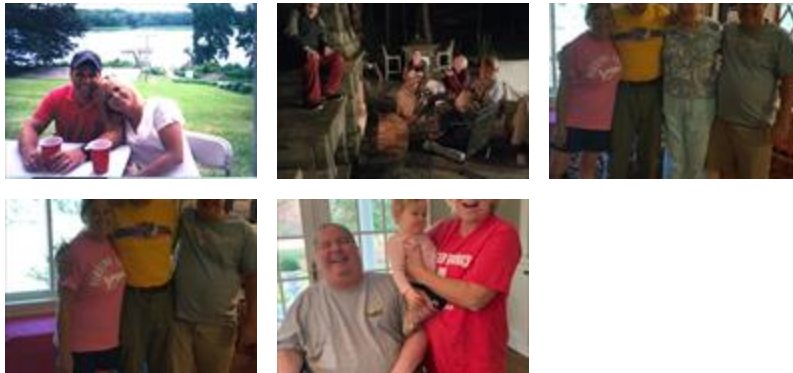
“ A genuine patriot, a true friend, a loving family man, and a great human being. That is how I would describe my great friend and colleague Robbie. Even though I have known him only for the past 7 years, to me it feels like I have known him forever. A kind and a gentle soul who selflessly cared deeply for his friends, family, community and country. He was both my professional and personal mentor and he will be dearly missed.

Fareed Khan

Fareed Khan - August 08, 2020 at 05:33 PM



“ 29 files added to the album Memories Album



Amy Fisk - August 08, 2020 at 05:25 PM

LS

“ *Robbie was LOVE, all wrapped up in a cuddly Teddy Bear's body. He put his heart into everything he did.*

He was HUMBLE, doing much for others while accepting no credit for himself. I was just his gift to his Lord, but he always felt he should have done more!

He was BRAVE, COURAGEOUS, BOLD in his walk through life with its pain and heartaches. He did everything he possibly could to survive so as not to leave his family that he so dearly loved, ALL of them.

But his battle is over, his final victory won. He's entered heaven's portal with out-stretched arms as he greeted his Savior Jesus, with his more glorious "Robbie Smile" on his beautiful face. Oh how we will miss that smile, that hug, that kind of love!

*We love you,
Larry and Louise Smith*

Larry and Louise Smith - August 08, 2020 at 04:25 PM

LA

“ *When I transitioned to being a contractor Robbie helped me in numerous ways. After the transition he would check on me often to make sure everything was alright, did I need a place to stay, is everybody treating me well..... Everything Robbie did he went above and beyond. It was my pleasure to know him, my condolences to his family.*

Larry Asch

larry asch - August 08, 2020 at 03:54 PM

JA

“ I met Robbie and Cindy the first day they came to Olive Branch Christian Church. I talked to them after the service and we continued to talk for at least half an hour. Mostly we talked about Olive Branch and the Disciples of Christ since they seemed to be looking for a new church home. We had a fun conversation about church and families and I fell in love with both of them. You couldn't have a conversation with Robbie without it being full of laughs and with a twinkle in his eye. Robbie had a generous and loving spirit and I will miss him. My love goes out to Cindy and the family.

Joyce L Allen - August 08, 2020 at 09:47 AM

AB

“ We saw Robbie most often at the church. Also, even when he was sick, we saw him and Cindy making visits to those who were ill. He is an inspiration to all and we will miss him.
Andy and Jeanne Bell

Andy Bell - August 08, 2020 at 09:29 AM

HW

“ My family met Robbie through Tri-Cities Road Runners years ago. He was kind, funny, and made you feel like family. I remember a 7 mile run we ran one Saturday in Battlefield Park. He told me to think about being 'light on my feet' and not to let my feet 'sound heavy'. I often think about him while I'm running and will continue to do so. Rest in peace friend. My family sends love, sympathy, and prayers during this difficult time.

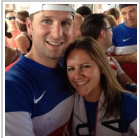
Heather Waild - August 07, 2020 at 10:05 PM

DP

“ I have been blessed to have known Robbie, as a coworker and friend. Robbie and I have shared many adventures and had a bond like brothers. He had an unabated love for his family, the Army, this country, and God. When Robbie sat out to do something, he gave it his all. Doing the right thing putting soldiers, family and friends first was his mantra. Robbie was a proud husband, father, grandfather, and a true friend. It has been my honor to have known Robbie, I am a better person because of it. Rest in peace my friend, my brother, may the Lord hold you and comfort your family.

Dan and Deb Parker

Daniel C Parker - August 07, 2020 at 09:00 PM



“ From the moment I met Robbie, he made me feel like family. His smile was infectious, hugs wonderful and he mastered showing Jesus’s love to everyone. He loved his family so deeply and was certainly a role model to us all. He will certainly be missed but what day it was for him to finally meet the Lord who he loved dearly.

Carrie Bush - August 07, 2020 at 06:35 PM

MU

“ I had the privilege of meeting up with Robbie on numerous occasions throughout my career and he was always welcoming, friendly, and extremely supportive. Robbie and I shared many moments in our professional life and he has left an impact on me. I always looked forward to seeing him on my trips to Virginia and he will be truly missed.

Mike Underwood - August 07, 2020 at 03:35 PM

CH

“ I had the pleasure of working with Robbie several times over the last 17 years. He always had a smile on his face. He will be missed. I am truly sorry for your loss and pray that God will comfort you and bring you peace in knowing that he is with Jesus and we will see him again one day. Your family is in my prayers during this difficult time.

Cortney Hoffman - August 07, 2020 at 02:03 PM

CK

“ I was blessed to know and work with Robbie both as a soldier and later as a contractor. He had an unabashed love for his family, the Army, and for God. Robbie gave 200% to everything he did. He was a tireless advocate for doing what was in the best interest of soldiers, and his influence will be felt for years to come. It was an honor and a blessing to know him, serve with him, and be his friend. May he rest in the loving arms of the Lord.

COL (Ret) Jim Kipers - August 07, 2020 at 12:52 PM

WH

Robbie's attributes as an elite Army Ranger that motivated him on the military battlefield were consistently exhibited and magnified in his loving discipleship for Christ. The last two years of Robbie's physical life, he and Cindy fought the most emotional, physical, and spiritual battle of their earthly lives. Robbie's faith was rooted in God's love for him and others. Robbie fought the great battle of faith. He was victorious! Robbie understood the immense love of God and experienced God's promises in his physical struggle. Robbie is a powerful witness, beacon, light to those who need to experience the fullness of God's love. Jane and I are blessed as well as others by the esprit de corps of our Christian relationship with Robbie. Robbie's discipleship leads us to experience the the fullness of God's love .In his physical suffering and in Cindy's loving care of Robbie, we witness the fullness of God's immeasurable love. Thanks be to God for Robbie's purposeful driven life to help others understand and experience the fullness of God's love! Jane & Will

Will Hatcher - August 09, 2020 at 09:58 AM

NL

Rest in peace dear brother knowing that you were inspiration and a loving friend to all you came in contact with. Blessings to your dear wife Cindy who was a wonderful, loving and caring wife.

Norm & Edie Larkin - August 09, 2020 at 11:19 AM