



Robert T. Trinkle Jr.

January 1, 1946 - January 6, 2022

Robert T. Trinkle Jr passed away peacefully from heart failure on January 6, 2022, in San Antonio, TX. Robert was born in Kansas City, MO to Robert Trinkle Sr. and Dorothy Walters. Robert grew up in a Navy family and lived in Kansas, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Texas and Chula Vista, CA, graduating from Hilltop High School. Entering the US Navy in 1965, Robert served his entire Navy career in Kingsville, TX, where he met his wife of 52 years, Earline. The young couple moved to San Diego in 1969.

Robert loved sports, particularly basketball and volleyball, but also played softball with the company team. He was fond of all forms of music, and very proud of serving as an Assistant Scoutmaster in Boy Scout Troop 278 for 12 years. He was known for his talent in finding one star movies on television to critique. He may have been one of the first to take selfies on 35 MM film, particularly during Boy Scout outings.

Robert was a process engineer in specialized fuse production at Mepco/Electra, Mepcopal, and AEM, all in San Diego, CA. Robert was very proud that his work was used in aerospace applications, especially the Lunar Module, Pioneer spacecraft, and the Mars Rover camera.

Robert is survived by his wife, Earline, son Kevin and partner Austin, daughter Kimberly and son-in-law Ubaldo, mother Dorothy, brothers John, Walt and Andy, and sisters Kathy and Stephanie. Services will be held Thursday, January 13 at 2 PM at Highland Park Lutheran Church, San Antonio, TX. Flowers may be sent via the link below. If you prefer, please donate to the

Gethsemane Lutheran Church Endowment fund via their website at <https://www.gethsemanesd.org>.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JAN 13. 2:00 PM (CT)

Highland Park Lutheran Church
705 Hammond Ave
San Antonio, TX 78210

Tribute Wall

JO

“ I was in the navy with Bob in Kingsville Texas. I am saddened to learn that he is no longer with us. I roomed with Bob and owe a lifelong love of music to him. He had a great Ear for rock music, And had a burgeoning collection collection of albums. I wish I had contacted him contacted him earlier so that I could express my gratitude. John Lucey South Hadley Mass.

Johnlucey36@gmail.com - August 06, 2022 at 02:09 PM

JO

“ Excellent person. I met Robert , i did some work for him at his home, funny and talkative, told me some good stories about his job and his off times, really enjoyed time with him. Praise GOD i got to meet him, now he's with the creator of all, JESUS CHRIST. Love you Robert , see you again later on.. J. Gallegos

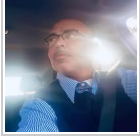
John - January 17, 2022 at 10:39 PM

KD

“ Kayla Deskin lit a candle in memory of Robert T. Trinkle Jr.



Kayla Deskin - January 15, 2022 at 10:09 AM



“ *Mr. Robert Trinkle,*



Truly the salt of the earth, A great Human being for which I am grateful to have known. Whenever we crossed paths whether at work, His house or at the best wedding ever ! Robert's kind and gentle demeanor along with His chill smile would set the mood of easiness. In reflection I smile and use His example to be a better person. “ Robert thank you for making me feel as if we Have always been family as well as excepting my brother Ubaldo as your son in law and for for my new Sister Kim and brother Kevin and just as hardily thank you for being the best Husband, Father, Brother and friend to so many. You are missed and always loved. “

*May God continue to embrace You.
Leo Riboni Jr.*

Leo Riboni - January 13, 2022 at 12:06 PM

MM

“ *"Bob" was one of the first friends I made in the summer of 1966 when I was assigned to NAS Kingsville. We worked together, laughed together and spent untold weekends on the North Padre Island Beach together. We list touch for a couple of years after my transfer in 1968, but reconnected in San Diego after we were both discharged. Life is like that, people move in and out off your circle, but some friendships maintain. Somehow we both ended up in Texas where we again reconnected three years ago. I'm glad to have known "Bob", his easy smile and dry humor. I wish his soul peace, and his family comfort knowing they were loved.*

Malcolm Matthews - January 13, 2022 at 09:14 AM

UR

“ *Ubaldo Riboni lit a candle in memory of Robert T. Trinkle Jr.*



Ubaldo Riboni - January 12, 2022 at 10:16 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Robert T. Trinkle Jr..*



January 12, 2022 at 05:37 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert T. Trinkle Jr..*



January 12, 2022 at 04:39 PM

UR

“ *Thank you Robert for welcoming me to your family! I cherish the time we got to spend together. I will do my best to help the family whenever and wherever I can. You had a wonderful intelligence to your humor that I will miss. We will all reunite somewhere down the road in heaven. Till then my friend. - UB*

Ubaldo Riboni - January 12, 2022 at 04:19 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Robert T. Trinkle Jr..*



January 12, 2022 at 09:54 AM



“ *Nelson L. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Robert T. Trinkle Jr..*



Nelson L. - January 12, 2022 at 12:51 AM



“ *Your Troop 278 Family purchased the Reflections of Glory Wreath for the family of Robert T. Trinkle Jr..*



Your Troop 278 Family - January 12, 2022 at 12:00 AM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Robert T. Trinkle Jr..*



January 11, 2022 at 06:43 PM

KR

“ *This is Robert’s daughter. Just wanted to thank everyone for their kind words over the last few days, we miss Dad but welcome all of your wonderful stories about him.*

He was the best Dad in the universe, he taught me how to ride a bike on a dirt track with sweet jumps, hit a baseball (we are both left handed), setup a campsite (the 10 minute tent project), and build a kayak (yes it’s true). I tagged along on so many of his Boy Scout camping trips to quietly observe his skills. I use everything I learned from him and still have a some of his meticulously maintained camping gear (all clearly labeled with ROBERT TRINKLE so you know it’s his!) that is in use today. This means I am affectionately known as camp grandpa by my friends, and I hold that title with pride. He was a perfectionist, mischievous in a way that all Dads are, and would always hit us with the worst Dad jokes at the most unexpected times.

Miss you so so sooo much Dad, but I know you are always here with me.

Kim Riboni - January 11, 2022 at 05:39 PM

SS

Wonderful tribute!

Stephanie Seaman - January 12, 2022 at 03:50 PM

UR

Beautiful!

Ubaldo Riboni - January 12, 2022 at 04:06 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Robert T. Trinkle Jr..*



January 11, 2022 at 05:15 PM



“ *The Riboni's purchased the Delightful Dieffenbachia for the family of Robert T. Trinkle Jr..*



The Riboni's - January 11, 2022 at 11:46 AM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Robert T. Trinkle Jr..*



January 10, 2022 at 05:53 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Robert T. Trinkle Jr..*



January 10, 2022 at 05:30 PM

WT

“ *The fondest memories of my Big Brother, Robert, was when we played basketball in front of our Chula Vista family house. Robert won 99.9% of all games. I'm sure the one time I won he let me do so. Although we were apart by distance most of our lives Robert was always my Big Brother who was steady, reliable and a great family man. I will miss him deeply and know he is with Dad in heaven. Walt Trinkle*

Walt Trinkle - January 10, 2022 at 04:33 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Robert T. Trinkle Jr..*



January 10, 2022 at 04:00 PM

JT

“ My brother Robert and I were born in the same year. He on January 1 and me, John, on December 11. Our brother Walter was born a year later on December 8. We were very close to each other. We attended the same schools together. We played together. We got into trouble together. When we lived in Tennessee, the school bus driver would always announce "Three Musketeer" when he open the bus doors when stopping at our house. There is a huge emptiness now that can only be filled with memories. We love him and we are certain that Dad, Robert Sr., is showing Robert the in-and-outs of Heaven.



John Trinkle - January 10, 2022 at 03:51 PM



“ Rays of Light Spray was purchased for the family of Robert T. Trinkle Jr..



January 10, 2022 at 11:55 AM