

Robert John Caspar born November 8<sup>th</sup>, 1944, to John A. Caspar and Marguerite F. O'Brien Caspar in the District of Columbia. He lived in the District of Columbia and in Maryland during his childhood and graduated from Suitland High School. He was quite ambitious during his high school years as he started renovating his neighbor's basements, making rec rooms. So you see, the renovation field was in his future. He later bought and renovated over 450 houses.

He married Patricia Myers and they had two children, Michelle Caspar and Michael D. Caspar. They divorced in April, 1972.

In 1971, Bob met Jolene at her place of work at Conroy & Williams, Law Office. It seems that Bob decided that Jolene was the person that he wanted to spend the rest of his life with. Of course, at the time, Jolene was unaware of Bob's thoughts. As life went on, Jolene realized that Bob was the love of her life. On November 8<sup>th</sup>, 1972, Bob and Jolene were married at Trinity Episcopal Church in St. Mary's City, Maryland. On November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016, they celebrated their 44<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

Bob started out selling furniture door to door and one day as he was driving by Stan Ridgeway's Real Estate office, he noticed a sign that said "Learn Real Estate Free". He stopped in and that day changed his life as he became a Real Estate Broker and a Sales Manager for Stan Ridgeway Real Estate. He has been in the real estate profession for 49 years and handled REO properties for Banks for many years. After deciding to give up the Bank business, he became a hard money lender and lent to Investors for short term money. He was still in the lending business until the day he passed away, and his dream was for Barbara Elmore and Jolene to continue his dream.

Bob was always active, jogging, riding his bike 100 miles (in the Century ride), playing tennis, golfing, sailing, kayaking, scuba diving, down hill skiing, cross country skiing, snow shoeing, ice fishing, fly fishing, hiking, yoga and working out at the gym. He loved life and all it had to offer.

Bob was active in his children's lives and was always proud of them. Michelle went on to become Director of Nursing, and Mike a Senior Software Engineer. He was proud of them when they graduated from college. He encouraged his grandchildren to look into the future to see

what was available and to be there first. Chelsea has chosen her field as a medical coder auditor; Rachel is working in hotel management and Christopher is majoring in financing and will graduate from Towson in 2017. He was also very proud of his “step” grandchildren, Rachel and Justin Elmore. We can only hope that they knew how much he loved them.

Bob and Jolene traveled extensively with friends, sailing to Bimini, Cat Key, West End, New Plymouth, Granada, St. Martens, St. Thomas, and the Florida Keys; traveling to Bermuda, Nantucket, London, Germany, Austria, Italy, Paris, Ireland, Dominican Republic, Hawaii; skiing in Colorado (Steamboat Springs where they had a home for 12 years and many wonderful friends), and going to the Spoleto Festive in Charleston, SC.

Bob wanted his legacy to help as many people as possible. He was Board President of the Anne Arundel Literacy Council and was very proud of changing so many lives. He was on the Board of Directors at his home at Liberty Row Condo in Old Town Alexandria, VA. With his disease, Ehlers – Danlos Hyper-mobility Syndrome, he wanted to help with the research for a cure. He was involved with the scholarship fund at Fordham University in New York. He believed in the Weston A. Price Foundation and the Fort Valley Museum. He wanted to help others, to make a difference in as many lives as possible.

He loved to go antiquing with Jolene’s Dad. He really loved to buy Shenandoah Valley pottery and became an avid collector.

And so on November 14<sup>th</sup> 2016, this life ended and he passed over to the next part of the journey. Jolene was with him to see him off. God called him home.