



Robert Morgan

October 7, 1946 - September 11, 2022

Robert Wilson Morgan (10/7/1946-9/11/2022)

Bob Morgan of Cedar Falls passed away on September 11, 2022, at home with Linda, his wife of 38 years, by his side. He was under the care of UnityPoint Hospice after a cancer diagnosis.

Bob was born in Pittsburgh, PA, and attended 18 different schools before his high school graduation from Broad Ripple High School in Indianapolis. He earned his undergraduate degree from Denison University in Granville, OH, and eventually settled in St. Johnsbury, VT.

He and Linda met in the early 80s and were married in their backyard in 1984, with daughters Sarah and Jess as witnesses. The family moved to Cedar Falls, IA, in 1990.

Bob and Linda instilled their love of music and the performing arts in both of their daughters, starting with family performances with the Danville Summer Singers in Vermont, and continuing with the Waterloo Community Playhouse, Blackhawk Children's Theatre, Cedar Falls Community Theatre, the Cedar Valley Singers, and the Metropolitan Chorale. Memorable roles include "Curly" in Oklahoma and "Bob Cratchit" in A Christmas Carol.

He was a founding member of the Cedar Trails Partnership in 1995 and continued to advocate for safe biking throughout his life. He was a writer/photographer/gardener and wrote many published articles on these subjects. In 2006, Bob wrote and illustrated Biking Iowa: 50 Great Road Trips and Trail Rides. He was also a substitute teacher in middle and high schools in Waterloo and Cedar Falls, and is best known for his “pirate” lectures.

Bob and Linda traveled extensively together, riding tandem bicycle on tours through the US and Europe, including the entire length of the Mississippi River (in stages), the Natchez Trace, circumnavigating Lakes Erie and Michigan, and lots more time spent on Lake Michigan. The couple logged close to 100,000 miles on four tandem in the last 31 years. Bob’s last ride with Linda was on July 22nd, in Mackinaw City, MI.

His favorite role was a Papa to Brandon and Nora, celebrating many adventures on bikes, becoming a master “Settlers of Catan” player, and supporting their many accomplishments.

Bob is preceded in death by his parents, Harold Porter Morgan and Mary Church Wilson Morgan, brother William Howard Morgan, and nephew Daniel Morgan.

He is survived by wife Linda Schultz Morgan; daughters Sarah Fuhrmeister of Los Angeles, CA, and Jess Morgan Cullinan (John) of Los Alamos, NM; grandchildren Brandon Robert Cullinan of Seattle, WA, and Nora Jean Cullinan of Los Alamos, NM; and sisters Mary Love (Mimi) Morgan of McKinleyville, CA; and Margaret Porter (Peg) Morgan of Woodbine, GA.

The world was lost a true gentleman, friend, brother, father, papa and husband. Bob was a great storyteller and conversationalist and will be missed by all who knew and loved him – days are a little darker without him. He will forever be remembered with a heart larger than life and a sharp sense of

humor.

Bob's family will have a warm and casual celebration of his life on Sunday, September 18th, at the Lodge building of George Wyth State Park, from 2pm to 4pm. Those who cared for Bob are invited to bring their best memories involving him, as well as a favorite snack or beverage. We'll spend the afternoon sharing our love for him and remembering his appreciation for life.

A family-directed memorial service will be held at a later date. Memorials may be directed to the Cedar Valley Trails Partnership, P.O. Box 275, Cedar Falls, IA 50613.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

SEP **18.** 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

George Wyth State Park Lodge
3659 Wyth Rd
Waterloo, IA 50703

Tribute Wall

MT

“ I met Bob about 1970. We were both working at a book wholesaler in Boston. We did lots of things together, and were roommates until he moved away from the area. We got together occasionally ever since.

Just one story for now: One day “Bicycle Bob” found a wallet on a sidewalk, and returned it to its owner. Got to know her, introduced her to me, and we got married. Best gift ever!

Michael Thurber

Michael Thurber - January 05, 2023 at 06:16 PM

LN

“ Dear Linda and Family - I just found out about Bob's death and I send my sincere sympathies to all of you. When I think of Bob, I am always drawn to his energy for life. I knew him best when he performed musically and admired his voice and warmth as an actor. I know he will be sorely missed by all of you. My prayers for sweet memories and God's presence to bring you peace..... Liane Nichols

Liane Nichols - October 21, 2022 at 11:57 AM

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Rob Harwood - October 11, 2022 at 02:11 PM

SH

“ Linda,

I am so very sorry that you've lost Bob. He was a true friend to the world of cycling. It was very common to see you both on the tandem, all around town. It just won't be the same in the Cedar Valley, without him.

*Sue Hummel
(Cedar Valley Cyclists)*

Sue Hummel - October 06, 2022 at 08:17 PM

DD

“ *Bob got things done - among his many accomplishments he gave vital support to save the Gilbertville Depot.*

dick dewater - September 28, 2022 at 10:39 PM



“ *Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Robert Morgan.*



September 13, 2022 at 10:30 PM

DM

“ *Linda, we am so very sorry that you have lost your partner in music, bicycle adventures, stagecraft, politics, and on and on. Bob was many-faceted, and you two made a wonderful couple. With great sympathy, Donna and Dan*

Donna Mallin - September 13, 2022 at 05:24 PM

JG

“ We are so appreciative of all the work Bob put into the Cedar Trails Partnership to make it such a successful and an impactul organization! He taught Sue the finer points of "door knocking" for political candidates. Bob definitely made the world a better place!

Jerry & Sue Green - September 12, 2022 at 10:48 PM



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Richardson Funeral Service - September 12, 2022 at 11:13 AM