



Robert Allen Case

June 21, 1953 - May 6, 2019

Robert Allen Case, 66, of Media, PA, passed away after a valiant struggle with lung cancer on May 6, 2019. Bob will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him: especially his beloved son Jaron Teegen-Case (Media, PA), former wife and trusted friend Susan Teegen (Media); siblings: Pam Case (Seattle, WA), Tom (& Mary) Case (Phoenix), Pat (& Joe) Case-Threet (Billings, MT), and Becky (& Joe) DeVantier (Bozeman, MT); the community of Tabernacle United Church (Philadelphia) and by many friends and neighbors.

Bob was born on June 21, 1953 in Des Moines, IA to Gaylord (Bud) and Carolyn Case. In 1964, the family moved to Billings, MT where Bob finished elementary, middle and high school. The vast mountains and big sky of Montana were formative, giving Bob beauty, strength and endless adventures including hiking, camping, fishing and spelunking. Bob took great delight in building and remaking cars, ranging from go-carts to sports cars, and loved driving Montana's mountain and prairie roads, where the speed limit was "reasonable and prudent". Throughout his life, Bob ventured on countless freedom rides by car and by motorcycle. Bob also enjoyed time as a resident of Seattle, Los Angeles, Houston, and then greater Philadelphia where he made his home in 1990.

Bob's love and dedication to work began at an early age, and he spent the first couple decades in restaurant management. High points of his vocational life included his years managing and travelling with Untours, working with Russ Baldwin and the Baldwin Design Group, and teaching motorcycle safety. Bob loved being of service where he experienced the wisdom that offering his time and talents in community always yielded greater meaning, joy, and purpose than he initially envisioned. He traveled to South Africa among a delegation from the First United Church of Germantown to be an observer for the first free election in 1994. He also gave countless hours volunteering with ArtWell in its formative years.

Bob had a range of talents, including home renovation, IT trouble-shooting, and had special gifts with children and animals. The absolute joy of Bob's life was with his own

children, Portia and Jaron. He took pride in them at every step and stage of their development. In this, his greatest heartbreak came in Portia's premature death in 2011 at age 31. Jaron and Bob spent countless hours enjoying one another through sports, action movies, cooking, and traveling. In all of this, the size of the adventure was less important than that they were together enjoying simple joys as well as reflecting on life's questions.

Bob experienced serious health challenges in his last decades ...and in this felt special gratitude for support from beloved friends and family and was strengthened in his faith journey by the extraordinary community of Tabernacle United Church. Throughout, he was known for continuous acts of kindness to any whom he encountered.

A service to Remember and Celebrate Bob's life will be held at Tabernacle on Friday, May 10, 2019 at 4 pm followed by a reception also at the church located at 3700 Chestnut St, Philadelphia, PA 19104

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Bob's memory to:

Tabernacle United Church, tabunited.org; ArtWell, theARTWell.org; or PowerBack Rehabilitation - Lombard Street, powerbackrehabilitation.com, where he received incredible support and care during his final weeks.