



Robert "Bob" M. Ford

November 18, 1933 - February 8, 2014

Robert M. (Bob) Ford, 80, of Wynne, passed away Saturday, February 8, 2014, at CrossRidge Community Hospital in Wynne, Arkansas. Bob was born on November 18, 1933 in Harrisburg, Arkansas. Bob was a very successful and an active attorney in Wynne. Previously, Bob had served in the United States Army, had coached under countless SEC Collegiate football teams including coaching directly with Paul "Bear" Bryant at the University of Alabama. Bob additionally served as a scout for the Dallas Cowboys for twenty-five years and worked closely with Coach Tom Landry.

Bob is survived by his beloved wife, Gloria R. Ford; three sons, Dr. Robert Ford, Jr. of Republic, Missouri; Paul Ford of Jonesboro, Arkansas; Dr. Barry Ford of Little Rock, Arkansas; two step-children, Carter Dooley of Wynne; and Kelly Stewart of Peculiar, Missouri; eight grandchildren and one great grandchild Bob was preceded in death by his parents, Riley Boy Ford and Willie Irene Graves Ford; and one grandson, Riley Graves Ford.

A memorial service will be held at 2 PM on Wednesday, February 12, 2014, at the First United Methodist Church on Falls Boulevard in Wynne, with Dr. Rev. Glenn Pettus officiating the services. In lieu of flowers, donations or gifts may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Wynne or to Mt. Zion Cemetery through the First United Methodist Church of Wynne by contacting them at (870)238-3265..

Previous Events

Graveside

FEB 8 (CT)

Cogbill Cemetery
Wynne, AR

Memorial

FEB 12. 2:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church of Wynne
800 Falls Blvd
Wynne, AR 72396

Tribute Wall

TB

“ *The entire "Alabama Family" mourns your loss and may God Bless you Gloria and your entire family too. I knew Bob when he first came to the University of Alabama and had an opportunity later to help him on a project in Florida (someone claiming to have played on our team.....he did not. Have had hard time getting on the email / internet source, but we are with you. c u later, Big T, Tommy Brooker #81 in 1961*

TOMMY BROOKER - March 13, 2014 at 11:59 AM

CA

“ *Bob did so much for the community of Wynne and many people are not even aware of his gifts and time that he gave. He went above and beyond to greatly assist, aid, and initiate the careers of attorneys, who continue to practice, in Wynne this very day. His biggest fault, or plus that some may see it, is that he gave and gave and gave.*

Yet, he never asked anybody for anything in return. Bob always took the higher road for what was right and he led his life in the same manner, which is to be honest, respectful, and giving to other people. His little Brayden and Addyson, along with Carter & Erin, will miss him to the moon and back. We love you Pop.

Carter - February 26, 2014 at 09:05 PM

JJ

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Bob's family. I had a lot of respect for Bob while I was in Wynne. I had been the Head Football Coach in Wynne and had gone to work for the Cross County Bank. Bob had a case with the Arkansas Activities Association and he knew I was familiar with some of their by-laws. He would call me and ask me to come over and he would act like he was in court in order to get ready for the case. I should of billed him for my services that he later won but I did not. Bob was a real asset to Wynne and had a real interest in it's football program. A lot of folks thought we were brothers as they thought we looked a like. Bob was a good friend and will be missed. Jim Jordan- Hot Springs Village, Arkansas

Jim Jordan - February 12, 2014 at 09:47 PM

DL

“ Paul, your dad is a Very Fine man. It was always an honor to see him in our court rooms in Poinsett County. He will be missed by many. Prayers for you and your family.

David Layman

David Layman - February 11, 2014 at 07:43 AM

SC

“ "as a young football fan of the Dallas Cowboys and friend of son Barry, one of the biggest thrills I can remember as a young man was receiving a Dallas Cowboys Polo Shirt from Bob when i was visiting with Barry when we were young". "I also remember fondly of Bob taking Barry and I to a Memphis State game where we got to stand on the sidelines for the Ole Miss game which was big thrill for me as well". Bob did a lot for Wynne Arkansas and represented the city well and will be missed.

Randy "Sean" Coyne

Sean Coyne - February 10, 2014 at 08:43 PM

NB

“ I always looked up to Bob Ford. He was handsome, friendly, and someone you just didn't forget! To me he seemed so honest, kind, and I remember him well.
Although I was far behind him in school, he always made an effort to greet me, make me feel liked by him, and I think in a nut shell Bob was one of those special people that made everyone around him feel important! It was not how I felt about him, it was the way he made me feel about myself.

He will be missed by many, but also remembered by many.

Neal Brown (Mary Neal Foust)

Neal Brown - February 09, 2014 at 12:03 PM

AM

“ Mike and I are sad to hear of Bob's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends. Sincere condolences from The MacFarlanea

Angie and Mike Macfarlane - February 08, 2014 at 07:23 PM

AB

“ Bob was a good man, he helped my brother and I'll never forget it. He was who a man should be. He stood by his beliefs and didn't back down. He was devoted to Wynne in ways I didn't know about until he received his award this year. He will still help people while he is in Heaven!! My sympathy goes out to his wife and family and his many friends. God bless each one of them.
Ann Dildine Branch

ann branch - February 08, 2014 at 03:54 PM

KD

“ We are very sorry to hear about Bob's passing. Sending up prayers for all of you -- Gloria, the Ford sons, Carter and Kelly and extended families. The Dooleys -- George, Karen, Brittany, Haleigh and Trinity

Karen Dooley - February 08, 2014 at 12:18 PM