



Robert E. Gordon

January 6, 1936 - April 25, 2026

Born in Brooklyn January 6th, 1936, to James Duncan Gordon and Elizabeth Ewing Gordon, younger brother to James, Robert Ewing Gordon lived a fuller life than most. You might say, he did it his way...

Growing up collecting coal along the tracks to help his family stay warm Bob decided he was going to make it his own way and with determination and an exceptionally sharp mind, he did. He was accepted into Brooklyn Technical HS but was far too smart to finish. They had in fact run out of things to teach him. He then joined the US Army and spent time overseas in Austria doing a variety of jobs, his favorite of which was drawing illustrations for the newsletter. He continued to doodle till the very end. Usually on napkins. He later started to work for Mueller Steam Specialty, helping with engineering issues and drafting, eventually working his way up to Vice President before they moved to North Carolina which prompted him to open his own business Piping Specialties. He maintained a long-standing relationship with Mueller as one of the best in the industry from 1976 till present day.

His biggest passion in life was flying. We often joke that he couldn't function at sea level. After traveling once by private plane - he decided it was the only way to travel and quickly got his pilot's license. For close to 60 years Bob continued to travel the country in his twin engine baron. Flying was not only a passion, it was a major connection to some of his closest friends. He was a

friend and mentor to many pilots and student pilots over the years. His love of flying also extended to his love of being able to help people. He donated many hours in his plane to foundations such as Airlifeline, Angel Flight, PALS, Wounded Warriors and ARF which he very much enjoyed, rescuing dogs from kill shelters and giving them a second chance at life. You can tell a lot about the character of a person by the way they treat animals, and our dad loved them all.

In addition to flying Bob loved all kinds of toys, his vast car collection, motorcycle, boat, quad... Even in his later age you would often find him pulling strangers out of snowbanks or driving the quad around his property, or neighborhood taking every opportunity to give his grandkids a ride.

Above all else, Bob loved his family, his friends, travel and maybe a good martini... He was a devoted husband for over 55 years to Marcy and a loving father to his daughters Barbara and Lindsay. Family meant everything to him. He was incredibly proud of his daughters, four grandchildren, Patrick, Daniel, Scarlett & Robert and his four great grandchildren, Maggie, Ruby, Rowan and Paisley as well as his nieces and nephews. He carried that pride with him every day.

He will be so greatly missed but we will always carry his love, sense of determination, cheeky sense of humor and his spirit for adventure. A true "tough guy" till the end.

Blue skies and tailwinds.... CAVU Bravo Golf.

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Previous Events

Thursday Visitation

APR 30. 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

A.L. Jacobsen Funeral Home, Inc.
1380 New York Avenue
Huntington Station, NY 11746
(631) 423-2185
jacobsenfuneral@gmail.com

Time to be announced

Military Honors

APR 30. 6:15 PM (ET)

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Church Service

MAY 1. 10:00 AM (ET)

Presbyterian Church of Sweet Hollow
95 Old Country Road
Melville, NY 11747

Burial

MAY 1 (ET)

Melville Cemetery
490 Sweet Hollow Road
Melville, NY 11747

Repass

MAY 1 (ET)

Branzinos Restaurant
315 Walt Whitman Road
Huntington Station, NY 11746

Tribute Wall



“ *A.L. Jacobsen Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert E. Gordon*



A.L. Jacobsen Funeral Home, Inc. - April 30 at 05:01 PM



“ *In 1954 my family visited the Gordon family in Brooklyn. I believe mr Gordon was a relative of my father. Bob later visited my family in Niagara Falls. My granddaughter is on her first visit to NY city and I looked for photos to show her. Then I googled Bob's name. I will attach photos. Sincere condolences. I now live in Scotland.*



Carolyn Slessor - May 06 at 08:05 AM



“ *Marty B. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert E. Gordon.*

Marty B. - April 30 at 12:21 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Robert E. Gordon.*



April 30 at 07:27 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Robert E. Gordon.

April 30 at 07:27 AM



“ *Beth H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert E. Gordon.*

Beth H. - April 29 at 08:03 PM



“ *Cindy P. purchased the Rose Garden Heart for the family of Robert E. Gordon.*



Cindy P. - April 29 at 05:35 PM



“ *Scott Gordon purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Robert E. Gordon.*



Scott Gordon - April 29 at 03:43 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert E. Gordon.*



April 29 at 01:48 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Robert E. Gordon.

April 29 at 01:48 PM



“ *Bob was someone you felt lucky to know. He had a way of showing up for people, not out of obligation, but because that's simply who he was. There was a steadiness to him, a quiet strength, and a generosity that never drew attention to itself. He loved his family as a husband, father, and grandfather. To those of us who were lucky enough to know him well, he was a true friend, constant and kind. It's hard to imagine the world without him in it. He will be missed.*
Phil K

Phil K - April 29 at 12:57 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Robert E. Gordon.*



April 29 at 12:33 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Robert E. Gordon.*



April 29 at 10:26 AM



“ *My best memory of Bob: one year while on worked on his commissions I made a mistake and accidently short paid Pipe Spec. Bob didn't call, he got in his plane and flew to North Carolina to get it corrected. The visit was maybe an hour. As soon as the correction was made, he left and flew back to NY. Bob you will be missed.*

*With love,
Charity Jordan (Customer Service, Mueller Steam)*

Charity Jordan - April 29 at 08:49 AM



“ *Jim, Natalie and Jeff purchased the Bright and Beautiful Spray for the family of Robert E. Gordon.*



Jim, Natalie and Jeff - April 28 at 10:58 PM



“ *Rose Tribute was purchased for the family of Robert E. Gordon.*



April 28 at 05:25 PM



“ *Love, Mary and Gil Gibson purchased the Rays of Light Spray for the family of Robert E. Gordon.*



Love, Mary and Gil Gibson - April 28 at 04:37 PM



“ *Muller Family, Meryl & Joe purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Robert E. Gordon.*



Muller Family, Meryl & Joe - April 28 at 04:33 PM



“ *Walter and Margaret Sygney purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert E. Gordon.*



Walter and Margaret Sygney - April 28 at 04:10 PM



“ Cheryl, Diane, Kim & BJ (Wakely’s) purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Robert E. Gordon.



Cheryl, Diane, Kim & BJ (Wakely’s) - April 28 at 09:20 AM



“ The Iovino Family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Robert E. Gordon.



The Iovino Family - April 28 at 08:40 AM



“ Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Robert E. Gordon.



April 27 at 09:15 PM



“ LIBAA purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Robert E. Gordon.



LIBAA - April 27 at 08:02 PM

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“ LIBAA planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert Gordon.

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“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Robert E. Gordon.



April 27 at 02:19 PM



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“ A Dubonnet Cocktail awaits you my friend. I know you'll grease this landing!
Frank & Cherie

frank bonacci - April 27 at 02:02 PM