

Boughton, George Robert 'Bob' 1947-2023

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George Robert "Bob" Boughton, 76, died unexpectedly of a heart attack on May 11, 2023, at Wise Health System in Decatur. He was born April 30, 1947, to Lt. Colonel William and Shirley Boughton in Minneapolis. Bob attended Arlington Heights High School and graduated from Papillion High School in 1965. Following graduation, he returned to Texas and married his high school sweetheart, Linda Kathleen Hicks. They celebrated 56 years of marriage together.

Bob started his career as a butcher and worked his way up to Director of Meat Operations for Skaggs Alpha Beta. After moving to Boyd, he began a successful career as a real estate broker in Wise and Denton counties, and was a longtime member of the Greater Denton/Wise County Association of Realtors Board of Directors.

He was predeceased by his parents. He is survived by his wife, Linda Kathleen;

two daughters, Lucy Boughton of Fort Worth and Ginger Jumper and her husband, Paul, of Decatur; a son, Shane Boughton and his wife, Alicia, of Fort Worth; four grandchildren, Caitlin Boughton, Hunter Boughton, Derek Shelby and wife, Aubre, Jordan Shelby and fiancé, Cody Cooper; two great grandsons, Cannon and Levi Shelby; two brothers, Bill Boughton of Dallas, Ran Boughton and his wife, Sue, of Hurst; two sisters, Sherry Graves, Cindy Davis and her husband, Jim, of Tucson, Ariz.; as well as many nieces and nephews.

Bob loved his home, family and animals. He raised horses, dogs, cats, goats, pigs, donkeys and chickens throughout his life. Horses were his favorite and he shared that passion with his granddaughter and her love of rodeo. He was very sociable and never met a stranger, striking up conversation with everyone. People will remember Bob as a smart, witty, funny, caring, giving and loving friend and neighbor. In keeping with the wishes of Bob, there will be no funeral services and a Mass will be said at a later date.