



## Robert Stoner

October 29, 1940 - January 8, 2017

Mr. Robert Lee Stoner (Bob), 76, of Laurel, MD passed away on Sunday, January 8, 2017 at his home after bravely fighting a battle against cancer. No funeral services are being held and a private ceremony will take place. Bob was born at the Prince Georges County Hospital in Maryland to Mr. John Roland Stoner and Ruth Mary Stoner on October 29, 1940. He grew up in Laurel, Maryland and attended St. Mary of the Mills school and St. Mildred High Academy. He married Wanda Jean Beard on December 12th, 1964. They had two children. He was a member of the United States Air Force for four years serving in the medics' field. After leaving the Military, he continued to work in the medics' field at a hospital. Several years later he pursued a new job career with Baltimore Gas & Electric Co. where he stayed until he retired in 2001. In past years, he was active in the American Legion Post and the Moose Lodge Fraternity. During his retirement years, he and Wanda did extensive volunteer work in the community with fund raisers and weekly breakfasts at the Laurel Volunteer Fire Department hall. Bob loved to travel. He and Wanda took many cruises and also adventures to many different countries, enjoying the experiences that came with each place visited. He and Wanda were active members of Howard County's North Laurel Community Center where walking and socializing was their enjoyment. His passion was gardening, every spring you would see him prepping for the summer harvest. He would try to plant something new each year, spending many, many hours in the garden. Even in the fall he would be outside planting garlic and many

other fall vegetables. He also enjoyed stock car racing, fifties rock and roll music, hot sauces, and a beverage or two with his sons and friends. He was a generous and gregarious person and will be missed by all who knew him. Bob Stoner is preceded in death by John Stoner (father), Ruthie Stoner (mother) and Larry Stoner (brother, who died at age 11). Bob Stoner is survived by his spouse Wanda Jean Stoner, his son Larry Stoner and wife Lissa, his son Tony Stoner and wife Darelyn, and three grandchildren: Colten, Amanda, and Fallon Stoner, as well as brothers Jim, Bill, and Danny Stoner and sister Marianne Gover. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that a donation be made to Gilchrist Hospice Center ([www.gilchristhospice.org](http://www.gilchristhospice.org) .) in honor of Robert Stoner. The family of Bob wish to extend sincere thanks to Johns Hopkins Cancer Center in Columbia, Maryland; Gilchrist Hospice Center and their wonderful nursing staff, and to all friends and family who have offered assistance during this difficult time.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *My prayers and condolences for your loss*

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**Dennis A. Witmer** - January 16, 2017 at 05:06 PM

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“ *My deepest sympathy to you Wanda and your family. I always enjoyed visiting with your guys when I was in Laurel.*

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**Kathy Jackson** - January 10, 2017 at 11:20 AM