

## ROBERT EDWARD BOWLES



On Thursday, December 21. Beloved husband of Marilyn Ruth Bowles; loving father of Dr. Karen E. Bowles (Michael Baime); devoted brother of the late John Richard Bowles (Elynnedd Poole Bowles); and doting grandfather of Ava and Marilyn Tokarek. Bob was born in Welch, West Virginia in 1936, the son of Richard Webb Bowles and Blanche Daugherty Bowles. He grew up in Pittsburgh, where he attended the University of

Pittsburgh ROTC program and majored in Political Science. He had a lifelong interest in politics, current events, and bluegrass music. After college he was accepted into a selective management training program at Pittsburgh Plate Glass (now PPG Industries), where he worked for 37 years and ultimately retired as the Director of Logistics and Supply Chain Management. He was proud to have served on the Grace Commission, a presidential task force created by Ronald Regan to increase efficiency and decrease costs of governmental operations. He had a remarkable memory, a wonderful sense of humor, a loving heart, and tremendous pride in the accomplishments of his children and grandchildren. A brief memorial service will be held at Shannondell Retirement Community, Ashcroft Clubhouse, in the Heritage Room, on Saturday January 6, 2024 at 1:00 pm. Guests will also be received on January 6 between 4 :00 and 7:00 pm at the Bowles/Baime household, 838 N 24th St, Philadelphia, PA 19130. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Women's Refugee Commission.

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