

## ROBERT D. WOOD



Passed away on Sunday, June 2, 2024, at his home with his loving wife Gaye by his side. Bob was born in Thayer, Missouri on March 8, 1947. He was the son of Clifton and Shirley Wood, both of whom predeceased him.

Bob graduated from the University of Missouri in 1969 with a bachelor's degree in marketing and logistics. He spent his entire career with the Kansas City Southern

Railroad. His work took he and Gaye to Beaumont, Texas, Kansas City, (the company's home office), New York City, Pittsburgh, and finally back to Kansas City. Bob concluded his career as Vice President of Marketing. His position had entailed traveling all over the United States and Mexico.

While hailing from Missouri, Pittsburgh became his second home. In retirement, Bob was an avid golfer, loved fishing, and always seemed to have the winning hand when playing cards with buddies. He enjoyed travelling the mountains, including in Wyoming, Colorado, and Yellowstone. Bob was a fabulous storyteller and jokester. He loved to recount that he and Gaye were married on July 5, 1969, or what he termed "the day after Independence Day".

Bob will be deeply missed by family, friends, and colleagues. Gifts in lieu of flowers may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or to First Tee, a nonprofit dedicated to empowering kids and teens through golf, at 5370 Schenley Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15217. A celebration of life service will be held this summer in remembrance of him.

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