



Robert "Bob" Mathew Preston

February 21, 1926 - March 23, 2024

Robert "Bob" Mathew Preston, age 98, passed away peacefully at Bell Trace in Bloomington, IN on Saturday, March 23, 2024, with family by his side. He was born in Niles, MI on February 21, 1926, to Harry Charles Preston and Margaret Caroline Kruger. Bob attended Muncie Central High School, graduated from the University of Notre Dame, and pursued graduate studies in accounting at Indiana University. He served in the US Navy during the Korean War as a lieutenant on the USS President Jackson. Bob met his wife of 52 years, Patricia Freeman, through his sister, Harriet. They married on June 21, 1958, and remained together until her passing in 2011.

Bob spent most of his life in Muncie, IN, where he worked in accounting roles and eventually retired as Controller for the City of Muncie. After retirement, he and Pat moved to Bloomington where they were joined by their son John, who helped care for him till his passing.

Survivors include, his children, Colleen (Mike) Zurek, Patrick (Karrin) Preston, and John Preston; grandchildren, Matthew Zurek, Katie Zurek, Emma Zurek, Logan Preston, and Luisa Grutz; and many nieces and nephews.

Bob was preceded in death by his wife, Pat; his parents; and his sister, Harriet Fulton.

Bob had a perpetual curiosity throughout his life. He was a lifelong learner and an avid reader. He had a love of family gatherings, geology, genealogy, owls, Notre Dame football, running, and spending time outdoors. He will be remembered by his children and grandchildren for his warm smiles and sense

of humor, unconditional love, and appreciation of the wonders of the world, large and small.

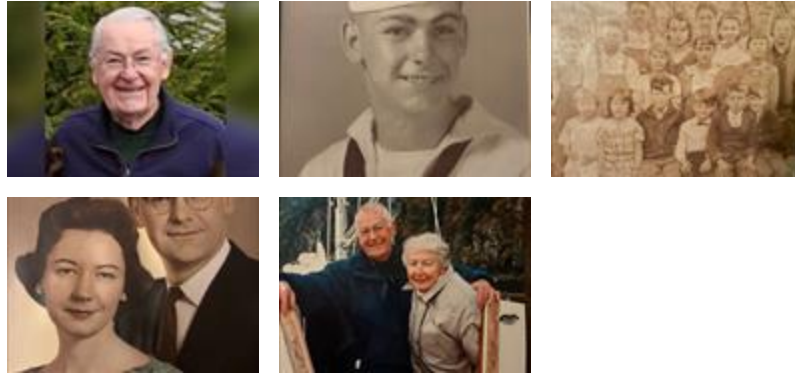
Allen Funeral Home and Crematory (4155 South Old State Road 37) is entrusted with the arrangements. Online condolences, photos and memories may be shared with family and friends at www.allencares.com.

In lieu of flowers, a tree may be planted in Bob's name or a donation may be made to a charity of your choice.

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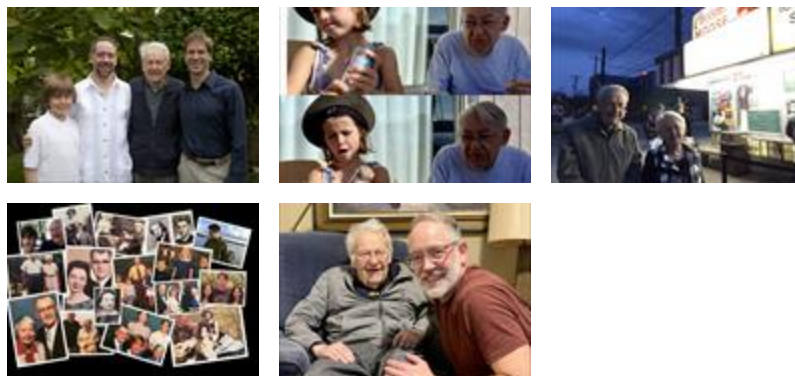
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“ I worked with Mr. Preston when he was at Marhoefers. His wife, Patricia, was my 7th grade math teacher at Burriss School. He was a fine man. I wrote many programs for him as he was Marhoefers Controller. I missed him very much. God bless him.

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