



Mr. Bob Gibson

January 21, 1937 - December 14, 2016

Mr. Bob Gibson of High River, Alberta passed away at the Foothills Hospital in Calgary on December 14, 2016 at the age of 79 years. Bob is survived by his loving wife Alice; children Dan (Dorothy) of Dartmouth, NS, David of the world, Dean (Debbie) of Bragg Creek, AB and Allison of Melbourne, AUS; grandchildren Amber, Sean (Pam), Scott (Danielle), Brad (Leah), Charlie, Kate, Will, Tom, Harry and Grace; great-grandchildren Max, Robbie, Madelaine and Sophia; cousins Michael and Ted (Melanie) as well as his aunt Pauline. Bob was predeceased by his father Harry and mother Dorothy; his grandparents Daw and Meg Cochrane.

Bob was born in Calgary and attended Crescent Heights High School, near the Bow River, where he met Billie Alice and apparently impressed her with his competitive hockey and football skills whilst working at Burns Meat Packers in the Inglewood Area.

Alice and Bob began chasing drilling rigs for Magcobar where Bob spent the next 20+ years in Central and Southern Alberta, Calgary, Nova Scotia as well, as Alaska.

Between checking rigs and managing drilling fluids people, Bob and Alice managed to have 4 children. Bob enjoyed curling, camping, travelling but his greatest passion became golfing with family and friends of which he had

many. Over the decades, Bob spent many hours at rinks, ball fields, gyms and golf courses watching and coaching his children and grandchildren.

After more than 20 years with Dresser Magcobar, Bob furthered his career managing and owning Ace Resources running drilling fluids people and investing in oil and gas plays.

Bob gradually retired from Ace Resources after almost 3 decades to live, love and play golf at Highwood Golf and Country Club. To say Bob was loved and respected in his High River community would understate his presence among his neighbours, family and friends.

Throughout their 62 year marriage, Bob and Alice were adventurous and often traveled to spend time; with Dan and Dorothy and their family in Nova Scotia, with Allison and her beautiful kids in Australia, with David and his family in Mexico and Vancouver and with Dean and his dogs in Bragg Creek. Byron Bay was perhaps Bob's favourite place to hang out.

Bob knew how to love intensely. His big bear hugs, great sense of humour, strength of character and loyal friendship will be greatly missed.

Great husband. Great Dad. Great Grandfather. Great friend.

A Celebration of Bob's Life was held on Wednesday, December 21st at 1:00 p.m. at the Highwood Golf & Country Club (400 7th St. NW, High River). In lieu of flowers the family have asked for donations to be made to the High River District Health Foundation (560 9th Ave. SW, High River, T1V 1B3) or a charity of the donor's choice.

To send condolences and view Bob's Tribute Page please visit www.lylereeves.com . Caring for the family is Lyle Reeves Funerals of High River

(403.652.4242).

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

DEC 21. 1:00 PM (MT)

Highwood Golf & Country Club
400 7th Street NW
High River, AB (CA)
<http://www.highwoodgolf.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Lyle Reeves Funerals created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Bob Gibson*



Lyle Reeves Funerals - December 22, 2016 at 02:10 PM

RH

“ *Dear Alice and family,*

I am very much saddened to hear of Bob's passing. Bob and I first met at the beginning of Sogar's first joint venture. It was a great pleasure and honour to have worked with him for many years. Bob was honest, loyal and dependable - a true gentleman. He will be greatly missed.

Marg joins me in offering our most sincere condolences. Our thoughts are with you at this difficult time.

Rick and Marg Harrop

Rick Harrop - December 22, 2016 at 04:59 PM

JR

“ *Alice, my sincerest condolences on the sudden passing of your dear husband. My thoughts are with you at this sad time.*

Jane Russell

Jane Russell - December 22, 2016 at 12:07 PM

HD

“ From all of us here at Highwood Dental, we send our thoughts and prayers to you Alice and family. He was such a kind, gentle man and we will miss his smile.

HIGHWOOD DENTAL - December 21, 2016 at 12:27 PM



“ From all the Leggott family we send our thoughts and prayers. Bob was an amazing man and I thought of him like my own dad. He will be missed especially his smile. He always made me laugh and had such a kind heart. I remember the weekend my mom and I came to stay at the house just before the flood. It was the fathers day weekend and we spent it golfing. Bob loved his golf. Dean, myself, David and Bob spent the day on the golf course. It was a very special weekend for me as my dad passed away over 6 years ago so to spend it with Bob and his family was very special to me. He will be missed and will always have a special place in my heart. Beside my dad. We will miss you. Cindy, Kathleen, Marlon , Mark and Debbie.



Cindy Betteridge - December 20, 2016 at 07:20 PM

CP

“ *On behalf of Mary and myself, our condolences to Alice and the Gibson Family. We have, indeed lost a good colleague over the many years I have know him. We will all miss him. Charles Pearn (Sogar).*

Charles Pearn - December 20, 2016 at 02:26 PM

DS

“ *Dear Alice and Family
I cannot say how saddened I am to hear of Bob's passing. He was a mentor when I worked for him and more than that, became a good friend. I know he will be missed by many.*

*Please accept my deepest condolences.
David Satter*

David Satter - December 20, 2016 at 12:57 AM

BG

“ *4 files added to the tribute wall*



Brad Gibson - December 19, 2016 at 01:21 PM

GD

“ As Bob, Jim Robinson and I were, for many years, the first in the office, we had our morning coffee and bitch session to start the day. They will both be missed.
My sincerest condolences.
George Duska

George Duska - December 19, 2016 at 10:01 AM

JB

“ Mrs. Gibson and Family, Both Richard and I are sending all of you our sincerest sympathy and best regards. We had the honour of meeting Mr.Gibson at Dan's birthday party in Dartmouth.He was a very warm and kind gentleman.We will be thinking of you.(Dan and Dorothy, thinking of you and your family. Sorry to hear this bad news Dan)
Jennifer and Richard Blythe.

Jennifer Blythe - December 19, 2016 at 06:42 AM

MC

Sending all our love to 'Bears' family - Steve and I had such an amazing introduction to Canada 16 years ago , courtesy of Bob and Alice - and many wonderful times in Australia with when he and Alice visited Al and the kids . What a kind, extraordinary , warm and funny man who blessed the world with his presence. He lives on in all of you. Take care of each other. Meredith , Steve , Claude and Raph.

meredith coote - December 21, 2016 at 05:44 PM

SL

“ Many many fond memories of Bob and all of you.

Susan Lackie

Susan Lackie - December 18, 2016 at 09:19 PM

SC

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



scott - December 18, 2016 at 07:34 PM

SC

Dear Grandpa, Thank you for all your kindness and guidance! Lots of love, Scott

scott - December 18, 2016 at 07:40 PM

PG

Our love and prayers are with your family at this sorrowful time.

Paul and Carol Gallagher - December 18, 2016 at 08:40 PM

AK

“ *Dear Alice and Family,
My thoughts are with you at this sad time. Bob was such a kind and gentle soul. I miss him and we cherish the memories from January 2016. The Keyte Family - Melbourne Australia*



Adam Keyte - December 18, 2016 at 05:57 PM

BS

“ Alice:
So sorry to learn about Bob's passing-it was quite a surprise. Lots of good memories over the years of Bob-he was a nice guy and he will be missed.
My condolences-we live in Penticton now and sadly cannot attend the celebration of life.
Bob Sumner(the older Bob)

Bob Sumner - December 18, 2016 at 12:57 PM

MW

“ 1 file added to the album Cousins



Michael Wright - December 18, 2016 at 10:59 AM

DF

“ Sorry to hear of your loss Alice. Daphne and Pat Feeney

Daphne Feeney - December 18, 2016 at 09:11 AM

RM

“ Alice & family; Our thoughts are with you, many memories from the golf course. A true gentleman that we will miss.
Rod & Carmen McLachlan

rod mclachlan - December 17, 2016 at 08:56 PM

BS

“ Dear Alice and family, so sorry to hear about Bob passing. He was a great man and I always enjoyed being around him with his genuine smile and laughter. My Mom also send her thoughts and we are so lucky to have spent the afternoon and evening together in High River not to long ago. Bob and Diana Sumner and Dana Morkeberg, all sending love your way.

Bob Sumner - December 17, 2016 at 06:31 PM

MM

“ Dear Alice and Family,

Dennis and I were so sorry to learn of Bob's sudden passing. Our sincere sympathy to you and your family.

Marg & Dennis McGuire High River

Marg McGuire - December 17, 2016 at 05:28 PM

JM

“ our thoughts & prayers are with you, ALICE & FAMILY

JOHN MAC MILLAN - December 17, 2016 at 03:21 PM

MR

“ 2 files added to the album New Album Name



Merridell Richardson - December 17, 2016 at 02:38 PM

MR

“ Alice, Dan and family, David and Family, Dean and Allison and family.... My heart is breaking for you all, and there is a big empty hole in my heart. Bob was always larger than life and always so kind and helpful to me. Such a kind and helpful man and a stand in Dad to me too. I will cherish all the wonderful memories I have of Bob and the Gibson family. God Bless

Merridell Richardson

Merridell Richardson - December 17, 2016 at 02:08 PM

WG

“ Alice and family,
We are very sorry to hear of Bob's passing. He was a great neighbour and golf partner.
Always friendly to talk with and share our thoughts of troubles with flooding and other topics of local interest.
God bless your family in this time of his passing.
Anne and Wayne Gilchrist

Wayne Gilchrist - December 16, 2016 at 01:01 PM

GC

“ Alice and family,
Our thoughts are with you at this difficult time. Bob was a true gentleman and had a great sense of humor and wonderful personality. We will miss him.
God Bless all of you.

Gerry and Barb Coakwell - December 15, 2016 at 10:54 PM

SA

Alice & Family
we are saddened to hear of your loss. Please know how sorry we are
Shirley & Don Sarsfield

Sarsfield's - December 17, 2016 at 10:09 PM

TJ

Alice & Family

We are so sorry to hear of Bob's passing. Our thoughts & prayers are with you & your family. You just couldn't find a nicer guy to be around, we will miss him.

Terry & Gayle Jarton

Terry Jarton - December 18, 2016 at 03:57 AM

RH

So Sad to hear of Bob's passing Bob was a great friend and working with Bob for many years was some of my best years, and all the years that we worked together in Nova Scotia. Sorry Alice, Danny & Family David & Family Dean & Allison I can't get back to Canada until the 22nd so I will miss the celebration of Bobs Life My Heart Felt Condolences.

Roger Hoffort

Roger Hoffort - December 18, 2016 at 09:30 AM

JM

So sorry to learn of Bob's passing. It seems like the old guard is just fading away. Our prayers are with you.

Judi , Billy and Eddie Melville.

jJudi Melville - December 18, 2016 at 10:18 AM

BW

We got to know Bob - and Alice - through SOGAR B business and social events. His bass voice and the graciousness of his words will be missed. Our condolences to Alice and the family. Renee and Brian Wells

Brian Wells - December 18, 2016 at 11:57 AM

BD

Bob, there will always be a hole in our "Happy Hour" group and we will reserve a place at the table to remember you. Your presence was always kind and gentle. We're so thankful to have so many wonderful memories of you and the antics around Pat's campfire, on the golf course, in the clubhouse, and around our community. Sincere condolences to Alice and your family. Love Brenda and Wally Dick

Brenda Dick - December 19, 2016 at 11:01 AM

RB

It comes with great sadness to hear of the passing away of Bob. He was a great man with a HUGE heart. I knew bob from a business standpoint, and got to know him over the past 20+ years as an incredible business man and even more of a family man. Bob was a mentor to me, and his absence will be noticed around the Sogar Family. Alice, you were blessed with Bob in your life 62+ years ago, and all the fantastic memories will go on forever. My deepest condolences are prayers are with Alice and the entire Gibson family. Ron Bobyn, and the entire Family at Sogar.

Ron Bobyn - December 19, 2016 at 11:01 AM

RB

I will always cherish the Bob, Jim and Bill relationship that began about 39 years ago with Bob and Alice going to Alaska - and returning with an Arctic char! :)

Bob and Alice you have been so very special!

Bob's passing is a huge loss to everyone whose lives you touched.

I feel particularly blessed by what we have shared all these years in life's ups, downs and arounds.

This is one of those times another language gives better expression. In French - Je suis desolee - In English - I am desolate.

My children knew Bob - we are all very moved and offer sincere condolences.

Ron Beninger - December 19, 2016 at 01:12 PM

CM

Dearest Alice, Danny, David, Dean, Alison and all the rest of your lovely family.

Dale & I were so sad to hear of Bob's passing. Our street is certainly going to miss seeing him amble along the pathway, stopping to pass the time of day and always giving big hugs, gentle humor and wise opinions. He will be missed so very much. Sorry we can't be with you on Wednesday but our thoughts certainly will be.

Dale & Carol-Ann McKellar

carol Ann McKellar - December 20, 2016 at 12:07 AM

TS

So many stories to remember. Bob was many things to me. Certainly a cousin, but at times when I needed one he was a big brother.. Sometimes he was like a father. And when Bob and Alice needed a babysitter in later years, I guess Bob was my employer. One of the advantages of a small family - multiple roles. Bob never stopped living until the moment his life was over. He wasn't the kind of man to put up with the foolishness of dying. He just absorbed the wonder of life until he was finished. And then he left.

Ted Sandilands - December 21, 2016 at 01:04 PM

 Janet Eger

*Dear Alice, Al, Dan, David and Dean,
I'm so sorry to have missed the service today as I'm in Toronto and I would have loved to have paid my respects to this wonderful man. I wish you all strength as you grieve this tremendous loss and find comfort in knowing the legacy left by Bob is epitomized in his lovely family. With love to all,
Janet Eger*

Janet Eger - December 21, 2016 at 01:13 PM

GG

HI ALICE, WAS VERY SURPRISED,AND SADDENED WITH BOBS PASSING, HE WAS A GREAT BOSS TO WORK FOR, I HOPE TO BE UP THIS SUMMER. HI TO ALL THE KIDS, YOU KEEP THAT GREAT SENSE OF HUMOR,LOVE YOU , GARRY

GARRY GREYSEN - December 30, 2016 at 04:11 PM