

## **Robert Andrew Reinman**



Robert (Bob) accepted his last PCS assignment to his Heavenly home on November 7, 2013. And, can now begin his conversation of a lifetime with his Creator. His courageous fight against prostate cancer showed the true warrior he was. He handled this battle with his gifts of humor, determination, and grace.

Bob's life began tranquilly in Newark, New Jersey in the autumn 1939. He was greeted by his loving parents and big brother Paul. Then all heaven broke loose.

Bob graduated from St. Benedict's Prep School 1957, Newark College of Engineering BSEE and AFROTC. He was commissioned a 2nd Lt June 1962.

Along the way, the Air Force supported his studies that resulted in an MSEE, MS (Math) and a PhD in Electrical Engineering from the University of Illinois.

Bob gathered this knowledge and led many students as Professor of Electrical Engineering at the Air Force Institute of Technology, Dayton Ohio.

His Air Force career progressed to Telecommunications Division Chief, Europe. An early selection to Lt. Colonel brought him command of the 1836th Engineering Installation Group, overseeing engineering and installation of communications, radar, and meteorological systems in Europe. A second early promotion sent him to the National Defense University as a Senior Research Fellow, publishing a monograph on Emergency Telecommunications Policy.

His communications command career took him to Reston Virginia. In 1985, Bob became commander of Engineering Installation Division at Tinker AFB. In this headquarters position, he led 8,500 personnel responsible for the design, engineering, and implementation of all world-wide telecommunications, radar and computer systems.

Colonel Reinman enjoyed a final assignment to DCA Europe. As commander he supervised all military communication systems in Europe and the Middle East. This tour included the first Gulf War and the fall of the Iron Curtain. He retired 1992.

The following three and half years as a civilian in Stuttgart, Bob continued to work on various telecommunication systems for western and former Warsaw Pact countries.

Bob returned to the USA in 1996 to pursue his passions: teaching, volleyball, and bridge. He earned a MS in computer science and taught many courses at Colorado Technical University. He traveled the world playing/refereeing volleyball. He was a multiple gold medal winner, and

played competitive bridge as a Silver Life Master.

Forty seven years ago, Bob married Lt. Jean Hornung, RN in Steubenville, OH. They have one son, Paul (Suzanne) of Stillwater, OK and one daughter, Erica, a DVM of Janesville, Wisconsin. Bob is also survived by his brother Paul (Nancy) Troy, Ohio.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in Bob's memory to Colorado Senior Volleyball Association (CSVA), Attn: Treasurer, 2403 Illinois St, Golden, CO 80401.

Funeral services were held at St. Peter Catholic Church, Monument, Colorado on Thursday, November 14, 2013 with a reception following the service.