



John Hibbard Robertson

November 23, 2021

John Hibbard “Hib” Robertson, 93, of Lancaster, PA passed away on Tuesday, November 23, 2021. Born in Deland, FL, he was the son of the late John Taylor Robertson and Fern Hibbard Robertson.

He grew up on the beach and enjoyed working as a lifeguard before graduating from Carlisle Military School. He earned a Bachelor’s degree from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, where he was a member of Theta Chi fraternity and an MBA from Temple University. Hib honorably served his country in the United States Marine Corps during the Korean War. He survived the second landing of Inchon, the Battle of Bunker Hill, and the defense of Hill 181. Hib served 14 months in Korea in the Third Battalion, Seventh Marines, George Company. He was an infantry officer in the First Marines Division. Hib later became a platoon leader and then a company commander with the rank of Captain; he was promoted to Assistant Operations Officer for the battalion. He received two letters of commendation and received the Rifle Sharpshooter award as a platoon leader.

Hib was a longtime resident of Lancaster. Hib worked as a general production manager in the packaging division of Armstrong World Industries and Kerr Glass Company. Later, he became Vice President of Production at Kerr Glass company. After his career with Armstrong and Kerr, he became Chief Operations Officer with Woodstream Corporation in Lititz.

Hib gave back to the community in many ways. He was a board member of the Woodstream Corporation, Heritage Savings and Loan, the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce and Industry, American Fish and Tackle Manufacturing Association, the Fulton Opera House. He was Board Chairman of the Linden Hall School for Girls.

Hib was a 50-year member of the Lancaster County Club and a proud member of the "Court Jesters" tennis group. With the jester friends, he had some of his favorite times on and off the court, including parties and travel to Florida and Idaho. The Jesters were among his truest friends. A lifelong Episcopalian, Hib was a life member of St. James Vestry. Hib was also a member of Lancaster Rotary.

Hib was an enthusiastic fan of North Carolina Tar Heels basketball and Dallas Cowboys football. Though his travels took him around the world, he loved our nation's natural beauty, especially Yellowstone National Park. And, his favorite dessert was vanilla ice cream.

If you knew Hib, you know how devoted he was to his family. Even though the family was spread out across the country, Hib spent the time to stay in touch with everyone as well as making sure that they stayed in touch with each other.

Hib is survived by his wife of 29 years, Robin B. Robertson; his children Margaret Bousquette (Kevin) of Stuart, FL, Dr. John H. Robertson, Jr. (Virginia) of Bull Head City, AZ, Sarah Robertson (Tom) of Charlotte, NC, and Christian Herr (Amy) of Vienna, VA; his eight grandchildren Marie-Claire, Jenna, Brad (Alex), Kayla, Cristiana, Sophia, Zachary, and Oliver; and his two great grandchildren Jasmine and Emma. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Joanne Bradford Robertson.

A requiem mass will be held at St. James Episcopal Church on Friday, December 10, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. Friends are welcome to greet the family in the chapel at 10:00 a.m. until the time of the service. Interment will be private at Forest Hills Memorial Park, Mt. Penn, Reading, PA.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the American Cancer Society at www.cancer.org to donate online or by mail 314 Good Drive, Lancaster, PA 17603.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **10**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. James Episcopal Church
119 N. Duke Street
Lancaster, PA 17603

Funeral Mass

DEC **10**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of John Hibbard Robertson*



The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - December 10, 2021 at 11:49 AM



“ *John Hibbard Robertson*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *Hib was an amazing warrior and loved his family. He smiled and greatly enjoyed being home with his wife, and loved when he got to see his children. Hib you will be missed and thank you for all your amazing service to our country, as well as your kindness in helping others. God is truly blessed to have you, and I am praying for his family! Cindy Blevins*

Cindy Blevins - December 11, 2021 at 11:26 AM



“ 262 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - December 10, 2021 at 11:34 AM

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“ *Dear Robin,
With great sadness I learned of Hib's passing. What a wonderful man and what a kind and cheerful companion in life. You must have so many cherished memories to help you as you grieve. It is always a long and tough road.
Sending you love and deepest sympathies,
Anne Orban*

Anne - December 09, 2021 at 03:53 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Hibbard Robertson.*



December 06, 2021 at 03:10 PM

BF

“ *ROBIN AND ROBERTSON FAMILY; OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES IN THE LOSS OF YOUR HUSBAND AND FATHER. PLEASE ACCEPT OUR CONDOLENCES IN THE LOSS OF HIB. SINCERELY; BARBARA AND LARRY FAGAN*

Barbara Fagan - December 05, 2021 at 01:11 PM

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“ *Barbara Fagan lit a candle in memory of John Hibbard Robertson*



Barbara Fagan - December 05, 2021 at 01:01 PM

DB

“ *Dear Robin,
I didn't know Hib well, but when our paths crossed, he always seemed to have a smile and a kind word. I know my mother & dad were very fond of him. Please accept my deepest condolences.
Dan Browning*

Dan Browning - December 05, 2021 at 09:32 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John Hibbard Robertson.*



December 04, 2021 at 07:33 AM

LM

“ *My sincerest condolences.*
Lori Murray

Lori Murray - December 01, 2021 at 08:03 PM

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“ *Lori Murray lit a candle in memory of John
Hibbard Robertson*



Lori Murray - December 01, 2021 at 08:01 PM