



## Robert Blount

July 20, 1926 - September 1, 2012

BLOUNT, ROBERT J. "BOB" Robert J. "Bob" Blount passed away September 1, 2012. He was born in Artesia, New Mexico and graduated from Artesia High School after which he volunteered to serve in the Army Air Corps. The end of WW II came soon thereafter and he took advantage of the GI Bill to attend the University of New Mexico, graduating with a BS in Business Administration. What he took as a "temporary job" ended up as a rewarding career of nearly forty years with Sandia National Laboratories. Bob was predeceased by his parents, three siblings, and his beloved wife of fifty-one years, Carrie-Mae MacNair Blount. He is survived by his children Susan Blount, Lawrence Blount and wife Michelle, and Holly Blount Laird and husband Michael; grandchildren Emily and husband Daniel Steinbaugh, Charles Laird and wife Caitlin, Matthew Blount, Russell Wiarda, and Jon Laird; by sister Gerry Blount Lightwine, by family friend Karen Carlson and special companion Frances Tuthill. In college and later, Bob enjoyed membership in Alpha Kappa Psi, Phi Sigma Iota, and Phi Kappa Phi. Over the years he enjoyed flying, bicycling, motorcycling, boating and water skiing, snow skiing, raising and training Golden Retrievers, hunting, fishing, and playing bridge. He was a life member of the NRA based on his constitutional beliefs and an honorary life member of the National Association of Parliamentarians based on his service to the organization. A lifelong fascination with how things work led him to become an accomplished auto mechanic and home handyman. As technology exploded, he began building and using personal computers. Many

a night, he could be found with his nose in the best-selling novel or a technical manual for his latest gadget. He was admired by many for his intelligence, curiosity, and wisdom. A private gathering was held shortly after his death in his home. His children would like to thank all of his friends, neighbors, and health care professionals for their kindness and compassion during the past few months.

# Tribute Wall

LS

“ Dear Susan & Family, My sincere condolences to you, all. I knew Bob only as a neighbor a few houses down the street, but my sense was that he was a kind and gentle man. Though I am saddened by his passing, I'm glad to know he no longer suffers. May he rest in peace. Sincerely, LeeAnne

---

**LeeAnne (Evannko) Smith** - December 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MV

“ My condolences to the family. I am sure he will be missed by all. I was surprised to find out that Bob was raised in Artesia, as was one branch of my family. Perhaps this accounts for his kindly, modest demeanor, which was more or less the rule with my relatives from there. My surviving childhood memories of Mr. Bount are few but all carry an aura of a very kind person. He was always kind to everyone that I knew. Wouldn't the world be a much better place if we were all more like Bob?

---

**Mark Vaughn** - September 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ On behalf of the French Family of Companies we express our deepest condolences.

---

**Apollo, Joel and the rest of the Lomas staff** - September 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM