

# **Robert James Cronin**

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R obert "Bob" James Cronin went home to be with his Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ on Tuesday, August 5, 2014.

Bob's greatest inspiration was his love of his family. He was a faithful husband and father. He was a humble man who walked in integrity and honor. He loved and served the Lord with all his heart. His life reflected the love of God and his service to his family, church and community testify that he was a man of purpose and faith.

Bob and his wife, Christine, shared a dream of helping the special needs community. Eighteen years ago, Wings of Eagles Ranch, became that dream fulfilled. Through horseback riding and outdoor activities, the ranch offers a place of hope and adventure. Bob used his talents and gifting's and designed and built most of the ranch facilities. His fingerprints are everywhere on the 88 acre farm. This ministry has touched hundreds of lives.

Bob's love for the outdoors and adventure also includes a passion for racing. He spent over 40 years in the racing community. He was a brilliant engine builder and an expert at his craft. He owned CRD Engine Development for the past 25 years. He built and designed engines for multiple teams. He has an extensive background with many aspects of road racing. The Cronin Family is known for living life to the fullest sharing a love of horses, fishing, boating & biking and spending time in the outdoors.

The legacy Bob leaves is one of faith, service, integrity, dedication and immense love. Bob was a man of few words but he creatively expressed his love by his actions and the way he lived his life. Although hearts are saddened by this loss the life and legacy Bob left behind will continue to touch lives for years to come.

A life well lived is worth celebrating. Please join us as we share Bob Cronin's story on Monday, August 11, 2014 at 7:00 pm at Concord First Assembly Church where he and his family faithfully attended for a Celebration of Life Service. Pastor Rick Ross will officiate.

#### **Robert James Cronin**





Robert James Cronin, born to James & Barbara Cronin on November 6, 1953. He shared 29 years with the love of his life Christine Cronin. His children, Garret & Kathy Cronin and his three granddaughters Abbey, Leah & Charlotte, Christopher & Sarah Cronin, Brendan Cronin and Robert & Alexandra Letto are his greatest blessings. Other precious family members are his parents Jim & Linda Cronin and Barbara Cochran. His siblings include, David Cronin, Ken Cronin, Susie McCabe and Gwen Hobdy. His impact on their lives will be treasured in their hearts forever.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to the Wings of Eagles Ranch Therapeutic Horseback Riding & Outdoor Adventure Center, 4800 Faith Trails, Concord, NC 28025.



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#### Randy Colo'n posted:

I worked for Jim Cronin Bobbys (how I knew him) dad, met Bobby around 1980, though he was serious about his work we always had wide smiles and time to talk, his dad had him work at the shop, Glendale Truck & equipment Glendale Ca for about a month or two just before he started CRD in Hunnington Beach Ca, I think it had something to do with a down payment on some start up money for CRD. Boy did we have fun working side by side and got tight. I helped him with the Glendale Truck sponserd sprint car of Greg Jones for a few years and he became my main go to guy for all things race engine. Bigger than life having his cell phone that he always answered and had time for a cordial (Heyyy how ya doin) before talking tech, I know this letter is a little late. Bobby thanks for the memories. Randy Colo'n

August 15 at 4:22 AM



#### Vic Maguire posted:

So sorry to hear of Bob's passing. I worked with Bob in 1987 at Peerless Racing where he was our engine builder/tuner (through Dennis Fischer) and again at Tom Gloy Racing, where we powered our Trans Am cars with CRD engines. When I moved to NC, I found Bob here again, supplying power to Nick at CRP Racing, a customer of mine also. His work and product were always the best.My condolences to his wife, children, family and friends. RIP, Bob.

August 13 at 6:54 AM



#### Steven Mcallister posted:

We built product for Bob's dyno. I enjoyed the few times I spoke with him on the phone and at trade shows. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends in this time. May God continue to Bless and watch over you. Steve and Cindy McAllisterInnovation Engineering

August 11 at 9:36 AM



#### Suzanne Beck posted:

So sorry to hear about the loss of Bob Cronin. Know that he is home in the loving arms of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. No more suffering, Bob will be looking down on his family and watch over them with tender love and care. Our thoughts and prayers are for the Cronin Family. May God continue to Bless and watch over you. Suzanne Beck

August 10 at 10:27 AM



## Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Robert by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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