



## Robert Miller

October 2, 2007

"Bob" Robert A. Miller, Jr., passed away on October 2, 2007, at the Franciscan Care Center, Sylvania, Ohio. Bob was born on February 8, 1934, in Columbia, South Carolina, son of the late Clarice and Robert A Miller, Sr.

He graduated from Atkins High School in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, in 1952. He attended North Carolina College (now North Carolina Central University) in Durham, North Carolina, in 1952. He left North Carolina College in January of 1955 to enter the U.S. Air Force. He took his basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. From there he was sent to the Great Lakes Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, IL. He trained as a surgical technician, graduating at the top of his class.

In 1955, during the Korean Conflict, he was stationed at Itazuke Air Force Base, Japan, where he supervised a surgical tech team of 5 airmen. He was on call for hospitals in Nagoya and Kyoto, Japan. He talked fondly of his years in Japan where he acquired the nickname "El-Tricky-san". Bob was honorably discharged in November, 1958, reserved status until January of 1963. He returned to North Carolina College on the GI bill where he met his wife, Gerry. They married in 1960 and moved to Cincinnati, Ohio.

Bob managed the Bonded Oil Station at Indiana and Collingwood when he first came to Toledo in 1963. He was then employed by Owens-Illinois,

Development Center, in 1965, retiring in 1985 as an administrative manager in the International Division. After retirement, he was a small property real estate owner/manager. Bob was a pretty good pool player and loved the board game Tripoley. He was a member of the NAACP and the Southern Poverty Law Center. He taught his twin sons to work hard and always do a good job.

Bob is survived by his wife of 47 years, Geraldine, twin sons, Creighton (Michelle Walker-Miller) and Corey (Eva) Miller; two grandchildren, Robert D. and Amber L. Miller; brothers, William (Sandra), Larry and Charles Miller, all of Cincinnati, Ohio; sister, Barbara Miller of Cincinnati, Ohio; brother-in-law, Glenn Washington and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, friends, and special friends, William Watkins, James Terry and Carmack Hopson.

He was preceded in death by his parents and sisters, Roberta Bruton, Rosetta Washington and Dorothy Ann Goldsmith.

We are very grateful to the doctors, nurses and staff of MU/UT and St. Luke's Hospital for their efforts during Bob's illness. A special thanks to the Dialysis Unit at MU/UT and Dialysis Partners. Thank you Trish and Leola. We express our gratitude to Dr's. Akpunonu, Hageman and Maholtra. Thank you to the Franciscan Care Center nurses and staff for your care and concern. Your kindness will always be remembered and appreciated.

Visitation will be from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Dale-Riggs Funeral Home, 572, Nebraska Avenue, on Sunday, October 7. The family will receive friends from 4 to 5 p.m. Funeral Service will be at Family Baptist Church, 11 a.m. Monday, October 8, Pastor Charles McBee, Officiant. Burial in Historic Woodlawn Cemetery.

Donations in Bob's memory may be made to the National Kidney Foundation, the Southern Poverty Law Center or the NAACP. [www.dalefh.com](http://www.dalefh.com)