



Robert Yetman Perinchief

January 31, 1931 - February 1, 2021

Robert Yetman Perinchief
a.k.a. "Dr. Bob" & "Dad"

Born on 1-31-31 (a palindrome) in Spring Lake Heights, NJ, Bob joined the Heavenly Choir on Monday, February 1, 2021, at home surrounded by family in Silver Springs, FL. He was preceded in death by his parents, Rev. Kenneth and Mrs. Mabel Perinchief, and brother, G. Kenneth Perinchief.

Survived by wife, Dawn Perinchief of Silver Springs, FL; daughters, Jessica Banks (Cam) of New Zealand, and Jen Pasch (Thomas) of Ocala, FL; son, Timmy Boyle of Silver Springs, FL; son, Paul; daughter, Karen; and son, Glenn; brother and sister-in-law, Dr. Burt and Mrs. Hazel Perinchief of Lake Mary, FL; sister-in-law, Joan Perinchief of Canby, OR; grandchildren Michael, Connor, and Griffin; many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and "adopted" family through church, education, travel, and charity work through the 501st Legion.

He served in the United States Air Force, 1951-1954; received a B.S. degree from The College of New Jersey (formerly Trenton State College) in 1957; M.A. degree in 1958 and Ed.D. in 1964 from Teachers College/Columbia University (NY) - all in Music Education.

Dr. Bob's teaching career spanned 5 decades as professor and teacher of music and humanities. It included teaching future educators and elementary school children in New Jersey, UW-Whitewater, St. Leo's, and Marion County Public Schools (Evergreen, East Marion, and Ft. McCoy Elementarays). He retired for the final time at age 84 in 2015.

At the same time he also was Minister/Director of Music at various United Methodist, Lutheran, and Presbyterian churches in New Jersey, Wisconsin, and Ocala including Joy Lutheran and St. Paul's United Methodist (Ocala).

Bob lived a life of service. He loved mission work and saying daily prayers while out walking.

He dedicate his life to teaching - not only music, but also through drug prevention programs (worldwide), writing children's books, and by example. He loved comparing life experiences with everyone he met. His curiosity and gregarious nature knew no bounds. Bob lived a life of advocacy. He marched on Washington with MLK, Jr.; he met great musicians of all colors and backgrounds. Bob saw no color or disability in anyone, and he taught others to look beyond to what makes us all alike.

Dr. Bob wrote thousands of poems, several books, and created entirely new ways of teaching.

He was a lifetime member of National Education Association, National Association for Music Education (formerly MENC), American Choral Directors Association (life member #4), and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia.

Bob's love of people, music, and culture led him to all of the continents, all 50 states, most of the islands, and all corners of Canada and Mexico.

He came, he saw, he lived.

Services to be held at St. Paul's UMC 800 SE 41st AVE. Ocala, FL 34471 at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 13, 2021 - Outdoor service, but masks required.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Mr Perincheif was my elementary music teacher, and tried to teach me piano for quite a few years. He was my churches choir director in my youth. My father built his house in Mahwah NJ and Mr Perincheif worked for him during the summer months. I remember Mr Perincheif fondly. He will always be Mr Perincheif* ❤️

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