



## Robert Powell

December 31, 1969 - January 6, 2013

Obituary of Robert Powell Robert Thomas Powell was born in Omaha Nebraska. His childhood years were spent in Iowa (Logan, Missouri Valley, Orange City, Sioux Center, Garner, Denison, and Clear Lake). Yes, he was a man on the move at an early age! He gained a true love of fishing from his Dad Bill and Grandfather Walter. He was an all around athlete - horseback riding (yeah he was our 'horse whisperer')....basketball (a star in high school)...baseball (he got his nickname Boog playing for the Army)...was also a bit of a theatre star including the lead in Our Town in high school. He attended NW Missouri University before joining the Army with his best friend Pat Green (a.k.a. Peter Pan). After a 3 year stint in Vietnam and Okinawa he returned to Iowa. Warm weather and army buddies enticed him to move to Treasure Island Florida in 1971. Bob became the true beach bum - sailing his hobie cat with favorite dog Kona, building yachts, and vowing never to miss a sunset. If you knew him well, you know the stories! He was a huge Tampa Bay Buccaneer fan (and a Tampa Bay Rowdies fan also). Dave Brownell, Rick Condra, and Bob were the charter members of the Wed night Moose Club in Seminole. And they faithfully cheered on the Buccaneer games. He began working at Blocker Transfer as a salesman in the moving business - staying there for over 20 years. Lifelong friendships begin here - Roy Miller - Bruce Stafford - Frank Guth. In 1989, he met the love of his life April and they married on Oct 9 1992 on a sailboat at sunset. He adopted 2 boys - Ray and Todd - and moved to Ocala in 1998. Changing careers in 2002 he became a

corrections assistant with the Marion Country Sheriff's Department. He actively pursued his true loves - golf, fishing, and traveling with his wife. After a courageous fight with cancer, he has 'gone fishing' in a better place. He will be deeply missed by his wife April, sister Mary, nieces Betsy and Stacy, sons Ray and Todd and a multitude of friends and family.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Robert Powell*

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June 20, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *I will miss you my dear friend....but the memories of all the Buc's games, moose lodge meetings and the cruises with you will keep you close. To April and the family all our love. Dave and Jean*

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**dave and Jean brownell** - January 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear April, Don and I have been out of town since New Year returning home this past Saturday, and just now hearing about your husband's death. After viewing the many pictures of Robert, you, family and friends I feel I know Robert or at least would have liked him very much. He must have been a wonderful husband and friend and always ready to be adventurous. The pictures showing his big smile, his arm always around or touching you, and so much expression in his face warms my heart. We are truly sorry for your loss but know you have wonderful memories of your life together that will make the void less hurtful. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers and we are only a few blocks from your work place so please feel free to drop in any time for a hug, bite to eat and fellowship. Love and blessings to you and your family, Don and Kathryn McCormick*

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**Don and Kathryn McCormick** - January 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My weaver of magic stories My friend My hero you will be missed and remembered always. Mary and April, Ray and Todd I hope you know what Bob meant to the whole family, words can not express. Love you all. Shawn*

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**Shawn Powell** - January 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ *Peace, prayers, and blessings---and most of all those treasured memories. Much love, Sara*

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**Sara Michaels** - January 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ *MY THOUGHT AND PRAYERS ARE WITH ALL OF YOU.*

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**Jean Keegan** - January 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ *One of my favorite memories was on our cruise to Alaska.... we were in the cabin next to April and Bob.... Every morning.. without fail... there was Bob sitting on the balcony, all bundled up, with his binoculars.... looking at the magnificent scenery.. in search of bears, eagles, moose, whales, or otters...just enjoying the view.... I will always miss his laugh, his positive outlook, his ability to tell a joke and his friendship.*

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**Debbie** - January 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ *In Deepest Sympathy.....Our thoughts and Prayers are with April, Ray, Todd and Mary*

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**Bruce and Debbie** - January 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ Dear April, My deepest sympathies to you...I love the pictures you posted of Bob enjoying life. I am keeping you and your family in my thoughts and prayers. God Bless You, Loretta

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**LORETTA CRESCENTE** - January 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

HM

“ Bob and April, good neighbors that we didn't visit enough - seems that we knew they were always just down the road - When Bob isn't fishing perhaps he'll climb on a horse. Our deepest sympathy to the family, may God ease your grief and give you comfort at this difficult time.

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**Hal and Bev Murch** - January 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ This man had such a gentle spirit and kind smile that even if he was not a part of your everyday life he left a lasting impression. Our family has fond memories of trips together and a Christmas Dinner shared with laughs, smiles and good times with friends. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. God Bless You All. The Corpe Family

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**Jerrie Corpe** - January 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ To April, Mary Anne, and your families, we were sorry to learn of your loss, yet have nothing but respect for the true grit Bob had, always. We were in Missouri when he died, but let me tell you the network of cousins got the message to us! I only regret that I didn't write Bob. I had even printed something I intended to send - a chuck for the soul - We passed it around the table here on Sunday the 30th of Dec. when our branch of Powells had Christmas together. I loved reading the obituary you've written. I'll not forget his crystal blue eyes that 'twinkled' - so full of life! Take care, each of you. With our love and concern, Sarah and Dick Hansen

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**Sarah A (Powell) Hansen** - January 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM