



Robert Scott Knapp

May 6, 1955 - September 22, 2021

Robert Scott Knapp, 66, of Frisco, TX, passed away Wednesday, September 22, 2021 in Frisco, TX. Robert was born May 6, 1955 in Burbank, CA to Harry Victor Knapp and Linda Jo Dunn.

Robert was a proud Veteran of the United States Marines Corp as an A4 fighter pilot. He served his country but did not deploy during the First Gulf War as a Captain. He worked for American Airlines as a pilot for 28 years.

Robert is survived by his daughter, Michelle Knapp-Medford and husband Cameron Medford of Wasilla, AK; son, Cody Knapp of Aubrey, TX; mother to his children and loving friend, Jan Knapp of Aubrey, TX; brother, Andy Knapp and wife Denniece of Harrah, OK; sister, Marsha Mauldin and husband Travis of Midwest City, OK; niece and nephews, Denean Knapp, Aaron Knapp, Todd Mauldin, Nick Mauldin, and Dustin Mauldin.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents, Harry and Linda Knapp.

Visitation will be 1:00PM-2:00PM, Monday, September 27, 2021 at Slay Memorial Chapel in Aubrey, TX. A funeral service will follow at 2:00PM, with Frank Ehrhorn and Pastor Chris Walden officiating. Interment will follow at Pilot Point Community Cemetery in Pilot Point, TX. Online condolences may be shared at www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of Terri Slay and Slay Memorial Funeral Center.

Cemetery Details

Pilot Point Community Cemetery

601 N. Prairie Street
Pilot Point, TX 76258

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 27. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Slay Memorial Chapel of Aubrey
400 South Highway 377
Aubrey, TX 76227
info@slaymemorial.com
<http://www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

SEP 27. 2:00 PM (CT)

Slay Memorial Chapel of Aubrey
400 South Highway 377
Aubrey, TX 76227
info@slaymemorial.com
<http://www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com>

Burial

SEP **27** (CT)

Pilot Point Community Cemetery
601 N. Prairie Street
Pilot Point, TX 76258

Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall

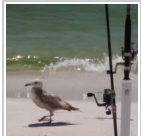


Jeffrey Koontz - September 27, 2021 at 11:58 PM



Went digging through my saved pics and yep, I thought we had taken a picture. This was sent to Steve Boone, another one of Bob's squadron mates (214?) as it turns out we both knew the same guy. I've flown with Steve several times over the years and really enjoyed his company, so it wasn't a surprise to quickly get to know Bob. Again, it was a very nice experience meeting Bob and sharing the cockpit with him as he closed out his AA career. What a fine, fine person.

Jeffrey Koontz - September 28, 2021 at 12:03 AM



“ Bob. You are a special person. You brought me great joy. I know you're at peace and in a good place. Godspeed.

Rich Wolf - September 27, 2021 at 09:27 PM

RC

“ 2 files added to the album Bob's Life



Russ Clark - September 27, 2021 at 09:03 PM

RC

I met Bob in 1988 when I moved next door to him. We quickly made friends and when both our families left for different jobs in the early 90's we kept in contact, even this year, thankfully. What a great influence Bob was to me and many others. He was always so happy. I last saw Bob in June of 2019. What a wonderful times we had together. I will always remember his one of his favorite sayings, "Shoot, fire, yeah" I'll never forget you. So sorry to lose you my friend. My deepest sympathy to Jan, Michelle, Cody, and the rest of his family he leaves behind. May his memory always warm our hearts.

Russell Clark

Russ Clark - September 27, 2021 at 11:17 PM



“*I had the pleasure and privilege of flying with Bob on his last flight, DFW-MCI on May 1, 2020. It was a 30 hour layover in MCI with Bob deadheading back for whatever reason. We met on the airplane and just had some idle chit chat about this and that, and at some point he casually mentioned that this was his last flight. I'm thinking, oh, you're changing seats? Nope, he's retiring. What? "Yeah, this is my last flight," he said with a giant grin. So I asked if he wanted both legs and that's when he told me he's only flying to MCI and DH back. So I said he's obviously flying this leg to MCI then, but he just sort of shrugged his shoulders and said something like, "well it would be nice I suppose since it's my last active leg at American." What I really took away from this exchange was that someone could've actually said, well, sorry, it's my leg to MCI and as revolting as such a gesture would be to the rest of the world, it was pretty clear after having only met him five minutes earlier that Bob would have absolutely, 100% taken it in stride and with no animosity. He exuded that...."just-a-great-guy" persona. Bob did fly the leg to MCI and it was a beautiful clear evening there when he landed on 19L. That was the bow tie on an accomplished career.*

Jeffrey Koontz - September 27, 2021 at 07:49 PM

DW

“ Bob was a sweet gentle man with a wonderfully welcoming presence who always had a smile just about to break across his face. He lived to serve his Lord and I always enjoyed my short times with him at DFW and our chances to worship together at Countryside Bible. The world is a slightly dimmer place without him but I look forward to sharing laughs in eternity. Our hearts go out to the “Knapp-sters” and sweet sweet Jan. Rest In Peace friend.

Darlene and Bob Waters - September 27, 2021 at 02:22 PM

PW

“ Peggy Wilkins lit a candle in memory of Robert Scott Knapp



Peggy Wilkins - September 27, 2021 at 02:17 PM

PW

Dear sweet Jan, I am so sorry to hear of your family's loss. May God give you all peace and comfort. Love you my sweet sister in Christ.

Peggy Wilkins - September 27, 2021 at 02:39 PM

CM

“ I had the pleasure of flying with Bob in A-4s in VMA-214 at MCAS El Toro, CA in the mid-1980s, Bob's first fleet squadron, and then after 34 years I had the pleasure to have Bob as my FO on my first flight as a new 737 Captain at AA in November of 2018.

We had great time laughing about the good old days.

Bob was a great pilot and Marine, but an even better person.

So glad I had the pleasure to not only know Bob but to have also shared some great times with him in the Corps and at AA.

Semper Fi, Bob.

Curt Mamzic

Curtis Mamzic - September 26, 2021 at 08:40 PM

MS

“ My deepest condolences to the family of Bob Knapp.

We attended the same church for several years and was in the same Life Group. Bob's love for the Lord and his family was evident in his daily life. He has impacted my life in positive ways as well as many others. May he Rest In Peace.

In His name,

Monique

Monique Smith - September 26, 2021 at 06:21 PM

DB

Can anyone tell me how Bob Knapp passed away? I was his roommate in college and would see him about once a year. I've been texting him and not getting a response so I did a search and found this. So sad

David Bixby - November 10, 2022 at 10:11 AM

JB

“ *Very sad to learn of Bob’s passing. Flew with him a lot on the short hops he and I would like to pick up. He was a good christian man with a strong faith, and we would often pray for each other’s needs. I wasn’t in the military but I know he would like the phrase “ negative ghost rider” as a response to a question that I would ask him. Knowing his answer in advance just to hear him say it. Rest In Peace ghost rider you earned it. John Brolick*

john brolick - September 26, 2021 at 03:50 PM



“ *I am deeply saddened that Bob has passed on. I only had the pleasure of flying just one trip with Bob, but shared an entire 7 week 727 Engineer new hire course with him, in 1991. I was hoping to find a photo or two to post, but we did not have cell phones at the time, let alone readily available photo taking devices. The Engineer course itself, did not seem to lend much spare time, as every day felt like a possible "wash out of the program" day, and Bob never missed an opportunity to make light of that feeling. He lightened the stress with his appropriately timed humor and infectious smile. We went to separate bases after the end of new hire training, but we did have one short trip together, about 23 years later. Throughout all, it was ever obvious that Bob's faith and family were first and foremost of importance in his life. A man of honor and selflessness. We will miss him.*

Tim Ray - September 26, 2021 at 01:06 PM

MT

“ I also have flown with Bob on several trips. I share the comments by CA Steve Ewing and Bill Keating and yes his attitude was infectious just as his smile was. If I saw Bob's name on the sequence, I knew it was going to be a good trip no matter what happened on it. As a fellow USMC aviator, we had much in common and cruising to the west coast passed quickly while talking with Bob. No doubt one of my favorite FO's and one of a kind.

Matt Turner - September 26, 2021 at 11:02 AM

SR

“ I am truly saddened to hear of Bob's passing, he was one of the great ones. I have always enjoyed flying with Bob and always looked forward to seeing him every time, he had the most animated personality of anyone I've ever met!! Always with a smile on his face, and always with a great positive attitude; it didn't matter if we were 3 hours delayed or just starting out he was always in a great frame of mind! When I'm working with someone like Bob I couldn't help but smile myself!

Steve Ewing, Captain, retired - September 26, 2021 at 09:53 AM

BK

“ I flew with Bob several times and it was always a treat. He had an infectious upbeat attitude coupled with a very professional approach to his flying. We shared Marine stories and generally had a great time. Fair winds and following seas, my friend! Bill Keating

Bill Keating - September 26, 2021 at 09:22 AM



“ *Sad to hear this news, I didn't know Bob well, but we became friends through a trip trade club at AA on the 737. I always enjoyed chatting with him and sharing stories. I checked in with him a little over a year ago and he seemed very happy, enjoying retirement. In fact, he was truly on my mind to connect again on Friday. The APA email with the news was unexpected. My prayers to his wife and family. I'm flying tomorrow, but hoping to get in early enough to pay my respects. Godspeed Bob! Rich Mueller*

Rich Mueller - September 26, 2021 at 08:01 AM

DD

“ *Bob was a very special neighbor and dear Christian brother. When we first moved to Frisco Lakes, he was so friendly and cordial. We had an instant connection, not just as neighbors and fellow believers, but as fellow American Airlines associates. I will miss him deeply. It will not be the same not seeing him on his back patio waving to us.*

Darryl Dike - September 25, 2021 at 10:58 PM

SA

“ Bob and I met 40 years ago - all I can remember about that first meeting was his smile! He was funny and kind and smart (although he always played that down). Many hours of studying and having me throw out questions to him on different scenarios inside the cockpit. Encouraging him when he was so nervous to land on that aircraft carrier for the first time! I was so proud of him when he earned his wings. He was so happy to have his Dad fly out to be there. It was a time of great celebration!! He loved to fly, except the time he called me to let me know he wouldn't be home that night because he was in Louisiana. Seems he lost all hydraulics on his plane and had to land what felt like a rock. Said he was glad he took extra clothes on that trip. Ha! The other thing that I remember like yesterday were the little boys in the neighborhood who would knock at the door to see if Bob could come out and play. Which he always did!!!

When we moved to Yuma, AZ for him to learn how to fly A-4s, it was so much fun. We went every Tuesday to the movies because it was \$1 night. No sense in paying full price for a movie ticket according to Bob. We also had \$1 night at a local restaurant one night a week where they had all you could eat chili. Once again, that made a lot more sense! One of the best moments for me was when I surprised him with a bicycle for Christmas. He was like a little kid that Christmas morning.

Over the years, we kept our friendship alive and were always there for one another for both the good times and the bad times. I knew he was a phone call away and it would always be at least a 1 hour conversation.

I remember when he showed me a picture of a girl and said, I am going to ask her to marry me, Sue. She was so pretty and her name was Jan. He started telling me all about her and I was so happy for him. Although he loved to fly, he loved his family most of all.

More than anything, Bob loved Jesus!! He wanted everyone to know what a wonderful Savior he was and that Jesus loved them too.

Bob, they say time heals hearts and I hope that is true because right now mine is broken . I love you so much and have for 40 years. I will be looking for your smile when I get to see you again on the

other side.



Susan Adams - September 25, 2021 at 07:33 PM

KK

*The trumpets are sounding and the angels are singing as they welcome another through the gates of Heaven. RIP my dear neighbor.
Kaye Khoury*

Kaye Khoury - September 26, 2021 at 07:21 PM

DB

*I was Bob's roommate in college and had stayed in touch with him.
Does anybody know how I can get in touch with Jan or his children?
How did he pass away?*

David Bixby - November 10, 2022 at 10:30 AM

FO

“ 30 files added to the album *Bob's Life*



Friends in Oklahoma - September 25, 2021 at 05:09 PM

LB

“ Such a great smile! Such wonderful memories!



Lori Broadley - September 25, 2021 at 04:50 PM

DP

“ More pics of flying with Bob. The picture with the “pillow guy” was taken in the Mall of America in Minneapolis on a layover. Bob loved to kid around and we had great times flying and out exploring on the lay overs.



David Pedersen - September 24, 2021 at 10:14 PM

DP

“ 2 files added to the album *Working with Bob at American Airlines*



David Pedersen - September 24, 2021 at 09:32 PM

DP

“ *Bob flew with me on my last AA flight in 2018. We had flown together quite often over the years but especially often during my last three years before retiring. Bob was always in a good mood and always commented about how much he loved his job at American Airlines.*



David Pedersen - September 24, 2021 at 04:13 PM