



Robert Lynn Banks

August 12, 1940 - June 29, 2021

Robert Lynn Banks (Pops), 80, of Richardson, Texas, died June 29, 2021, at Medical City Plano surrounded by family.

He was born August 12, 1940, in Jacksonville, Texas, the son of the late Robert Lewis Banks and Lynn Marie Marshall Banks. He was the oldest of 3 siblings, having two surviving sisters, Diann Banks Norton and Judy Banks Ramey. In 1962 he married Mary Martha Fletcher Banks, who preceded him in death.

He graduated from Southern Methodist University in 1967 with a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering. He went on to work for Science Associates creating some of the first displays for the New York Stock Exchange. After his time at Science Associates, he reluctantly joined a group of engineers at Mostek in 1970 designing chips for some of the earliest calculators. Mostek was eventually bought by SG Thompson where he went on to become VP of quality. Possibly the most notable achievement of his career was to lead the ST initiative to win the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award in 1999. With ST, he also championed forestry scholarships at Stephen F. Austin University. As a man devoted to working, he continued to serve at Tronics into his mid 70's, leading the group to achieve the ISO Certification allowing the company to be acquired by TDK Electronics.

He is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Shannon Elizabeth Banks Myers and James Andrew Myers, along with his grandchildren, James Robert Myers and Erin Elizabeth Myers.

Services will be held at Wallace-Thompson Funeral home in Rusk, Texas on the 10th day of July 2021, at 4pm.

Visitation will be Saturday, July 10, 2021 from 3pm until service time. Pallbearers will include James R. Myers, Ryan Cooper, Jason Ramey, Steven Norton, Keith Norton and Mark McLarnon.

A memorial gathering will be held at Restland Memorial Park in Dallas, Texas on the 9th day of July 2021(3 to 6pm).

As a beloved father, grandfather, brother, mentor, and friend, he will be forever loved.

Cemetery Details

Cedar Hill Cemetery

Cedar Hill Cemetery
Rusk, TX 75785

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 10. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home
221 5th Street
Rusk, TX 75785
(903) 683-2222

Funeral service at Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home Chapel

JUL 10. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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221 5th Street
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Tribute Wall



“ *Robert Lynn Banks*

October 04, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Sending my condolences to Bob's family. I worked in Carrollton from '92-'99 and Bob was our Quality champion. It always felt like a family working for both Joe and Bob and they both gave full support on any issues I ran against. Bob was just generally a 'good guy' and I was lucky to have worked in his organization. May he Rest In Peace..... -Susan Prater*

Susan Prater - July 16, 2021 at 07:42 PM



“ *Shannon, Joe enjoyed working with your Father at ST. My daughters and I have many fond memories of your Dad too. I had the pleasure of going on a business trip to Italy with my Joe and your Dad. One day we three went shopping and your Dad misplaced his camera. They had a dinner meeting scheduled that night, so Joe went on to the meeting and I stayed with your Dad. We retraced our steps and found his camera in one of the stores we had been to. Your dad was so relieved to get his camera back, we all know how much he loved to take pictures. We got to the restaurant where the dinner meeting was taking place and I told the gentlemen your Dad was delayed because of me. We shared a few laughs over that night, it was our little secret.*

Please accept our deepest sympathies.

Fondly, Maureen, Jennifer and Danielle Lampasona

Maureen Lampasona - July 10, 2021 at 05:17 PM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Robert Lynn Banks.*



July 09, 2021 at 10:57 AM



“ *I worked at Mostek from late 1971 until mid-1975. Bob was my manager for the last several months of my tenure. I remember him as a kind, thoughtful, and encouraging man, who led without pressuring. When I left Mostek to go into the banking business, he was understanding and supportive.*

My favorite story from Bob was the day he got a call from his wife to come home ... quick. She was quite upset ... there had been a disaster. The disaster? She was doing laundry, and had just emptied the dryer. While she turned her back to get another load for the dryer, the cats jumped in the warm dryer. She pitched in the next load and turned it on.

When Bob got home, he found a very distressing mess, and a distraught wife. After they got settled down, and had cleaned up what they could, they went shopping for a new dryer.

Later, as Bob told the story, he did inject humor as much as he could, but we all knew it was a pretty rough moment. That's just an example of the grace he carried. I will always remember him fondly.

*Pat Hawkins
Fort Worth*

Pat Hawkins - July 06, 2021 at 11:22 PM

MT

He actually ran over a dog on the way to the vet to have them dispose of the kittens and also a dog that was injured. My cousin was a great guy and our family will miss him!❤️

Margaret Townsend - July 07, 2021 at 12:05 PM

JM

History repeats its self, that wasn't the last time we had cats go through the dryer. Ask Erin...

James R. Myers - July 09, 2021 at 03:46 AM

DP

“ *dick & ornella pieranunzi purchased the White Sympathy Baskets for the family of Robert Lynn Banks.*



dick & ornella pieranunzi - July 06, 2021 at 02:41 PM

DP

“ *Bob was an outstanding ST employee. He played a key role in ST winning Malcolm Baldrige National quality award in 1999. As a ST colleague , working with Bob was always a positive experience ... and as a 'Bonus' he was one heck of a fun guy. I'm sure you'll do well Bob, in that 'other world'. Thanks for having known you. dick pieranunzi .*

dick pieranunzi - July 06, 2021 at 02:30 PM

CF

“ I remember driving up to our parking lot at STM in Carrollton one morning with my daughter who also worked there and there was Bob just getting out of his car with the radio blasting so me and Bob thought what fun to dance to this old wonderful tune playing right there in the parking lot and so we did. I loved him dearly. God Bless him and may his family find peace in their faith.

Connie and James Funnell

Connie Funnell - July 06, 2021 at 01:28 AM

HW

“ Dear Banks Family,

Bob was instrumental in building the meaningful relationship between ST Microelectronics and the SFASU-Arthur Temple College of Forestry and Agriculture. The ST Microelectronics-SFASU Forestlands Project will forever sequester carbon, conserve and protect natural resources and provide funding that supports the training of future generations of forest resources and environmental science professionals. Bob's legacy is secure and will in perpetuity be associated with the scores of undergraduate and graduate students in forestry and environmental science at SFASU that benefited from the strong, lasting relationship between SFASU-ATCOFA and STMicroelectronics. We will always be grateful for Bob's efforts on our behalf.

You and yours are in the thoughts and prayers of the SFASU-ATCOFA family.

*With heartfelt condolences,
Dr. Hans Williams, Dean
Arthur Temple College of Forestry and Agriculture
Stephen F. Austin State University*

Hans Williams - July 05, 2021 at 02:41 PM

KM

“ 6 files added to the album Memories Album



Kathy McCoy - July 04, 2021 at 06:52 PM

JM

Priceless!💙

James R. Myers - July 09, 2021 at 03:48 AM

BH

“ Bob & Sue Henderson lit a candle in memory of Robert Lynn Banks



Bob & Sue Henderson - July 03, 2021 at 01:25 PM