



Robert V. Donahoe

February 13, 1939 - April 29, 2022

ROBERT V. DONAHOE

Age 83, of Hunter, NY area, born in Pittsburgh to Patrick and Rose (Olex) Donahoe, died April 29, 2022, in New York, after a brief illness. Survived by sister Dolores Tommarello (Charles Sr. deceased) and nephews Joseph and Charles Jr. (Michele) Predeceased by sister Mary Margaret Donahoe, brothers John, James (Dee) Charles (Marlene) and Richard Donahoe, and niece Amy Tommarello. Survived by sister-in-law Joan Donahoe, many nieces and nephews, and his good friend Steve Klein.

A graduate of St. Canice High School in 1957, he joined the Navy, served as a Radioman on the USS Albany Cruiser and USS Wasp Aircraft Carrier.

Honorably discharged in 1962, he went on to graduate from the University of Florida at Gainesville on the GI bill. Bob moved to New York in 1970. He was an Actor, starting at Little Lake Theater here and later in the Forestburgh Playhouse in NY and in over 170 plays and films over his lifetime, including televised soap operas. An accomplished Classical Guitarist, he enjoyed playing Latin American and Spanish guitar pieces the most, from his youth until he passed. He taught and played throughout the Catskills at coffee houses and recitals. Bob loved virtuoso guitarist Andres Segovia, baseball, Charlie Chan movies and world history.

He will be missed by many friends and in his community in New York, including those at Vail/Hunter Mountain Ski Lodge where he worked until retiring in 2010. Pursue your dreams - Bob did and he enriched the lives of so

many throughout the years with his acting and musical talent.

Memorials may be made to Brothers Brother Foundation 1200 Galveston Avenue, Pittsburgh PA 15233. Arrangements are private at Bob's request.

Tribute Wall

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“ Bob was my inspiration to take up the guitar. We met as cast members of "The Fantasticks" at Santa Fe Community College around 1970. Before hearing Bob up close, the guitar never captivated me. He was generous as a friend and my first mentor. I went on to major in classical guitar for my Masters and Doctoral degrees. Bob reached out when I became the reviewer and editor for guitar recordings at Soundboard magazine. My warmest thoughts go out to his family and friends.

Al Kunze
Miami FL

Albert Kunze - August 23, 2022 at 10:01 PM

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“ I was so saddened to hear of my Uncle Bob's passing. I always enjoyed chatting with him on the phone and always enjoyed when he came to town for a visit as we would always sit around to hear him play his guitar. In the recent years we would talk on the phone and he always had great stories and give me his little tidbits of life lessons. He would ask me about my daughters and was so pleased to hear that they played string instruments. When I asked him if he had any recordings of him playing guitar, he asked an old friend to help him make a recording for me. I was so honored that he took the time to do that for me. I will always cherish that recording as I will cherish our chats. God Bless Uncle Bubi, I love you and you will be truly missed. Love Julie Donahoe Gibas

Julie Gibas - May 10, 2022 at 09:13 PM

JG

“ I will miss talking to my Uncle Bob. We would talk about music and he told me that he was proud to hear that my daughters played strings. He always had interesting stories for me and always asked about my girls. He was my Dad's baby brother and my Dad was amazed at how Uncle Bob played guitar! A few years back Uncle Bob sent me a recording of him playing the guitar, I will cherish it always as I will cherish the times that we had a chat. God Bless Uncle Bubi, you will be truly missed.

Julie Donahoe Gibas - May 10, 2022 at 08:43 PM

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“ The Pittsburgh Family of Bob would like to thank all the people in the Hudson NY and Hunter/Tannersville NY area who were so good to Bob through the years. Many were touched by his kindness, sense of humor, acting ability and incredible musical talent with the Classical Guitar.

Special thanks to friend Steve Klein, Molly at Catskill Housing, Kathy at the Bank, Eric at the car dealership and the Tannersville Postmaster for your sympathy to us and your help to Bob through the years -as well as the caring nurses, doctors and staff at Columbia Memorial.

Full Obituary will appear Sunday 5/8/2022 in the Pittsburgh Post Gazette. As per Bob's wishes, arrangements were private and local help in Pittsburgh was handled by the Frank F. DeBor Funeral Home for his nephew Joe and remaining sister Dolores in Pittsburgh.

Joe Tommarello - May 05, 2022 at 03:20 PM