



Robert Irwin Wolff

March 4, 1936 - April 14, 2025

Robert Irwin Wolff, 89, of Boynton Beach, Florida, passed away peacefully at Delray Medical

Center, the evening of April 14, 2025.

Born in Brooklyn, New York, to Milton and Sylvia Wolff, on March 4, 1936, Bobby grew up in

Brookline, Massachusetts. After graduating Brookline High School, Bobby enlisted in the

United States Army where he served as a proud member of the 25th Infantry Division in Hawaii.

After returning state-side, Bobby met and married the love of his life, Norma Eileen Polikoff.

The newly-married couple soon moved to Florida where Bobby pursued a career in

merchandising and sales. They began a family and developed a wonderful network of friends in

the Miami area. Bobby eventually retired and moved to Boynton Beach where the list of friends

grew even greater. Married 67 years, Bobby and Norma shared a full, fun, and fulfilling life

together with family and many, many friends.

Bobby is survived by his wife, Norma Eileen Wolff; his children David Eric Wolff and Meredith

Joy (James) Mann; his beloved grandchildren Kimberly Strauf, Marsha Beth Wolff, Madilyn

Sarah Greene, Leah Elizabeth Mann, and Aubrey Sophia Mann; and his sister Lynn (Michael)

Caroline and his sisters-in-law Sandra McNeil and Avis (Bob) Garnet and their families.

Known for his quick wit and great sense of humor, Bobby was a well-loved husband, father,

grandfather, and friend. To his wife, he was a loving and devoted husband, and he was ever so

proud to have Norma by his side. To his children, he was an engaged father who took the time

to make meaningful memories. To his grandchildren, he was the best grandpa on the planet,

always willing to lend an ear, have an adventure, read a book, watch a movie, or share his love

of music, movies, and current events. He always took time to appreciate their interests and

make real connections. Even at 89, he would text and forward them pertinent articles and

media to stay connected. To his friends, including the old "Fun Club" of Kendall, Bobby was

the life of the party -- always ready with a joke or available for a deep conversation about

religion, the cosmos, or the state of the world.

An avid sports fan, Bobby loved the Miami Dolphins, the University of Miami Hurricanes, and

any college sports team to which he had a connection. He was always up to date on the latest

news and rankings and, not surprisingly, used that as a way to stay connected to more friends

and family. He was a man who sought connection -- using whatever topic of conversation was at hand, from sports, to politics, to religion, to find a reason to speak with people and learn a little bit about their story. Oftentimes, amazingly, even random conversations with strangers resulted in learning about strange coincidences of connectedness. It was never easy leaving a restaurant, but it was sure fun learning the details he discovered. Kind, thoughtful, approachable, and sincere, Bobby was a blessing to all who knew him. His presence on this earth will be sorely missed. He was a man well-loved and his memory will be cherished by all who knew him.

A Memorial Service will take place at 11:30am, Tuesday, April 22, 2025, at Sinai Memorial Chapel, 15120 Jog Road, Delray Beach, Florida. Bobby will be interred at the National Cemetery of South Florida immediately after the service. Family and friends will sit Shiva at Norma and Bobby's home Tuesday, April 22, and Wednesday, April 23, 2025.

Previous Events

Chapel Service

APR **22**. 11:30 AM (ET)

Sinai Memorial Chapels
15120 Jog Rd.
Delray Beach, FL 33446
(561) 865-1747

ZOOM LINK: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/9339091346?pwd=SQYp2g0lJ4b5Trguxb3lbiNVzn5ibn.1&omn=81454380911> PASSCODE: Wolff

Internment

APR **22**. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

South Florida National Cemetery
6501 FL-7
Lake Worth, FL 33449-5309
(561) 649-6489

LANE #3

Tribute Wall

LM

“ Anyone who met him could tell you my grandfather was a man who knew how to have fun. He was quick witted, lively, and above all else- hilarious. I think it was a personal mission in his life to ensure he never left the dinner table without making everyone there (including the server) laugh at-least once.

It wasn't until I got older that I realized he was just as capable of giving advice and listening as he was winding you up. He and I shared many great conversations about life and religion in the past few years. I will always cherish the memories of those discussions and the comfort they brought me.

Like many others have mentioned, nobody had a finger on the pulse of pop culture like Grandpa Bobby. Last year, during his unexpected and decidedly unplanned vacation to Indiana, the two of us began a silly goal of watching every Humphrey Bogart movie during his stay. Every five minutes he would pause the movie and give me a play by play run down of the drama that had engulfed different actors lives. He had so many details to share, you would think he had been there himself. His favorite, in case anyone was wondering, was Sabrina. I have to agree with him.



Leah Mann - April 21, 2025 at 08:04 PM

LM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Leah Mann - April 21, 2025 at 07:43 PM

LM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Leah Mann - April 21, 2025 at 07:42 PM

LM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Leah Mann - April 21, 2025 at 07:41 PM

LM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Leah Mann - April 21, 2025 at 07:41 PM

LM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Leah Mann - April 21, 2025 at 07:41 PM

LM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Leah Mann - April 21, 2025 at 07:40 PM

LM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Leah Mann - April 21, 2025 at 07:40 PM

LM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Leah Mann - April 21, 2025 at 07:39 PM

LM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Leah Mann - April 21, 2025 at 07:39 PM

JH

“ I didn't know Bobby very long, but he was always so open and kind. He always had a story to tell and man were they some of the most interesting stories I've heard. I don't think there was ever a dull moment with him. His experiences also made him a wonderful listener. Whenever he was around, he always had time to listen and offer advice. Truly a wonderful soul.

Jordan Humphreys - April 20, 2025 at 11:02 AM

SM

“ My loving brotherinlaw Bobby was a wonderful part of my life. Here he is with Terry at the Miami grand prix years ago. He will be missed.



Sandra McNeil - April 20, 2025 at 10:17 AM

MM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



meredith mann - April 19, 2025 at 07:25 PM

MG

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Madilyn Greene - April 19, 2025 at 01:36 PM

MG

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Madilyn Greene - April 19, 2025 at 01:35 PM

DG

“ *I had the pleasure of getting to know Bobby over the last six years. From the first time I met him, Bobby truly treated me like family and welcomed me into his life with open arms. Bobby always had a genuine interest in the topic of conversation and the people around him, never failed to have a joke ready at his disposal, and (even if his jokes were at times received with eyerolls) truly brightened up any room that he was in. Being around Bobby, it was clear that he valued time spent with family and friends meant more than anything, and I'll always be grateful for the endearing, positive memories that he left with Madilyn and I.*

Drew Greene - April 19, 2025 at 11:13 AM

MG

“ My grandpa was a great man who was quick witted, thoughtful, and incredibly passionate about the things and people he cared about. He loved his wife, his kids, and his grandkids with gusto and adored his sports teams with almost equal fervor. No matter the occasion, he was ready with a joke or with hard-hitting advice. I consider myself blessed to have had almost 30 years of memories with him to appreciate and reminisce on. I will always cherish the fact that he was able to be at my wedding despite all of the obstacles thrown in his way. At our rehearsal dinner, he decided (in true Grandpa fashion) to give an impromptu speech regaling us all with his humor and alluding to inviting my husbands doppelgänger to the wedding (spoiler alert, although I wouldn't have put it past him, Leonardo DiCaprio did not in fact make a surprise appearance). Growing up, I always knew I could count on Grandpa to give the best hugs, tell the best stories, and provide the best music recommendations. I have the fondest memory of my Grandma and him slow dancing in their living room while he serenaded his audience to an old classic song. There was no one quite like my grandpa and no words to express how much he will be missed. Grandpa, I will love you always ❤️



Madilyn Greene - April 19, 2025 at 09:53 AM

AM

“ Grandpa had great taste in creamer containers!



Aubrey Mann - April 18, 2025 at 07:08 PM

AM

“ I don't have a lot of pictures of my grandpa. He was always better at keeping us in the moment with his endless jokes and stories. These pictures are special though. When Grandpa Bobby and I went to this restaurant, he loved the container they had for creamer and asked the waiter if he could take one home. Grandpa was the best with people, so of course they said yes, and we all laughed about it. Right when we got to the car to go home, he turned to me and said he didn't know why he even wanted it, but that I could have it. I still have it, and I'm using it as a flower pot this week, which I'm sure he would have loved. I miss him dearly already, and I am so blessed he was in our lives. Truly the best grandpa ever💚



Aubrey Mann - April 18, 2025 at 06:43 PM

MW

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Marsha Wolff - April 18, 2025 at 05:07 PM

MW

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Marsha Wolff - April 18, 2025 at 05:06 PM

MW

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Marsha Wolff - April 18, 2025 at 05:06 PM

MW

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Marsha Wolff - April 18, 2025 at 05:05 PM

MW

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Marsha Wolff - April 18, 2025 at 05:04 PM

MW

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Marsha Wolff - April 18, 2025 at 05:03 PM

MW

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Marsha Wolff - April 18, 2025 at 05:03 PM

MW

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Marsha Wolff - April 18, 2025 at 05:03 PM

MM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



meredith mann - April 18, 2025 at 04:56 PM

MM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



meredith mann - April 18, 2025 at 04:42 PM

MW

“ Grandpa was easily and still is to this day, the funniest man I've ever known. He was so warm, caring and open. Grandpa was approachable, I could talk to him about anything. " Never judge a book by it's cover" or " don't paint the world with a broad brush" were his favorite quotes to say to me when we were locked in a debate and I was being short sighted, which often I was. He taught me to be open, curious about the world and the people in it. He shared his love of film, blues, and jazz with me. I remember one time we were planning to see a movie at the AMC theater and after doing some painstaking research, I sold Grandpa on the idea of a sneaking into another movie to have a little double feature. He was in! That afternoon we embarked on a cinema camper for the ages. Grandpa was such a lover, he loved all of us deeply and I think we're better for it. When I heard of Grandpa's passing, naturally, I was crushed. The mind does cool things in times of crisis, though, doesn't it? My mind flooded itself with endless memories, a desperate attempt to keep him here, to hold him in my present. I am so grateful to have so many, so lucky to have spent so much of my life in his company. Every once and awhile I'll say or doing something in an extremely similar way Grandpa might have, like a reflex, like an instinct or seed that he planted years ago. So much of me is him. Just by proximity alone, he created a legacy that gets to live on through all of us, what a precious gift that is. At the risk of being cliché, Grandpa will always be part of us. What an honor it has been to your granddaughter.
I'll love you forever,
Marsha

Marsha Wolff - April 17, 2025 at 12:55 PM

CM

“ Bobby was my father-in-law but much more than that to me. He was a person that I could call and ask advice or just talk with about life. He was wiser than he ever gave himself credit for and even though he had strong opinions he always respected mine. He was someone that would come to you, listen and participate in an equal exchange of conversation. My only gay bar experience was with him. It was a unique experience for both of us!! Drank my only Irish yard of beer with him. For his size, embarrassingly, he held his liquor better than me. I remember several times us going to sporting events where he just enjoyed the moment. I would think to myself that this is how you should live, enjoying the moment. He was the best recommender of movies and shows. We always started with him. I loved how he engaged with my wife and three girls always. All the way to the end. I will remember him, miss him, and will always respect him. Chip

Chip Mann - April 17, 2025 at 11:05 AM

MM

“ So many memories...sneaking out of my bedroom almost every night to cuddle and watch late night tv, the Dolphins' undefeated Super Bowl season, “ask me a question,” playing catch in the backyard, playing games in the pool, Burger King before soccer games, talking, listening, IU v Michigan football game, being a “cool” dad, more talking, more listening, tubing on the lake, taking the time to get to know his grandchildren, the perfect rehearsal dinner speech at Madi's wedding...being at Madi's wedding...my dad was a great guy. Well-liked, funny, caring, and sincere...he will be remembered fondly and missed daily....xoxoxo Meri

meredith mann - April 17, 2025 at 09:02 AM