



# Clifton Robinson

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## **Clifton Robinson**

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**C**lifton Robinson, age 71 of Olathe, Kansas died Tuesday, May 6, 2014 at the Saint Luke's Hospice House, Kansas City, Missouri.

Clifton Henry Robinson was born to Victor and Imogene (Templeton) Robinson on October 21, 1942, in Maryville, Missouri. Vic was in the Coast Guard in California during WWII, so Imogene and Clifton joined Vic in California. After the war, they returned to Bedford, Iowa. Vic and Imogene ran the Lake of Three Fires, which Cliff swam across when he was six. The family lived on the Templeton farm, and Clifton attended country school. When Cliff was in the fourth grade, they moved to Sabula, Iowa. Cliff helped his dad with his commercial fishing and trapping business.

Imogene owned a restaurant on the Mississippi River where Clifton probably developed his love of sweets by helping himself to the ""goodies"" in the restaurant. Cliff returned to Bedford in the 8th grade. He enjoyed being in the Bedford Saddle Club with his mother, sister Jeanne, and grandparents Cliff and Eva Templeton. Cliff graduated from Bedford High School with the class of 1960 and married Dixie Baker of the Bedford High School class of 1962. They celebrated their 50th anniversary last summer. Cliff served in the Marine Corps and was stationed at the El Toro Marine base in California. Cliff and Dixie remained in California after his service in the Marines. He attended Iowa State but graduated from California State University in Fullerton, California with a BS in Accounting.

After graduation, he worked for Arthur Young and Company in Santa Ana for nine years. He then accepted a position as CFO of the Alison Company Real Estate Investment Company in Newport Beach. He worked for them for nineteen years and finished his career with Sunray Lighting in Irvine, California as their CFO. Cliff and Dixie moved to Olathe KS in 2004. Cliff liked to travel and was proud of the fact that he and Dixie had visited all 50 states and had taken a couple of cruises. He loved Hawaii and Jackson Hole, Wyoming.



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They have two sons - Patrick and Scott. Patrick and his wife Gloria have three children - Adam, Samantha, and Brodie. Scott and his wife Cathy have two sons - Troy and Chad. Samantha and Hayden named their son William Henry after his great grandpa Cliff. He was looking forward to Adam and his wife Miranda giving him a great granddaughter next month. Cliff was preceded in death by his parents and grandparents. He is survived by his wife, their sons and families, his sister Jeanne and her husband Kevin Hogan all of Olathe, Kansas, as well as many wonderful friends. He was well loved and will be forever missed!

Funeral services will be held at 1 PM, Saturday, May 10, 2014 at Lange Funeral Home in Centerville with Reverend Francis Warren officiating. A visitation will be held from 12:30-1:00 PM on Saturday at the funeral home. Interment with military rites will follow in the Unionville Cemetery, Unionville, Iowa. In lieu of flowers, memorials have been established to the American Cancer Society or to the Wounded Warrior Project and may be given to Lange Funeral Home, 1900 S. 18th St., Centerville, Iowa 52544. Condolences may be shared online at [www.langefh.com](http://www.langefh.com).

### Visitation

May 10, 2014 12:30 PM to 1:00 PM

Lange Funeral Home 1900 S. 18th St. Centerville, IA (641) 856-2000

### Funeral Service

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## Tribute Wall

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**Thomas Funeral Home** posted:

October 21 at 2:33 PM



**Thomas Funeral Home** shared an album called **Obituary Wall**.



October 13 at 2:38 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Sorry to hear about Cliff. Hadn't seen him for years. Knew him and his folks when they ran the concessions at the Lake of Three Fires in Bedford; took swimming lessons from his Dad; knew his mothers parents, Cliff and Eva Templeton also. Don Parsons Posted by Don Parsons - Norwalk - family friend May 20, 2014

January 4 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Cliff and I had some great days riding horses and exploring areas south of Bedford. He was one good football player. I always enjoyed my times with Cliff and his grandparents. Shep Posted by Harold Shepherd - Vinton, IA - friendclassmate May 09, 2014

January 4 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

A lot of good memories from knowing Cliff in high school and our time at Iowa State. He will be missed by his classmates, friends and family. Posted by John Hunter - Merriam, KS - High School class mate May 09, 2014

January 4 at 7:00 PM



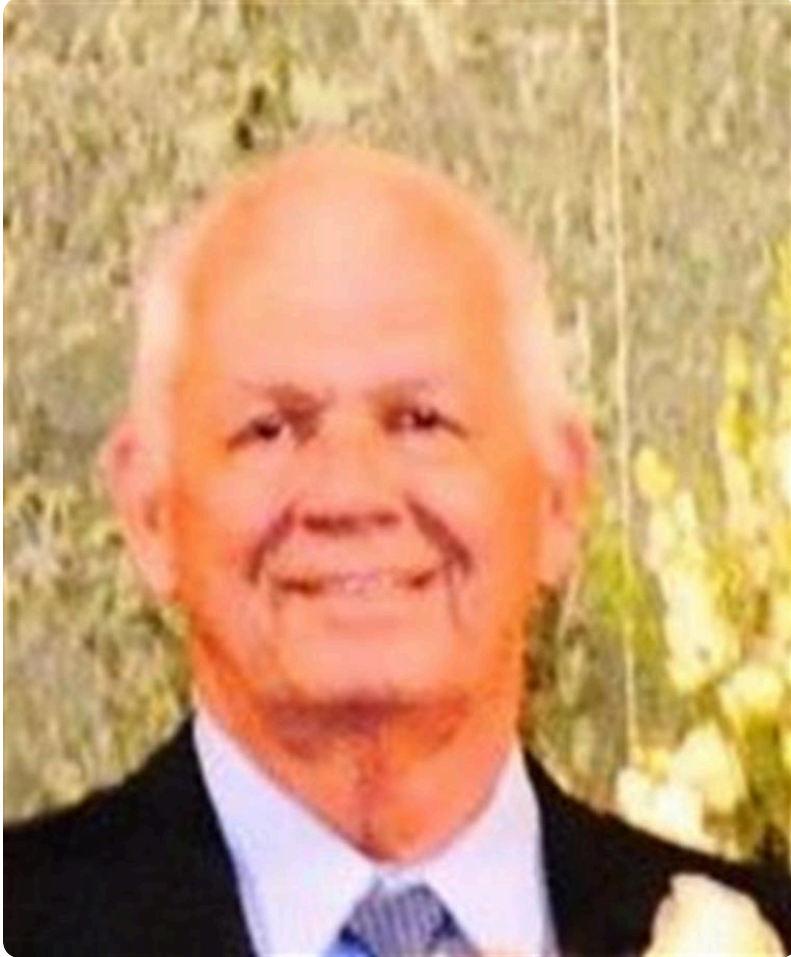
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