



Robert Allen Sikes

November 29, 1946 - November 24, 2018

Robert Allen Sikes, 71, of El Campo, passed away November 24, 2018. He was born on November 29, 1946 in Lake Charles, LA to the late Robert and Edna Allen Sikes.

He is survived by his wife, Kay Poe Sikes of El Campo; daughter, Jennifer Montier of Sealy; son, Johnson Sikes and wife Kristin of Fairfield, CT; grandchildren, Brock Montier, Madison Montier, Charlotte Sikes and John Sikes; sister, Sharon Sikes of Chicago and loyal companion, "Darby".

Services will be held at a later date.

Memorial donations may be made to Northside Elementary Library.

Triska Funeral Home, El Campo, 979-543-3681

Tribute Wall

MS

“ *Bob was my parent's neighbor for many many years and I had no idea that he had passed away.*

My condolences to his family.



Martin Strarup - April 23, 2019 at 12:15 PM

DM

“ *The wisdom and craftsmanship of his words, the infectiousness of his humor, the dryness of his wit... a few of the things I will always remember about 'bob', as he often self-deprecatingly signed off emails.*

That, and when he'd give me a call every once in a while, the almost -disturbing amount of time he'd spend talking to my wife loooong before I was called to the phone; 'Texas Charm' I guess you'd call that ;-).

Many men struggle to 'leave their mark' on the world, so that someone remembers them after they're gone; don't think bob much cared about that, which makes it all the more ironic considering the size of the footprints he left behind on all that knew him.

Rest well bob.

*DJ MacIntyre
Canada*

DJ MacIntyre - January 31, 2019 at 09:17 AM

WW

“ I met Bob through our internet hunting group and ALWAYS enjoyed his posts. There wasn't much about hunting that Bob didn't know. On one of our phone call conversations Bob expressed an interest in trying bowhunting. He knew I am a bowhunter and was picking my brain. When he asked what bow he should get I told him I had an extra bow gathering dust and I would ship it to him. Bob was self taught with that bow and killed a buck laying in his back shooting under some brush. I was amazed that he could do that but he was a hunter's hunter. No doubt in my mind Bob could have killed deer with nothing but a sharp stick or a rick.

RIP Goatskin till we meet again..

*Woody Williams
Newburgh , IN*

Woody Williams - January 29, 2019 at 08:56 PM

BR

“ Like many here, I knew Bob only through his words and his unpredictable calls - often late at night. We often differed in our perceptions of life, conservation, wildlife management and certainly in our choices in hunting rifles. Over the years, though, many of his ideas still resonate in the back of my mind and I know he has changed me.

*What sadness I feel at his passing. For several years I had tried to contact him, but for whatever reason he wasn't to be found. Many times I thought of calling him - of only I knew how? From the responses of other members of the group we call Artemis, you can see that Bob elicited respect from many. And this is a group that gives homage to very few. Bob, you are missed by many. Cheers and may we share a hunt someday in the happy hunting ground.
Cheers, Bill Ruediger, Missoula, Montana.*

Bill Ruediger - January 29, 2019 at 04:52 PM

ND

“ Bob will be missed far and wide and certainly by me in New Zealand. So sad that he has gone at a youngish age. We swapped many stories, opinions and experiences over many years. Stories of hunting, culture, politics - an endless range of subjects. His style and manner were unique. Nothing was a problem for Bob - to the extent that we were able to seamlessly ship guns to each other according to our respective collection dictates. Vale Bob you surely will be missed.

NGD

New Zealand

Neville Dodd - January 28, 2019 at 01:53 AM

BR

“ Thank you, Bob, for all of your stories. May you and all of the frogs now rest in peace.

B Radley - January 26, 2019 at 11:55 PM

LH

Bob, we never were able to get you up here gunning sea ducks, brant, Canada geese and any other coastal waterfowl that flies free, and that will allus pain me some. Your asking when making preliminary plans about your visit regarding if I thought we'd be OK with your toting a 120 year young English Manton 8 bore for our hunt would be unwise as far as if the fish cops up here were plentiful will forever make my lips turn up on the ends. I honor your wit, wisdom, words and friendship, even if they were not of flesh or of time spent together. Rest easy, sir. You were one of a kind and your internal timbers were built like they were honed from some fancy stone. I shan't ever forget you. L. Honda, Boston, MA

Leighton N. Honda - December 02, 2019 at 01:08 AM

EP

“ Here from Artemis the goddess and more prosaically, the internet group where Bob used hunting as a pediment for richly detailed stories and reflection in a style that combined texanismo with a grandeur that stretched (pardon me this phrase, but it's accurate) from scatology to soteriology. He was raucously funny, erudite (how many hunting writers indicate a familiarity with *De bello judaico* or *De civitate dei* in the original?), poignant, and as sharp a societal observer as any novelist of manners. I never could tell whether I was reading someone who had lived an almost atavistic wild adventure-life, or had a deeply fabulous invention. If it was true, what a life; if invented, he was as detailed and coherent in world-invention as a Faulkner. He would call occasionally to go trenchant on politics; I never enjoyed political discussion more or encountered greater insight. A full heart bids farewell to Goatskin.

Earl Perry - January 25, 2019 at 03:03 PM

TC

“ I "knew" Bob via an Internet-based discussion group on the outdoors and hunting, to which he was a frequent and welcome contributor. Bob was a marvelous writer, and his stories were not only entertaining, they were erudite, flawlessly literate, and often hilarious. We in the group have missed his contributions greatly and we're all saddened to learn of his death. May he now be in a land where the hunting is wonderful, the spaces are wide, and the sky always clear. Ave atque vale!

Thomas Caceci - January 25, 2019 at 01:03 PM

LF

“ I knew Bob, or at least his words, story, views, and something of his values. But mostly I knew Bob as a writer, who lived life large and shared the tales in beautiful gritty detail with a group of similarly inclined outdoorsmen. We never met but we corresponded and communicated. I wish he had been a better published writer so as to get some of his language and world view put down for posterity. The world he walked through in South Texas is a rapidly changing place. The history and sense of place is being lost or revised beyond recognition because some of it doesn't conform to very modern and utopian ideals. Bob didn't mince; he just said what was there for any decent observe to see. Naked emperors were always called out. We will miss that voice and those who had access to it should learn from it and carry it on. I think he was a great man, though I don't really know. I know he was a great teller of tales, a keen observer, and a person of conviction though. Several of us stumbled upon this obituary belatedly but wanted to recognize a friend.
Lee Foote 23 January 2019

Lee Foote - January 25, 2019 at 12:40 PM

LK

“ Linda Kram lit a candle in memory of Robert Allen Sikes



Linda Kram - January 01, 2019 at 10:10 PM

LK

Sorry for the family's loss. Prayers sent to family & friends.

Linda Kram - January 01, 2019 at 10:12 PM

AT

“ Alex T lit a candle in memory of Robert Allen Sikes



Alex T - December 15, 2018 at 01:22 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear this. Please know that you & your family are in Mom's & my prayers.

Colleen Zupec - November 28, 2018 at 03:45 PM

KT

“ Kenneth A Trochta lit a candle in memory of Robert Allen Sikes



Kenneth A Trochta - November 28, 2018 at 08:19 AM

EC

“ Prayers and Sympathy on the loss of your husband. Kay you were one of my childrens favorite teachers. Kevin, Steven and Jennifer Mach. Thank you for your kindness in their learning years. Elaine Mach Co



Elaine Cook - November 27, 2018 at 11:54 PM

SL

“ Aunt Kay, mom and dad gave me the news yesterday about Uncle Bob. I am so sorry! He was one of my all time favorite uncles. I loved his laugh, smile and sense of humor. He made the world a happier place for the people that were fortunate enough to have known him. My prayers are with you all. Johnson and Jennifer, I hope you know I loved your dad and that he held a special place in my heart.

Susie Link - November 27, 2018 at 11:20 PM

TM

“ Kay I am so sorry for your loss! Praying for you all during this most difficult time! Hugs, Tana

Tana Martin - November 27, 2018 at 10:44 PM

DB

“ David And Debbie Bubela lit a candle in memory of Robert Allen Sikes



David and Debbie Bubela - November 27, 2018 at 10:30 AM

GD

“ Kay I just read about the loss of your Robert. I send love and condolences to you, Jennifer and your son and their families. May God comfort you.

Gloria Dowden

Gloria Dowden - November 27, 2018 at 08:33 AM

BK

“ *Brian Kutach lit a candle in memory of Robert Allen Sikes*



Brian Kutach - November 26, 2018 at 07:41 PM