

ROBERT EMERSON ALLISON



Robert Emerson "Bob " Allison, Sr., 67, of Cleveland, died Friday, June 9, 2006, at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center in Winston-Salem from injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

Mr. Allison was born Jan. 9, 1939, in Cedar Bluff, Va., he was the son of the late Harman and Gladys Meadows Allison. He graduated from Richlands High School, Richlands, Va. and the US Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md.

Mr. Allison was a helicopter pilot for 5 years in the US Navy and served during the Cuban Missile Crisis. He was an engineer for Hoechst Celanese for 28 years before retiring in 1994. Mr.

Allison served as Mayor of Cleveland for 2 terms and a Commissioner of Cleveland for 2 terms.

Mr. Allison was a member of Cleveland United Methodist Church where he served as organist, was Chairman of the Administrative Board, and volunteered for church mission work in Puerto Rico and the Dominican Republic, and flood relief in Kentucky and the North Carolina mountains.

He served as Scout Master for Troop 309 for 13 years, was a member of the Kennedy Hall American Legion Post 106 and worked part time for H & R Block and volunteered as a tax preparer for AARP at the Ruffy Holmes Senior Center.

Survivors include his wife Evelyn Myer Allison whom he married in 1960; his children Cyndi Allison Wittum and Jimmy of Cleveland, Robert E. Allison, Jr. of Cary, Matthew H. Allison of Dayton, Ohio and Katrena Allison Wells and her husband Tim of Mocksville; grandsons Caleb and Eli Wittum; granddaughters Hannah and Abigail Wells; sister Lou Ellen Campbell of Turners Falls, Mass.; a sister-in-law Audrey Allison of Key West, Fla.; and his fishing buddy Stacy Walser. He was preceded in death by his brother Homer Allison.

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