

William Charles Cobb

William Charles Cobb, age 78, passed into the arms of his heavenly Father on September 15, 2021. He was a devout Christian, a loving husband, devoted father, grandfather & friend.

Born in St. Louis, Missouri on April 5, 1943, Bill grew up in Dayton, Ohio, moved to Austin, Texas in high school & graduated from the University of Texas with a B.S. in Aero-Space Engineering in 1966. He was President of Phi Kappa Psi, Commander of the Air Force Core of Cadets & President of the Texas Cowboys Alumni Association..

In 1966, Bill married his college sweetheart Nancy Hale Cobb & moved to Dayton, Ohio to serve his country in the US Air Force during the Vietnam War, meanwhile earning his MBA from Ohio State University.

After several years in Houston at Touche Ross & then as COO at Bracewell Patterson, Bill opened his own firm, Cobb Consulting. An active participant in the ABA, he published *A Planning Workbook for Law Firm Management*, the first of its kind for law firms. He was a featured speaker for the ABA, The State Bar of Texas, the International Bar Association, the American Lawyer Magazine & many others. He served as President of the River Oaks Breakfast Club, on committees at the Houston Club & on the board of The Executive Association of Houston.

Joining St. Luke's United Methodist Church in 1970, Bill was on the Board of Stewards, the Finance Committee & head of the Stewardship Committee. He loved studying God's Word & has been a faithful & inspiring leader of the Covenant class for 25+ years & member of a Wednesday morning Bible Study, also volunteering with PEP Prison Ministry & CCSC.

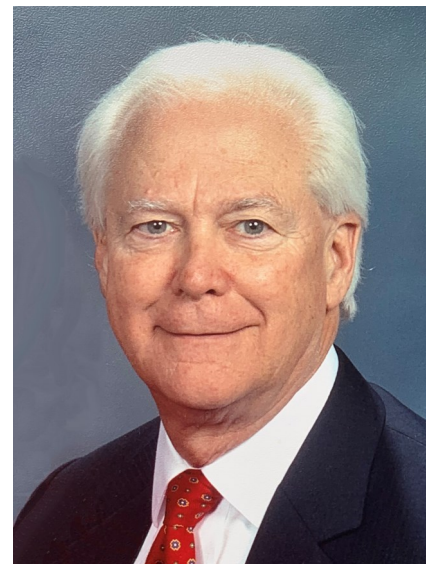
Bill's greatest love & priority was his family. He adored his wife, 3 wonderful daughters & their husbands & was blessed to be "Papeaux" to 9 grandchildren & loving brother to 3 sisters. Bill had a zest for life, entrepreneurial spirit, great sense of humor & outgoing, warm personality. He was positive, steady, others-focused, easy-going & always fun to be around. A man of many talents, Bill had his pilot's license, completed 3 Marathons in Hawaii & could do a "helicopter" on the ski slope. He also loved golf, the Longhorns, all things Cajun, traveling & being with dear friends.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, James Ransom & Eileen Provost Cobb & his brother-in-law & mentor, Tom Schornak. He is survived by Nancy, his treasured wife of 55 years; daughters Marlo Cobb Saucedo & husband Alex, Haley Cobb Thomas & husband Rob, Caroline Cobb Smith & husband Nick; his 9 precious grandchildren Abran & James Saucedo, Cobb, Charly, Ridge & Tribb Thomas, Ellie, Harrison & Libby Smith; his 3 sisters Gail Schornak, Millie Thomasson, Sue & Mike McWhirter & beloved nieces & nephews.

A Service of Worship Celebrating the Life of

William Charles Cobb

1943 - 2021



September 20, 2021

1:00 p.m.

Sanctuary
St. Luke's United Methodist Church
Houston, Texas

Order of Worship

Organ Prelude Rob Landes

*Entrance of the Family

*Word of Grace Dr. Tom Pace

*Hymn of Praise
#77 How Great Thou Art HOW GREAT THOU ART

Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

Witnesses to Bill's Life
Marlo Saucedo, Caroline Smith, Haley Thomas

Solo Fullness of Joy (Psalm 16)
Caroline Cobb Smith

Readings from Holy Scripture Cobb grandchildren
Psalm 121
Psalm 139, selected
Romans 8, selected
Isaiah 41:10
Isaiah 43:1-3

*Hymn of Praise
#377 It Is Well with My Soul VILLE DU HAVRE

Homily Dr. Tom Pace

Reading from the Gospel
John 14, selected

*Serenity Prayer (in unison—*see insert*)

*Choral Benediction *On Eagle's Wings* ON EAGLE'S WINGS
Randy Murrow, baritone

And He will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you
on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of His hand.

*Commendation
God of us all, your love never ends.
When all else fails, you still are God.
Keep true in us
the love with which we hold one another.
In all our ways we trust you.
O God, all that you have given us is yours.
As first you gave Bill to us,
so now we give him back to you.
Receive Bill into the arms of your mercy.
Raise him up with all of your people.
Receive us also, and raise us into a new life.
And to you,
with your church on earth and in heaven,
we offer honor and glory now and forever. Amen.

*Benediction

*Recessional

**Indicates congregation standing, if able*

*The congregation is invited to greet the family in the
Fellowship Hall following the service.*

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to
Prison Entrepreneurship Program (PEP.org),
CCSC (ccschouston.org) or a charity of your choice.