



Robert "Bob" Lee Kapushion

June 18, 1947 - October 16, 2024

Robert "Bob" Lee Kapushion, passed away October 16, 2024 at the age of 77. He is survived by his wife, Linda, of 46 years; daughters, Ronda, Lori and Kristen; six grand children; four great grand children; brothers, John and Marty; and many cousins. He is preceded in death by his son, brother, and parents.

Bob loved being outdoors and hunting with his brothers and family. He retired from the forest service in 2003. He was a devoted husband and father and always dedicated himself to his family. He will forever be loved and missed. The family will have a celebration of Bobs incredible life for family and friends in the spring of 2025

Tribute Wall

“ I am so sad to hear of Bob's passing. Bob was my first FS supervisor in Eagle, CO in June of 1979. I was a young seasonal forester working my way through college, and Bob took a chance on hiring me in my freshman year. I worked five seasons for Bob, and one for Bill Johnson and Jerry Craghead in recreation. I got on permanent in 1984 on the Gila NF in New Mexico, and I stayed in touch with Bob through Christmas cards all through the many years. I just heard the news. Bob was the kind of supervisor who pointed you in a direction, gave you a few pointers, and then just let you do what needed to be done. Thankfully I never disappointed Bob, or at least show it where others might have. I once however did lay out a harvest unit in the wrong location on Hardscrabble Mountain, and I was mortified to find out. I told Bob I would go back on my own time to fix it. Bob just smiled and told me that was not necessary, mistakes happen. I admired Bob because of his kind and generous spirit. He reminded me of my father in many respects. Both never said an unkind word of others and trusted you in situations where others might not, which helped in developing self-confidence. To Bob I offer the following:

*I am part of all that I have met;
Yet all experience is an arch wherethrough
Gleams that un-travelled world, whose margin fades
For ever and for ever as I move through it.*

*While those experiences have become memories
They endure;
And are woven into the tapestry of my identity.*

*As time moves on, even the edges of the harsher memories start to
soften.
And the reasons become immaterial.
Out beyond ideas of wrongdoing and rightdoing;
beyond wrongthinking and rightthinking
There is a field.
I will meet you there.*

George Panek - December 24, 2024 at 05:09 PM

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“ *To the Dear Family of Bob Kapushion:*

What heartbreaking news losing such a nice coworker, supervisor & Forest Service friend. We both worked with Bob, he was Elaine's supervisor for timber resources and what a patient, gentle soul as he shared his profession and had a challenge doing so with an inexperienced me! So enjoyed working with Bob. Only kind words crossed our lips as we would recall Bob ❤️

Raymond worked with Bob in the Timber program. What stands out to Ray is he did prescribe fire with Bob above Gypsum which changed his perception of Bob as Bob had a bit of fun that day. Now that Elaine remembers also was Gary Osier and Bob working camp manager's caring for us ground pounders on a fire and the Bob & Gary show was so competent and enjoyed caring for us. They were in their element.

Memories of those days include a Rifle Ranger District full of great people including; Doug Newbould, Gary Osier, Julie Grode, Paulette Karasch, Terry Wood, Phil Steers and more. It was a time I'll always appreciate with fond memories. Thank you all for sharing Bob, oh and his favorite hunting stories!

Raymond & Elaine Langstaff

Raymond & Elaine Langstaff - November 08, 2024 at 01:04 PM



Eduardo
Tarzan

“ *I am so sorry to hear this. He was a good cousin and very loved. Our deepest sympathy to you all. Janine and Ann Marie (Krasovic).*

Eduardo Tarzan - October 30, 2024 at 11:01 PM

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“ I worked with Bob for at least 20 years. We shared the same type of job for most of that time. Bob seemed to really enjoy what he was doing most of the time and loved being outdoors. As he moved up in the Forest Service he became more and more trapped in the office, and every now and then just had to get out and "smell the roses". Bob and I were of the same age, and we grew up in a time of the Forest Service was truly a family where each member pulled their weight to accomplish the task at hand. Over our last 10 years or so in the organization, the family aspect started to deteriorate. We both looked forward to retirement. Bob was an avid hunter and we visited Linda and him at there home in Kingman, AZ. He had just harvested a Javelina, and decided to cook it up and try it. Linda was not so sure, so as a back up she cooked and elk roast. So we sat down to a fine meal of javelina and elk, and enjoyed it immensely. Bob was always willing to share his knowledge and he and I enjoyed working together, and talking about our hunting adventures. I will miss his comradery and keep an eye out for Linda. The picture on this page is pure Bob!!

Gary T. Osier

Gary & Mary Osier - October 29, 2024 at 05:14 PM

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We're sorry to just become aware of Bob's passing. He was a great fellow employee at Rifle. He was always kind and thoughtful. He had a good sense of humor. I remember how he had placed a sign over the clock near his office that read " no its not time to go home yet". I learned much about silviculture from Bob. He was a quiet servant and always willing to help others. Dave Silvieus. USFS Rifle, 1999-2005

David J Silvieus - July 14, 2025 at 07:58 AM