



Robert M. Taylor

November 4, 1916 - March 9, 2015

Robert M. Taylor, Sr., 98, of Indianapolis, passed away March 9, 2015. He was born November 4, 1916 in Louisville, KY to the late Leland S. and Virginia E. Stoddard Taylor. Robert was a graduate of University of Louisville and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, School of Church Music. He served his country in the U.S. Navy and married Ruby R., Cartwright. Ruby preceded him in death, August 3, 2014.

Bob served as Minister of Music and Christian Education for American Baptist Churches in Seymour, Richmond, Frankfort, Ft. Wayne, Laporte, and Cumberland First Baptist Church, Cumberland, IN. Bob and Ruby were members of First Baptist Church of Indianapolis.

Memorial services will be held Saturday, April 25, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. at First Baptist Church, 8600 N. College Ave., Indianapolis, with visitation one hour prior.

Bob is survived by his daughter, Eila R. Goins (Rev. Richard); daughter-in-law, Sue Taylor; five grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren. A son, Robert M. Taylor, Jr.; a brother, L. Dan Taylor; and a sister, Rebecca E. Pipes, preceded him in death.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Edna Martin Christian Center and/or Cumberland First Baptist Church Music Ministry.

Final care and arrangements are entrusted to Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **25**. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church
8600 N. College Ave.
Indianapolis, IN 46240
<http://www.fbcindy.org/wp/>

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ Uncle Bob Taylor was a wonderful part of our family. When we were little, we lived close to them in the Beechmont Community in the south end of Louisville. His and Ruby's home was always open to we Pipes kids and we played with our cousins Eila and Bob Jr. all the time.

Uncle Bob was a talented musician and directed the junior choir at Beechmont Baptist Church. We took trips and sang in other churches and these were exciting times for pre-teens. He played the organ at our church also. When their family moved to Crescent Hill and then to Indiana, we missed them dearly.

Thomas and I were so fortunate that in their later years they traveled to Georgia several times to visit us in Franklin. While they were here, we took side trips to Warm Springs GA to Franklin D. Roosevelt's "Little White House" and had a wonderful time entertaining them. We visited them at Hoosier Village several times and were so glad to be a part of their lives as long as possible. He and Ruby were an exemplary couple and cared so much about their family. Bob did extensive research on the Taylor family and helped us know where and who we came from. We thank God for the blessing that they have been in our lives. Now we know they are resting in peace together again.

Judy Pipes Miller - April 01, 2015 at 09:54 PM

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“ Robert Taylor gave me a deep appreciation of church music that was presented in an excellent way. His choir members loved him and responded to his leadership. He deeply felt the meaning of the lyrics of the music that his choirs sang. He also made my early memories of FBC in Seymour fun ones. He would organize social activities in "The Fellowship Center" of the church on Sunday evenings. We did not grow up watching television on Sunday evenings. But Robert would put together skits using church members that were better than television. He was a marvelous minister and church leader. Ken Stout, Dover, New Hampshire.

Kenneth E. Stout - March 21, 2015 at 04:11 PM