



## Robert Charles Earlougher Jr.

August 19, 2011

“.....I view myself as an engineer and scientist, and hope to be so remembered professionally. Wherever you place my remains, my heart remains in the Colorado mountains”

ROBERT CHARLES EARLOUGHER, JR.

June 26, 1941-August 19, 2011

Son, Husband, Father, Brother

Robert Charles Earlougher, Jr. (Bob), a native of Tulsa, Oklahoma, passed away in Houston, Texas, on August 19, 2011. His father, R. C. (Chuck) Earlougher, passed away in 2007, and his mother, Jeanne Storer Earlougher, passed away in 1995.

After graduating from Central High School in Tulsa in 1959, he earned BS, MS and Ph.D. degrees in Petroleum Engineering from Stanford University. In 1966, he joined Marathon Oil Company as a Research Engineer and subsequently held a series of research positions at Marathon's Petroleum Technology Center in Littleton, CO, and in 1977 was appointed manager of the Engineering Department. In 1970, he married Evelyn Robertson of Douglas, Wyoming, and their daughter, Katherine Anne, was born in Littleton in 1979.

In subsequent years, he occupied management positions in Casper, Wyoming, and Bridgeport, Illinois. In 1988 he became Coordinating Manager for Production, U.K., then Manager, Brae Projects, for Marathon Oil U.K., and was based in London for nearly seven years. After returning to Houston he was named Vice President, International Production, until his retirement in January, 2000. Sometimes with his wife Evelyn, he traveled to Gabon, Russia, Japan and Sakhalin Island in that capacity. During his time with Marathon he also attended a 4-month MBA course at Harvard Business School.

After his retirement, he and Evelyn enjoyed traveling to China, Peru, Egypt, and Guatemala, in addition to many locations in the U.S, including a trip down the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon. In June of 2010 he, Evelyn, daughter, Katie, and son-in-law, Eddie, had a very memorable visit back to London.

Dr. Earlougher was very active in the Society of Petroleum Engineers for over 35 years. He served on, or chaired, many SPE national-level committees and was a national director from 1980-1983, as well as a Distinguished Lecturer in 1985-1986. He was an officer in the Denver and London SPE sections. He was a Registered Professional Engineer in Colorado, Texas, Oklahoma and California. He authored 28 peer-reviewed publications and has 3 issued patents. He was the author of over 30 technical talks and papers.

In 1977 he authored an SPE Monograph, "Advances in Well Test Analysis" which is still used as a text book in several universities. The recipient of many SPE Awards over the years, Mr. Earlougher was awarded an honorary membership in 1997. In 1996, he was elected to the National Academy of Engineering. He was a member of Sigma Xi, Scientific Research Society of America, Tau Beta Pi and Phi Beta Kappa. At the Society of Petroleum Engineers Annual Technical Conference in New Orleans in 2009, he was one of several recognized as "Legends of Production".

Bob is survived by his wife of 41 years, Evelyn, daughter Katie Konold and her husband, Eddie, and cherished grand daughter Charley Rose, of Boulder, Colorado, and two sisters, Jan Hawkins, and her husband, Jim, of San Diego, California, and Anne O'Connell Malinowski, and her husband, Gene, of Morristown, New Jersey, as well as several nieces and nephews, and five cousins.

His main interest was anything associated with the Colorado mountains: downhill and cross-country skiing in winter and hiking and mountain climbing in the summer. By the mid-seventies he had scaled all of Colorado's 14,000-foot peaks, most of them more than once. Later on, he scaled many of these peaks with Katie. He continued to ski every year in Colorado until 2010.

Bob developed a debilitating disease, Lewybody Dementia, and his health declined in the last few years. For the last three years he spent part of his time at Autumn Grove Cottage in Spring, TX, where he received the most loving, capable, compassionate care. His family would like to acknowledge the contribution his caregivers at Autumn Grove Cottage made to his quality of life.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a gift in his name to the Lewybody Dementia Association <http://www.lewybodydementia.org/go/donate>. A further tribute would be to visit their website <http://www.lewybodydementia.org> to learn more about Lewybody, the most common non-Alzheimer's disease.

The Addison family and staff at Addison Funeral Home would like to extend their condolences to Robert's family.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Robert Charles Earlougher Jr.*

July 20, 2022 at 05:14 PM



“ *Bobby, we will never stop thinking about you and missing you.*

**Sue** - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *Marjorie & Steve Glennan lit a candle in memory of Robert Charles Earlougher Jr.*



**Marjorie & Steve Glennan** - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *I had the good fortune and pleasure to work with Bob twice. Bob was my first supervisor at Marathon in Littleton in 1967 and then again in London for 5 years starting in 1990's. Bob was a cool customer, very astute and very aware of an employee's needs a*

**Jay Howell** - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JH

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Jay Howell - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

DI

“ I met Bob, Evelyn and Katie when Glenn and I moved to London with Marathon. I was only 25 at the time, but Bob never made me feel inadequate. Bob always made me feel welcome and important. I'll never forget the fun meals in Hampstead and the bottomless po

Diane - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Don Barnum lit a candle in memory of Robert Charles Earllougher Jr.



Don Barnum - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

WH

“ Most of you know that Bob is a legend in the truest sense of the word.

*My first encounter with him was as a young buck in the Illinois oil fields. We all new of his reputation, having written one of the most revered books of the oil industry, before*

William Hastings - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

KI

“ Karen E. O'Connell & Michael Schill III lit a candle in memory of Robert Charles Earlougher Jr.



Karen E. O'Connell & Michael Schill III - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

NK

“ I worked for Bob when he was VP of International Production. I found him to be a thoughtful and caring person. My deepest sympathies go to the family of anyone suffering from Lewy Body Dementia, as it took my mother last year.

Nancy Kralik - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ George Sharp lit a candle in memory of Robert Charles Earlougher Jr.



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SP

“ Susie Zingg Paulson lit a candle in memory of Robert Charles Earlougher Jr.



Susie Zingg Paulson - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ I was a classmate with Bob. What I remember best about him was the aura of integrity and kindness he had even as a teenager. He had great intelligence and though we did not know each other well, he always made it a point to say "Hi" when passing in the

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**Susie Zingg Paulson** - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ it was a honor to know him, to talk and listen to him someone with a pure heart you will truly be missed

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**theresa hannibal** - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ Theresa Hannibal lit a candle in memory of Robert Charles Earlougher Jr.



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**theresa hannibal** - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ Bob and I were in Central High School's Class of '59 in Tulsa. We had many classes and friends together. It was a pure delight to be able to reconnect with him again at our recent class reunion. Bob was someone who could always be counted on to bring w

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**Phil Fehrle** - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Sally Parsons lit a candle in memory of Robert Charles Earlougher Jr.*



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**Sally Parsons** - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ *I had the pleasure of working with Bob when he returned to Houston from London until his retirement. Bob was a person that all could look up to. Bob worked hard and set the standard for integrity. He was held in high regard as an engineer and scientist*

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**Britt Cotter** - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ *Britt Cotter lit a candle in memory of Robert Charles Earlougher Jr.*



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JF

“ *I had the pleasure of working for Bob in Bridgeport, Illinois and with him again in Houston. Bob had a rare combination of gifts for an executive. He was intelligent, humble, gracious, genuine and caring about his team and their extended families. I suspe*

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**John Farrell** - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ *I worked for Bob in Houston when he was the Vice President of International Production. It was my pleasure to have done so. I dropped many quarters into Bob's "late to the meeting" fund while working for him. The most memorable was when I had to pay up*

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**Sid Black** - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SB

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