



## Robert Carter

June 30, 1914 - March 10, 2009

Bob Carter, 94, much-loved United Methodist pastor, father, grandfather, uncle, and neighbor, died at home on 3/10/2009.

Born in 1914 and raised in New Orleans, he graduated from Tulane University and received his divinity degree from Emory University. He served circuits of small Methodist churches in rural Georgia and North Carolina in the 1940's. In 1945 he married Mildred Siceloff, with whom he was a partner in ministry until her death in 1979. They moved to Louisiana in 1949 and served churches in and around Covington, Eunice, and Baton Rouge. Bob's congregations knew him for his attentive pastoral care and community involvement. United Methodists across Louisiana knew him for his quiet peacemaking and leadership in social and racial justice. In 27 years of retirement, he followed the footsteps of John Wesley, going about caring for those in need and speaking against injustice. After moving to Austin around 1996, he became an active member of Trinity United Methodist Church and a true neighbor to his neighbors. He tended an unofficial garden in his corner of the apartment courtyard.

He is survived by daughter Beth of Silver Spring Maryland, sons David and Bill of Austin, and five grandchildren.

Bob suggested that gifts in his honor might be directed to the building fund of Trinity UMC of Austin or to the building fund of any church.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Robert Carter*

October 05, 2023 at 10:58 AM



“ *Robert Carter*

October 04, 2023 at 06:25 PM



“ *Robert Carter*

September 26, 2023 at 10:57 PM



“ *Thanks for all your kind words. I would love to respond but don't have some of your email addresses or mailing addresses. If you would like to send me a note and let me know how to contact you, please do so at [bbillccarter@netscape.net](mailto:bbillccarter@netscape.net)*

**Bill Carter** - May 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Bill, David and Beth,  
My love and prayers are with you. Your dad and mom were such an important part of my family's life in north Baton Rouge, especially my mother, Sue Snarr. Brother Carter truly walked the walk. His compassion and dedication to the least and the lost was an example of God's love in this world that inspires us all. I was blessed to have known him.*

**Susan Snarr Pourciau** - April 07, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CE

“ Dear Bill and Family,

*You have my deepest sympathy on the death of your beloved father. His life was a blessing to us all.*

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**Carolyn Eary** - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ *I remember "Uncle" Bobby as such a gentle and loving man. As my mother wrote, by accompanying my grandmother, his sister-in-law, to my college graduation, he provided me with a gift and memories that are priceless. I think it is truly beautiful that his last moments were at home surrounded by family. Our prayers are with you all, Betsy, Randy, Carter, and Evan Larsen.*

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**Betsy Bjick-Larsen** - March 22, 2009 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ *Our thoughts and love go out to the family's of Uncle Bob. He certainly was a good man and will be missed.  
Sarah, Bridgette and Annette Taylor great neice and great-great neices of Bob*

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**Sarah E. Taylor** - March 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AT

“ *We were so sorry to hear about Rev. Carter's death. He was a kind, gentle man fully engaged in working for justice wherever he lived. We need more people like him.*

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**Ann and Randy Teich** - March 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Thank you all for your kind words and memories. A memorial service for Bob has been scheduled for May 23 at 2:00 PM at Trinity United Methodist Church in Austin Texas.

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**Bill Carter** - March 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ Bill and David, My memories of your family will always be with me. Brother Carter was truly an exception man. His kindness and caring were with him always. You are in my prayers. Joyce

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**Joyce Orr** - March 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM

FB

“ Bro. Carter was a "living" sermon and true witness to a life lived "in" love. So much of what he did was behind the scenes without fanfare and not always recognized by those here on earth but surely by our Lord who welcomed him saying, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant." It was a joy and pleasure to have participated in the making of the quilt we presented to him and Mildred at NBRUMC those many years ago. We pray his family will be filled with the peace that only God can give.  
With loving sympathy,  
Milton & Florence Baker

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**Florence & Milton Baker** - March 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ *Beth, Bill, and David,  
Our prayers are with you and your families. I am so grateful to have had Uncle Bobby in my life for such a long time - all of my 73 years. I have many fond memories, the most recent are our being together at the Crossings and, especially significant, having Uncle Bob come with my mother to Betsy's Cornell graduation. His life of service continues to be an inspiration.*

*Bill and David, Ron and I appreciate all that you have done for him in Austin.*

*Love and peace to all of you,  
Sue*

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**Sue Carter Bjick** - March 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AA

“ *My husband, Joe Ader, and Bob attended the same Methodist Church in New Orleans when they were young, (Bob a few years earlier). They found this out when talking at a meeting here in Austin of OWAP (Old Worn Out Preachers). Bob was a fine man.*

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**Anne B. Ader** - March 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ *My prayers are with you at this difficult time. May you find peace in many warm memories.*

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**Annette Robinson** - March 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ *Bill, Tina and Eric,*

*My thoughts and prayers are with you during these difficult times. Bill, I didn't know your father but he sounds like someone I would have enjoyed knowing. Note for Eric: Shara is in heaven too, keeping your grandfather company.*

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**Cathy Miller** - March 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ *I am so sorry to hear about Bro. Carter. I'll never forget when Mildred was in that wreck and in a semi-coma. Bro. Carter came to Mamas, and I was there, and he asked me if I could please go up to the hospital with him, and hopefully tell him what Mildred was trying to tell him, since I am deaf read lips. I'll never forget that day. My mother, Edith Overby, was with me. Bro. Carter called us in ICU. Mildred was trying to tell him something. I talked to her and she said, " Tell Bob I love him so much!" That was all she said. MaMa, Bro. Carter and I got tears in our eyes, and he was so happy to hear that. I loved him so much and he was so much a part of our family*

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**Doris Overby Daves Romeo** - March 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *We are very sorry for your loss. Bob was a very special person.*

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**Dick Shocket & Prema Strecker** - March 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Dear Friends, Beth, Bill, and David,  
We were so sorry to hear of Brother Carter's death. He and his family meant so much to us all for many years. I know he will be missed by many. I have a letter of encouragement and strength that he wrote to the three of us when my dad passed in 1967 that has been read many times. In it he mentioned that when his time came, he hoped he would have a funeral director as caring as daddy and I hope and pray he did.

Growing up, I remember many good times being shared by us all...births, birthday parties, first day of school pictures, church activities, and many others.

I am and have been a member of First Baptist Church here in Covington for about twelve years and will be sending them a contribution to their building fund in memory of your dad.

By the way, our dads were born the same year, within a month of each other.

You all are in my thoughts and prayers.

I love you

Pat

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**Patricia Bruner Terri Bruner Bailey** - March 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time of your loss. Please let us know if there is anything we can do for you!  
Hal and Karen Chase

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**Karen and Hal Chase** - March 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Bill, my prayers are with you and your family.

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**Diana Washington** - March 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BA

“ May God grant peace to the Carter family as they say goodbye to their father, and joy to Robert Crossley Carter as he joins his heavenly Father. "We love because He first loved us." 1 John 4:19

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**Bethany Ansell** - March 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ David and Bill, Memories of time spent with your family are very special to me. It's been many years ago, but you all still remain in my thoughts. Both of your parents were truly a blessing and a gift. I'll keep you in my prayers.

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**Judy Parker Hammond** - March 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ I did not know Bob, but do know his son Bill. I guess if you know Bill, you know Bob. And then you will know about the Gospel and justice, and a gentle caring spirit. Bob's legacy lives on beyond a near century of service. Thank you Bob.

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**Brian Heymans** - March 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BA

“ I simply do not have just one memory of Bro. Carter, as he was so lovingly referred to for those of us blessed to have had his service at NBR Methodist. He was "family" to us. I still have some Christmas ornaments sweet Mildred made and sent to us when we lived in the San Francisco area and got to know and love Nana Siceloff. Weddings, births, baptisms, funerals - the Carter family went through them all at our side. The Overby family will always have a special place in our heart for the Carter family. He did make a difference, where he went, because he went where God sent him and with a servant's heart. I would love to know of plans for the memorial service. God bless you, David, Bill and Beth...you know how blessed you were to have had the parents you had.

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**Bobbye Daves Adams** - March 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Greetings to everyone. Thank you for visiting the guest book for Bob Carter. Please leave a note with any memory of Bob or greeting you would like to share with the wide circle of Bob's friends and fellow laborers. Bob died with his two sons, David and me, on either side of him, in his room in David's home.

There will be a memorial service later this spring or early summer. Please leave your contact information if you want to be sure to be notified about the service.

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**Bill Carter** - March 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM