

Captain Robert Lee Williams
Rest In Peace
Saturday, September 15, 2018



A Celebration of Life trumps going to a funeral! With his family all in bright red, Bob's favorite color, Captain Williams was very much celebrated as a life well lived.

Along with Ernie & Marrilee Lingren, Dave & Tomme Kaplan, Al & Jill Harris; Cheryl and I were on hand to pay tribute to one of Frontier Airlines' greatest. Trudy, one of the SLC stews was there too.

All three of Bob and Sue's kids proudly celebrated their Dad's life, as did Ernie Lingren. Ernie, likely Bob's closest friend, recalled some special moments including a rather tragic Salmon fishing excursion. Rough seas with Bob having chummed the fish with things he'd eaten as a baby resulted in a catch-less event.

Bob and Sue's youngest, Captain Robert H "Woody" Williams, spoke of his father's encouraging ways even to relating the time Bob asked Frontier's Al Beardsley to turn Woody 'green' in Al's Cessna Aerobat. Al failed! From that point forward Woody has been assured of an aviation career in the shadow of his much loved and respected father. "If you love what you do, you'll never work a day in your life!" Yup!

Dave and I recalled the countless hours Bob sacrificed away from his family during those dark days ending Frontier's storied and historic existence. He truly had a stabilizing effect on a good many moments of tension often found in negotiations and MEC activity. We saw today how impactful he was in the positive way he gave of himself to his family, church, and community.

Cheryl and I recalled the time when we were neighbors in Aurora, Colorado when Woody (then "Willy") and our son, Preston, went to Polton Elementary School together. Looking back over a half-century of special memories...

-Billy Walker