



## Mr. Robert (Bob) Warren Bond

November 8, 1934 - December 17, 2018

Robert Warren Bond, age 84, passed away on December 17, 2018. He had many business achievements during his life, but it was his love of his family and friends that motivated all that he did and all that he was.

Born November 8, 1934 in Greenwood, MS. To his family in his youth he was known as "Buddy", and later in his life to his extended family as Bob, Dad, and Pops. He lived in Itta Bena, MS until age 9 when his family moved to Atlanta, GA. In 1953, Bob graduated from Brown High School in Atlanta then began his business career selling power transmission equipment. It was also in Atlanta that he met Sandra Davis. They were married in 1957 and Sandra has faithfully stood by his side for the last 61 years. Bob served in the US Navy for two years aboard the USS Intrepid. In 1967 he founded Bond Transmission and Controls, in Greenville, SC, which he expanded into Bond Textile Machinery in 1971. He employed over 100 people, and sold machinery internationally. The company won the US Commerce Department's "E Award" for excellence in exports in 1981.

After building the business for many years and putting his four sons through college he sold the business and retired from the Textile Industry. In keeping with his entrepreneurial spirit, he owned and operated several other businesses for the next few years finally retiring for good in 1994. Bob and Sandra moved to their Lake Hartwell house in the same year and remained

there until 2011 with a final move to Clemson. Always a Clemson Tiger fan they enjoyed retired life in the Upstate attending many Tiger sporting events.

Bob's is survived by, his Wife: Sandra D. Bond; Sister: Nell Hammond; Sons: Alan Bond, Scot Bond (Frances), Greg Bond, Mark Bond (Robin); Grandchildren: William Bond, Elizabeth Bond Cochran (Seth), Caroline Bond Gibbons (Peter), Steven Bond, Andrew Bond, Warren Bond, Matthew Bond, Wesley Sarvis (Bianca), Emily Bond, Natalie Bond; Great-grandchildren: Samuel Cochran, Henry Cochran, Jane Cochran, Phoenix Bond, Sebastian Sarvis, Willow Sarvis; Niece: Marsha Dorsey (Bill); Nephew: James Hammond (Diane) and Great-niece: Andrea Fortunato.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2:00 PM, Friday, December 21, 2018, at Davenport Funeral Home Chapel with burial to follow at Oconee Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 1:00-2:00 PM, Friday, prior to the service, at Davenport Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to either of the following, The Parkinson's Foundation, 200 SE 1st Street, Suite 800, Miami, FL 33131, [www.parkinson.org](http://www.parkinson.org) or to The Alzheimer's Foundation of America, 322 Eighth Avenue, 7th Floor, New York, NY 10001, [www.alzfdn.org](http://www.alzfdn.org).

# Cemetery Details

## Ocone Memorial Park

1923 Blue Ridge Boulevard  
Seneca, SC 29672  
<http://oconeememorialpark.com?>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 21. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Davenport Funeral Home  
311 S Highway 11  
West Union, SC 29696  
(864) 638-3611  
[davenportfhome@gmail.com](mailto:davenportfhome@gmail.com)  
<https://www.davenportfuneralhome.com>

## Funeral Service

DEC 21. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Robert (Bob) Warren Bond*

January 28, 2023 at 01:03 PM



“ *Bob was a great neighbor and friend, We purchased our Hartwell Lake property from Bob and Sandra. It became our home, next to theirs for 10 years. Our families enjoyed fun times together. Recalling some were the Clemson football games, Bob's mothers 90th birthday party, both Al's and my retirement parties, and our son Judd's 21st birthday party. Oyster roast 4th of July fireworks, and fun times on the lake. Just to mention a few. Bob was always interested in the well being of our family. Bob and Sandra created a wonderful photo book of our great times for us. The property on the point on which both families lived was private, peaceful and a special place given to us from the Lord above. Bob dearly loved Clemson. Judd was a trainer for football team he was always kind enough to invite us to accompany him and Sandra. Bob was such a grand supporter that we parked at the gates and entered! We attended several base ballgames with the Bonds as well. And were all so excited as Will was a pitching player with the team. Bob is missed by friends and family. But we know he is cheering for Clemson baseball tomorrow as they face USC! See you one day dear friend., In love and friendship, The Caudells: Al, Karon, Dustin and Judd's families*



**Karon Caudell** - March 01, 2019 at 09:48 PM

AS

“ *Mrs Bond & family,*

*I was so sad to hear about Mr. Bond's passing. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.*



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**April Shipman** - December 22, 2018 at 07:48 PM

DS

“ *Don & Kim Shelton lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert (Bob) Warren Bond*



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**Don & Kim Shelton** - December 21, 2018 at 12:46 PM

BO

“ *Our heartfelt condolences to Sandra and the entire Bond family. Betty, Rob, Dave and I will always remember the good times our families shared over the years. As both a friend and employee, Bob's philosophy on life was unique and inspirational in many ways. A lot of what I learned from him enabled me to start my own business. His tenacity and ability to stay the course was contagious. Remembering those lake Hartwell sunsets, smooth sailing to you Buddy. You will be in our hearts forever.*

*Ed Edwards*

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**Bond** - December 20, 2018 at 08:01 PM

EF

“ *Ed Edwards Family purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Mr. Robert (Bob) Warren Bond.*



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**Ed Edwards Family** - December 20, 2018 at 12:20 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Robert (Bob) Warren Bond.*



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December 20, 2018 at 10:30 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Robert (Bob) Warren Bond.*



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December 19, 2018 at 07:35 PM

TM

“ *Bob was an icon in the textile industry. Always looking for new ways to generate new business, he'll be remembered best for these skills. Fly away, Bob, to your next adventure in Heaven!*

*Tom Marchant  
379 Golden Bear Drive, J2  
Pawleys Island, S.C. 29585*

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**tom marchant** - December 19, 2018 at 07:00 PM

DN

“ Thirty or so years ago, Bob and I worked together on some of his "architectural/construction" pursuits. He was very inquisitive, very knowledgeable and a pleasure to work with. We lost touch over the years and I am saddened by his passing as I am sure he will be greatly missed by those who knew him. I feel fortunate to have so many nice memories of Bob.

*David Narramore*

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**David Narramore** - December 19, 2018 at 01:20 PM

EB

“ I worked for the Bonds for 17 years it was the best job I ever had. Great people to work for. I got the job when my family was in need and the pay was very fair, no one was hiring at that time.

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**Eddie Burgess** - December 19, 2018 at 10:04 AM

JS

“ My heart goes out to you, Sandra, and your son's. I am praying for you at this difficult time. I am unable to attend the funeral or visitation as Haiyan is flying into Greenville from China Friday. I will be at the airport.

*Bless you and may God give you the peace that passed all understanding.*

*Joan Servis*

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**joan Servis** - December 19, 2018 at 08:46 AM

WG

“ It was November 1970 I had just arrived back in Greenville after being in the Service and I answered an ad in the Greenville News; "wanted above average person who is willing to work and learn the Power Transmission business from the ground up." I got on my motorcycle and rode over to Bond Transmission and controls and met Bob Bond. He asked me a lot of questions and said well, you are the first guy who understands gear ratios and torque so you can probably do it how much do you want? When I told him he sort of laughed and said just a minute and he sat there looking at me and said, "you better be worth it see you in the morning" Bob Bond gave me my start, he didn't have to and he paid me more than I was worth because he knew I had two small children and had just returned from Viet Nam but because of Bob I went on in my career and became successful in positions of management with fortune 500 companies and later my own mining and dredging machinery company all because Bob Bond gave me a chance and took a chance on a kid with no credentials. I am forever in your debt Bob and I will never forget you. Walter Greer

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**Walt Greer** - December 18, 2018 at 06:29 PM

MB

“ Prayers to the family thru this difficult time.

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**margaret bost** - December 18, 2018 at 08:01 AM

BE

“ RIP Poppy so proud you got your wings, we love you & will miss you...

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**Bobbiejo elrod** - December 17, 2018 at 05:07 PM