

State of Vermont House of Representatives



Montpelier, Vermont

Concurrent House Resolution

H.C.R. 19

House concurrent resolution in memory of Robert D. Murray of South Strafford

Offered by: Representatives O'Brien of Tunbridge, Burrows of West Windsor, Holcombe of Norwich, and Masland of Thetford

Whereas, Tunbridge native Bob Murray first demonstrated his athletic prowess as a catcher on the South Royalton High School baseball team, and he served in the U.S. Army as a high-speed radio operator stationed in Okinawa, and

Whereas, upon his return to Vermont, Bob Murray married Barbara Mobus, who became his life's loving partner for 64 years, and he graduated from Lyndon State College, where he, not surprisingly, captained the baseball team, and

Whereas, for two years he taught math at the Tunbridge Elementary School; transitioned to the Newton School in South Strafford, where he began a 28-year career as its teaching principal and where his wife served as school secretary; and, after retiring from the Newton School, he worked for a decade at the Thetford Academy Learning Center, and

Whereas, during Bob Murray's 55 years residing in Strafford, he was truly a pillar of the community, serving as lifetime volunteer firefighter, an active cemetery association volunteer, and as a volunteer on many civic projects, and regularly coaching his children's sports teams, and

Whereas, in recognition of his community contributions, the town named its recreation field in his honor, and he was designated a Lions Club Citizen of the Year, and

Whereas, on December 17, 2022, Bob Murray died at 87 years of age, and his survivors include his wife, children, and grandchildren, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends its sincere condolences to the family of Robert Murray, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the members of Bob Murray's family.