Fun and laughter, kindled love
 dirt beneath wide sky above
 Footprints behind path ahead
 in the springtime of our lives.

Big dreams, youthful prime
 streams for crossing, hills to climb
 Much to be done little time
 in the summer of our lives.

Settled peace, mixture of fear
 painful losses, cold drawn near
 Much left undone room to plan
 in the autumn of our lives.

Lonely moments and the past
 nothing to clutch none to last
 Will to live nor forget
 in the winter of our lives.

Christ above and Him beside
 Hand for holding light to guide
 Steady compass spring of hope
 In the seasons of our lives
Robert Clayton Pope, 72, of Mandan, passed away peacefully on December 30, 2018 into eternal life after a lengthy illness.

Bob was born on May 13, 1946 to Thomas and Eva (Gress) Pope in Mandan, ND. He joined the U.S. Navy on May 7, 1969 and was honorably discharged on May 6, 1973. He served on the ship USS Benjamin Stoddert. He worked in various positions that included the City of Mandan, Morton County, and Spirit of Life Church.

Bob was a kind, gentle, humble, and soft spoken man with a deep faith who loved the Lord, his family, and church. He enjoyed long walks on the prairie with his dog Bella, yoga, and cross country skiing in the winter. Bob always had a project – he worked on his home and machinery and would always lend a helping hand to others. Often you’d find him listening to music, especially the Christian stations and talk radio. When gardening he would preserve his own fruit and vegetables and would grow flowers and wild flowers which he loved. Always a generous man, he would give away his produce from his garden and the eggs from the chickens and ducks he raised. He also raised a beautiful peacock. Bob was an active member at Spirit of Life Church in the choir, the soup kitchen and as a custodian. He was an artistic man who was greatly loved and respected, and will be dearly missed.

Bob is survived by his four sisters, Sharon Zander of Mandan, Anita Baillie of Bismarck, Laura Pope and her husband, Larry Anderson of Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Laine Pope of Mandan; many nieces, nephews, and cousins; and his dog, Bella.

He is preceded in death by his parents.

In Loving Memory Of

Robert C. Pope

May 13, 1946 — December 30, 2018

Parish Rosary/Vigil

Thursday, January 3, 2019; 7:00 p.m.
Weigel Funeral Home
Rev. Todd Kreitinger

Funeral Liturgy

Friday, January 4, 2019; 10:30 a.m.
Spirit of Life Catholic Church
Rev. Todd Kreitinger

Celebrant
Janelle Thomas ~ Jess Friesz ~ Matthew Camp

Musicians

“On Eagle’s Wings”

Opening Song

Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading
Numbers 6:22-27
Stacy Zander

Lector
Psalm 25

Responsorial Psalm

“To You O Lord, I lift my soul.”

New Testament Reading
Romans 12:9-13
Nancy Walker

Lector
John 5:24-29

Gospel Reading

Homily

Preparation of Gifts Song
“Here I Am, Lord”
Sarah Zander ~ Jack Zander

Presentation of Gifts

“You Are Mine”

Consecration of Eucharist

“Be Not Afraid”

Communion Song

“Song of Farewell”

Communion Meditation

“How Great Thou Art”

Final Commendation

Closing Song

Honorary Casket Bearers

Henry Pope ~ Herman Pope ~ Thomas Pope

John Pope ~ Robert Pope ~ William Pope

Burial of the Urn

North Dakota Veterans Cemetery
Mandan, North Dakota