



Robin Carroll Ford

July 8, 1940 - January 12, 2024

Robin Carroll Ford was born at Swedish-American Hospital in Rockford, Illinois on July 28, 1940, and became the adopted son of Carroll and Roberta Ford of Rockford, Illinois. Throughout childhood and adolescence, he attended Catholic parochial grade and high schools. After high school he entered a Roman Catholic seminary attached to Loras College in Dubuque, Iowa. He left the seminary two years later but stayed in Dubuque and obtained his bachelor's degree in January 1961. The following fall, he entered the University at Rochester, New York, as a Public Health Fellow in Clinical Psychology where he obtained his master's degree and worked as a school psychologist in upstate New York. He married Mary Anne Kehoe in 1963 and had three children; Nicholas Robin, Paula Bridgid (dearly departed), and Alexander Curran.

Following a move to Chicago, Illinois, he continued work as a school psychologist, working part time at Children's Memorial Hospital. In 1967 he enrolled as a doctoral candidate at the University of Chicago, leaving three years later in the midst of on-campus student protests. He finished his doctorate at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb in 1972 and became a licensed clinical psychologist in Illinois. Following a divorce, he married Jessica Lyle and had a son; Aaron Benjamin.

Robin taught at two medical schools early in his career. The first position, at Northwestern University, was with first year psychiatric residents and focused on interviewing techniques with children and adolescents. The second

teaching position was at the Chicago Medical School - University of Health Sciences where he lectured on child development to third year medical students. It was the mid-1970's and classes were so rowdy that they once lit a large paper airplane on fire and sailed it across the auditorium.

He also co-authored fourteen articles which were published in scholarly journals based on research reports on childhood friendships, honesty and relationships with parents. One article dealt with the effects of carrier status on the parents of children with phenylketonuria and was published in Lancet, a British journal. His work as a psychologist took him in several directions, and by 1978 he left Illinois to work for the National Institute of Corrections U.S. Department of Justice providing technical assistance and managerial teaching to jails and prisons nationwide. Following this three year inter-governmental loan, he moved with his family to St. Simon's Island, Georgia for five years, where he obtained a Georgia psychological license and began a private practice. After a divorce, he moved to Phoenix, Arizona in 1986, to work for the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office.

In the early Summer of 1986 he met his wife, Karin Larsen Belnap. They were married in her hometown of Odense, Denmark on December 3, 1986. He worked for the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office for sixteen years and left in 2002 to go into full time private practice as both a clinical psychologist and as a neuropsychologist. Finally, in 2017, he was asked to join Neurological Associates of the East Valley in Chandler, Arizona where he finished his career and retired in 2018.

He and Karin have enjoyed every aspect of their life together, particularly traveling to and from Denmark and throughout the world. He is survived by his wife; Karin Ford, children; Nicholas Robin Ford, Alexander Curran Ford, Mark Stuart Belnap, Stacey Loraine Belnap, Kenneth Roger Belnap, Aaron Benjamin Ford, twenty grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

A celebration of life will be held Saturday, January 20, 2024, from 3:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m. at the Winchester Hills LDS Chapel located at 5338 N. Winchester Drive, St. George, Utah 84770.

Zoom link for service - <https://zoom.us/j/95953585052>

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN **20**. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (MT)

Winchester Hills Chapel
5338 N. Winchester Hills Dr.
St. George, UT 84770

Tribute Wall



“ *Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah created a Webcast in memory of Robin Carroll Ford*



Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah - January 18, 2024 at 01:39 PM

DS

“ *Dearest Karin,
Once again you and Robin have touched our lives. Don and I were able to watch Robin's service via zoom. What a wonderful tribute to a great man. Don and I have such sweet memories of you and Robin. Me with you as a visiting teacher and Don having the privilege to serve with him in the Priest Quorum. It started when you were my mom's visiting teacher way back when she lived in Chandler and then years later you ended up being my visiting teacher. I remember how you encouraged me to date Don. How wonderful that turned out! You and Robin are such a great example of what a true marriage should be. We will always be grateful for the kindness you and Robin have shown us. We have spoken often of our desire to come and visit you and Robin in St. George. Sadly, we waited too long but once your life settles down we would love to come and see you. We will keep in touch. Please know you are in our hearts and prayers as you morn the loss of such a wonderful companion. We love you!
Don and Diane Scoggins*

Diane Scoggins - January 20, 2024 at 07:10 PM

KF

*Dear Diane,
We always cherished our friendship with you and Don. I will look forward to a visit from you and Don.
Love and hugs,
Karin*

Karin L. Ford - February 16, 2024 at 09:13 AM

SE

“ *Robin - so sorry for your loss. Hugs~Susan*



Susan Edwards - January 19, 2024 at 07:53 PM

KF

Thank you, Susan 💕

Karin L. Ford - February 16, 2024 at 09:14 AM

DA

“ *Robin Ford was a wonderful supporter of our entire family. He always made an effort to help us and be there for us. When my son graduated from Medical School in Arizona, he and his wife Karin made certain that they could attend Brian's graduation. Because of time and travel constraints to our other 5 children, Robin and Karin were the only family members from our side in attendance. Robin had the ability to show love unconditionally. He always listened with interest and his full attention. He was a wonderful father, husband and friend. He will be greatly missed.*

*With Deepest Sympathy,
David and Carol Belnap Family*

David - January 19, 2024 at 07:46 PM

KF

Thank you, David and family💕💕

Karin L. Ford - February 16, 2024 at 09:15 AM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Robin Carroll Ford.*



January 19, 2024 at 10:01 AM



“ *Dear Karin, I am so sorry for your loss, you are in my heart and in my prayers. Much love*
Lisbeth

Lisbeth Hopper - January 19, 2024 at 09:05 AM

DH

Karin,

We were so sorry Robyn's passing and for the great loss that you are feeling at this time. Our thoughts, feelings and prayers are with you and your family.

I talked with Jana about three days ago to let her know that Bor was going into the Huntsman Neurological Center in S.L.C. for brain treatments to cure the tremors that he has been experiencing, and she let me know of Robyn's passing. and we had a great talk about you, your family and the great remembrances that you have all blessed our lives with.

Bob is doing well, and in our conversations we all had to comment about when we would be experiencing the "Golden Years" that we have been promised at our ages.

Again, our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time, and although we haven't been through St. George for a number of years, we will let you know when we will be coming through there, and look forward to seeing you at that time.

Thanks for the gracious memories, All of our love, Dennis and Mary Hoagland

Dennis Hoagland - January 20, 2024 at 06:36 PM

KF

Thank you, Dennis. The Hoagland family will always hold a most special place in my heart. My gratitude is eternal.

*Love and hugs,
Karin*

Karin L. Ford - February 16, 2024 at 09:22 AM

SH

Karin, I am so sorry to learn of Robin's passing. He was my supervisor, friend and colleague in Arizona. I was Robin's psychological assistant when he was the lead police psychologist at the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office, and he was also on my doctoral dissertation committee at ASU. We fell out of touch when you two moved to Utah, but he will always have a special place in my heart and mind. What a great guy, and I am better for having known him! Scott Herrman

Scott Herrmann - January 31, 2025 at 04:00 PM