



John Sumner Bullock, my Dad, 73, of Kansas City, Missouri, formerly of Columbia while attending the University of Missouri, passed away on Wednesday, January 14th, 2004 at 8:10 P.M in Kansas City. Funeral Service was held on Sunday, January 18th at Mt. Moriah Terrace Park Funeral Home. Burial was in Mt. Moriah Cemetery at 10507 Holmes Road. Visitation was Saturday evening, the 17th at the funeral home. The Bullock Family suggests memorial contributions be made to the North Star United Methodist Church, PO Box 888, Liberty, MO 64069, where Dad last attended. A more formal life story may be found at <http://www.mem.com/display/Biography.asp?id=419771>.

Dad was born April 30, 1930 in Nodaway, Missouri to Willis Henry and Katie (Hollenbach) Bullock. He graduated from the University of Missouri where he received both his Bachelors and Masters Degrees. Dad also attended the University of Arizona where he earned his Doctorate in Agronomy. He was a veteran of the US Navy. He had two careers, both at Farmland Industries and Worlds of Fun. A confirmed bachelor in 1965, when he married my Mother, he became an instant Father with three kids. He was an avid reader of both western genres (Zane Gray was one of his fav's), and he was passionate about romance novels, which we kids thought was pretty cool. His favorite candy was orange slices. Although he said he didn't like dogs... he lied.

Mom and Dad were frequent visitors to Columbia and Sedalia for our music culture, and established many years of friendships with Paula's and my circle of friends. My father gave us all an appreciation of great music, and taught us to think for ourselves. One of his crowning achievements was AA, a feat of which our family is most proud. Although he was not a large man physically, he will always be the Big Man on Campus to us. Our family allowed him to slip into that good night with Grace and Beauty, preserving his Honor and Dignity. My Mother, Alice, and my sib's Becky, Sarah, JT, Hank and I, along with the spouses, the grandkids, and one lonely Pomeranian will miss him.

-- Gale and Paula Bullock, Columbia, MO



"I'm a doin' it right now!"

The caricature is by the Worlds of Fun artist for Dad's retirement party... isn't it Kool?