

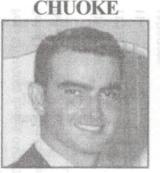
Bob has been in Rotary since 1967. He has been on the board in the past. He was a member, and secretary, of the Board of Clear Creek Independent School District for 10 years. He was president of the Clear Lake Chamber of Commerce in 1965. Bob is a Realtor specializing in commercial real estate and is very encouraged about the long: range potential of the Clear Lake area. He spends some of his spare time at his ranch in the hill country riding and caring for his horses. He has been married 33 years and has 3 grandchildren. Bob hails from Galveston and is a "BOI" (born on the island).

Write up and picture from the March 23, 1987 Blastoff

## ROBERT "BOB" C. CHUOKE, JR.

With great sadness and condolences to his family, we report that former Space Center Rotary Club member of many years, Robert "Bob" C. Chuoke, Jr., passed away Sunday November 23rd at age 79 from complications of multiple myeloma. Many of you will remember Bob, not only as a fellow Rotarian, but as the founder of Clear Lake Realty (originally with offices on NASA Road One &, in recent years, in the log cabin on FM 270, Egret Bay Blvd. in League City). Not knowing other details, I can say that Bob was survived by his children, Robert Chris Chuoke, III, Diane Lee Chuoke and David Lee Chuoke. His wife of many years, Henrietta Sklar Chuoke, died in 1999. For many years, Bob and his family were members of St. Christopher Episcopal Church in League City. That is where we first met. As a practitioner in the area of real estate law, your editor has had many occasions to work with Bob professionally, even on some transactions this year. His ethical standards were of the highest and Bob truly exemplified Rotary in all his endeavors. It is my understanding that, at least for the near future, Bob's son, Chris, who is a respected real estate appraiser with his office at the same location as Bob's, will run the agency. A memorial service will be held on December 1st at 10:00 a.m. at University Baptist Church.

By Billy R. Smith December 1, 2008 Blastoff



Robert C. Chuoke, Jr. died on November 23, 2008 from complications of multiple myeloma. Bob was born on September 20, 1929 in Galveston, the only child of Robert C. Chuoke, Sr. and Robert C. Chuoke, Sr. and Mary Lee Ranieri. Bobby Jr. graduated from Ball High School in 1947, and Wharton County Jr. College in 1950, where he was a member of the National Championship Football Team. From Bob 1951-1953 played football for the University of Houston, distinguishing by being himself named Missouri 1952-1953 All Valley Conference; 1953 All Honorable Mention American and voted the A. H. Ehlers Best All Around Lineman, before graduating with a BBA in Business in 1954. He served in the Army at Fort Hood, before being drafted by the Detroit Lions in 1956. He played one year for the Toronto Beachers. Following his senior season at U of H, Bob played in the annual Blue-Grey Game in Alabama, and was coached by Paul "Bear" Bryant who led the Grey squad that year.

In 1949 at Wharton County Jr. College, Bob met and fell in love with Henriette Sklar, a wholesome Czech girl from East Bernard, TX. After they graduated from U of H, they were married in East Bernard on May 23, 1954. They settled in Galveston and had three children by 1958. In 1963 Bob moved the family to Clear Lake when it was announced that NASA was being developed and in 1964 he founded Clear Lake Realty, Inc. He grew the business to be one of the largest brokerage firms in Clear Lake at that time. Bob was active in the Clear Lake community serving as president of Gulf Coast Board of Realtors; Director, Texas Association Realtors; of president, Clear Lake Area Chamber of Commerce; secretary of the CCISD School Board from 1964-1975; member of Masonic Lodge 1053; and board member of League City Trust Bank & from 1965-2002. Bob was a member of the First Baptist Church of Pasadena and active with his Sunday School class, and a former longtime member of University Baptist Church. In addition to Bob's love of the Lord, family and football, his great passion was for all animals, which led him to serve as director of the Bay Area S.P.C.A., assisting in locating and developing the San Leon facility. Bob was predeceased by his wife of 45 years, sweet Henriette. He is survived by his three children, Robert Chris Chuoke, III and wife, Candy, Diane Chuoke, II and David Chuoke and wife, Ronda, and two grandsons, Robert Chris Chuoke IV and David Henry Chuoke as well as his best canine pal, Prissy. In lieu of the usual remembrances, memorial gifts may be made to Bay Area Pet Adoptions (formerly S.P.C.A.), P.O. Box 638, Kemah TX 77565 or online via bayareapetadoptions.org. Visitation will take place on Sunday, November 30 from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm at Forest Park East Funeral Home. Memorial services will be held on December 1st at 10:00 a.m. at University Baptist Church. Pallbearers are

Les Burton, Johnny Chuoke, Daniel O'Reagan, Charles Pence, Ed Pugh, Bob Scott, Frank Williamson and Wayne Young. Honorary pallbearers are Mitchell Chuoke, Buddy Gillis, Elray Matzke, John Nash, Jack Patterson and Ray Snokhaus.

Forest Park East Funeral Home 21620 Gulf Freeway Webster, Texas 77598

## service held for Robert Chuoke Jr.

By MARY ALYS CHERRY mcherry@hcnonline.com

A memorial service was held Monday, Dec. 1, at University Baptist Church for Clear Lake civic leader Robert C. Chuoke Jr.

The long-time real estate bro-

ker and former president of the Clear Lake Area Chamber died Nov. 23 from the complications of multiple myeloma.

Chuoke, 79,



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moved his family to Clear Lake mention Ail-American in 1953 in 1963 when NASA was devel- and a spot on the Grey Squad at oping the Johnson Space Center the annual Blue-Grey Game in and in 1964 founded Clear Lake Alabama, where he was coached Realty, which became one of the by the legendary Bear Bryant. largest brokerage firms in the area at the time. Over the years he was president of the Gulf Coast Board of Realtors, a director of the Texas Association of Realtors and on the board of the League City Bank & Trust from 1965 to 2002.

He also was elected to the Clear Creek School Board, where he served as secretary. He was a member of Masonic Lodge 1053, a former member of Space Center Rotary and, served as king of the annual Lunar Rendezvous Festival.

Born Sept. 20,1929 in Galve-ston, he graduated from Whar-

ton County Junior College, where he was on its national championship football team.

His play at the University of Houston won him All Missouri Valley Conference honors in 1952 and 1953 and honorable

He also was voted Best Ail-Around Lineman at UH before earning his BBA in Business there in 1954.

After serving in the Army during the Vietnam War, he was drafted by the Detroit Lions in 1956 and played one year for the Toronto Beachers.

His passion for animals led him to serve as director of the Bay Area S.P.C.A., which he assisted in locating and developing in San Leon.

Preceded in death by his wife of 45 years, Henriette, he is survived by three children, Robert Chris Chuoke II and his wife, Candy; Diane Chuoke; and David Chuoke and his wife, Ronda; and two grandsons, RobertG. Chuoke IV and David Henry Chuoke.

Forest Park East in Webster was in charge of arrangements.

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