## Crofoot, Jon R.

Jon Robert "Bob" Crofoot, 74, passed away peacefully Feb. 25, 2010 in Tucson, Ariz. Bob was born Sept. 27, 1935 in Auburn, N.Y. He was the son of the late Neal Page Crofoot and Helen McCue Crofoot.

Bob grew up in Syracuse, N.Y. and graduated from the SUNY College of environmental science and forestry and Syracuse University. On July 18, 1970 Bob married Kathryn "Kay" Krueger of Bad Axe. They lived for many years in Newark Valley, N.Y. and Endicott, N.Y. where Bob was a computer programmer and technical writer for IBM. They became full time residents of SaddleBrooke, Ariz. in 2007.

Known for his colorful personality, Bob was at heart a very kind and gentle man and extremely witty. He enjoyed reading about the latest scientific developments, particularly in space exploration and astronomy. He was a member and former secretary of the SaddleBrooke Skygazers (he called them the "Skygeezers"), and a past president of the IBM Personal Computer Club in Endicott. Bob had a wide range of interests in such diverse fields as painting and drawing, woodworking, rock collecting and geology, cooking, pottery, linguistics, welding, photography, travel, and genealogy. He had an inquiring and creative mind, liked to experiment, and was always thinking of new things to try. Despite serious health problems in recent years, he was able to pursue many of his favorite activities until the end of his life.

Bob is survived by his wife Kay and a sister-in-law, Barbara A. Krueger, of Saginaw, Mich. A memorial service will be conducted at 3 p.m. Tuesday, March 2, at Vistoso Funeral Home, 2285 E. Rancho Vistoso Blvd, Oro Valley, Ariz. Memorials may be made to the American Lung Association. To leave an online condolence, please visit <u>www.vistosofuneralhome.com</u>