



### About Robert Bob Meeks 1940 – 2008

I worked for Globe Volkswagen for a couple of years and decided to move to Phoenix. I worked several years as a mechanic for Volkswagen in Phoenix. In 1970 a friend talked to me about joining the Teamster Union. After much thought I went to the Local and signed up. It was the best thing I could have done. I spent 8 years working for United Metro, (Tanner Companies) as a Heavy Duty Truck Mechanic.



In 1978 I was approached by the Arizona Teamsters Apprenticeship and asked to work for them as a Coordinator and Mechanical Instructor. I was hesitant, as I had never worked in an office atmosphere or taught mechanics. I decided to take the job and have never looked back. After the Executive Secretary of the Apprenticeship retired in 1995 I was promoted to his position. I remained Executive Secretary/Coordinator until I retired in 2003. I worked with many wonderful apprentices and met and worked with Governor Mofford on several projects. I had the good fortune to know and work closely with Chuck Huggins who was head of the AFCIO for many years. He was a great friend. I spent 33 years with the Teamsters, eight as a Mechanic in the field and 25 working for the Apprenticeship.



**I met my wife, Sue, in 1968, while working for Volkswagen. We have been married for 39 years and have two great children, a daughter Tracie and a son Ken. Tracie works for Superlite Building Materials and Ken is a Sales Representative for Vulcan Materials. Ken and I restore and race vintage motorcycles. These days I restore and he races. I have enjoyed restoring vintage automobiles and motorcycles most of my life.**



**We also have two beautiful granddaughters and a terrific grandson. Cadence is 14, Emma will be 11 in December and Jacob will be 9 in September. They have brought a great deal of pride and enjoyment to our lives. Cadence recently spent time in New York on a mission with her church's youth group, working with the "homeless". Ken and wife, Kelly, were chaperones for the trip. It was a very rewarding experience for all.**

**I keep in touch with many friends from Globe and Miami and still visit Globe often.**

**I am looking forward to seeing all of you and reminiscing about our Globe High School days and our lives, then and now. Take care, see you soon.**