



## Dr. Roland E. Roberts

January 3, 1936 - January 19, 2016

LUBBOCK-Dr. Roland E. Roberts, born January 3, 1936 to Frank W. and Mildred B. Roberts in Middletown, Connecticut, died January 19, 2016. He attended the University of Connecticut, the University of Maine, and received his Ph.D. from the University of Missouri.

Dr. Roberts retired as Professor of Horticulture after a distinguished career as Extension Vegetable Specialist for Texas A & M University. During the course of his career, he was the recipient of numerous honors and awards.

Throughout his life, Dr. Roberts was professionally and personally interested in horticulture, and always encouraged others in that pursuit. An active member of the community, he played an early key role in establishing Breedlove Foods, Inc., Lubbock's own vegetable dehydration plant. One of the great loves of his life was the Westwinds Brass Band. As a dedicated member of the band, he played euphonium for well over 20 years. He was also a keen fly fisherman, who strongly advocated for the policy of "catch-and-release." And of course, his addiction to fine fountain pens was well-known.

He is survived by his wife, Kathryn, daughter Lynne and husband George Lemley, son Christopher and wife Catherine, and 2 grandchildren, Jeffrey and Katelyn Lemley.

He was a long-time member of the United Congregational Church (UCC) of

Lubbock. A memorial service for him will be held at the church, 1701 East 10th St. (10th and MLK), Saturday Jan. 23, at 3:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions to Hospice of Lubbock.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JAN **23**. 3:00 PM (CT)

United Congregational Church  
1701 East 10th Streewwt  
Lubbock, TX