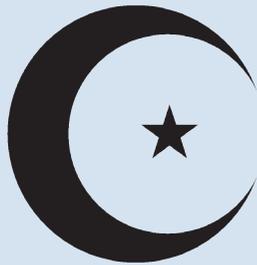


## Will Bob's funeral be a Humanist Ceremony?

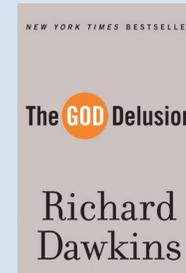
Bob's best friend, Asif, is a practising Muslim and will have a big part to play in the funeral arrangements.



Bob wasn't a wealthy man but he had an expensive sports car. In his will, Bob stated that his car should be sold and the money given to Islamic Relief to help Syrian refugees.



Bob was an enthusiastic atheist for over 20 years! The last book he read was The God Delusion.



Bob's wife, Betty, goes to church every Sunday, but Bob always refused to go.



Bob was actively supported Dignity in Dying. He donated money and campaigned to legalise euthanasia for terminally ill people who wished to end their lives in the UK.

Bob thought that extravagant funerals were a waste of money!



Bob's daughter, Belinda, got married in the local church a couple of years ago, even though she and her husband are also both agnostics.

Bob was a retired RE teacher – he knows the Bible, and religion really well.

Betty, Bob's wife, was very upset when Bob left the church, but she respected his decision.

Bob only ever attended funerals for very close relatives. He hated funerals!



Bob saved really hard to pay for his daughter's dream - a traditional church wedding.



Christmas was Bob's favourite time of year. He went to midnight Mass with Betty every year.



Bob died at the age of 76 and didn't mention funeral arrangements in his will, except to say that his wife Betty and best friend Asif would be in charge of planning it, as they knew him best.

Bob told his daughter, Belinda that he wanted a completely non-religious funeral, but didn't want to upset Betty by discussing it with her.

Bob was interested in Humanism, but never joined a Humanist group or organisation.

Bob refused to go his grandson's christening because he was so strongly opposed to infant baptism and he knew the main reason was to secure a place at the best school in the area, which is a faith school.

Just after he was diagnosed with cancer, Bob did a sponsored bungee jump for charity - his motto in life was 'you only live once!'

Although Bob was an atheist, he still described himself as 'having a spiritual side'.