A Eulogy for Robert D. Trent Delivered at Tabernacle Baptist Church Richmond, Virginia William F. Slater, III February 9, 2012

Bob Left Us

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Bob left us with a great Team.

Bob left us with the will to be winners and succeed.

Bob left us with a sense of accomplishment.

Bob left us all a little better than we were before he brought us into the NwHIN Program.

Bob left us with the memories of a great leader, who was cool, wise, and decisive under pressure.

Bob left us, knowing that everything he had in his hands in was BETTER because he was involved.

Bob left us with a better understanding of Leadership.

Bob left us, knowing that we had delighted the Customer and helped the Department of Veterans Affairs gain considerable ground in its efforts to design and implement the world's best Electronic Health Records Management System.

Note from the Customer about the NwHIN Program

December 22, 2011

As I look back on what we have accomplished this year in the NwHIN Program, I stand in awe of what we have done...what YOU have done.

You should all be proud of the contributions you have made to the expansion of Electronic Health Record sharing, privacy, and security in this past year. We have implemented changes that will go down in history books and sets a precedent for all others to follow. We have contributed to and PROVEN the real benefits of creating interoperable Healthcare systems, standards, and methodologies. Everyone has contributed to this achievement....every little thing, no matter how minute it may have seemed at the time, helped bring this to reality.

You should be proud of what you have done...I know I am proud of what you have done. For that, I give you all accolades! THANK-YOU!

I wish you all a Happy and Safe Holiday Season...please make sure you enjoy it with your family and friends!

PLEASE REDISTRIBUTE TO ANY FOLKS I HAVE MISSED

Thanks,

Brian R Morgan

NwHIN IT Pgm Mgr - VLER, OI&T

US Dept of Veterans Affairs

This is what I wrote about Bob on September 19, 2011:

Anyway, after more than 30 years in the industry, I can tell you that Bob, this Team, and CACI are all uncommonly excellent and have all the necessary ingredients and track record so far, for a successful program that will continue to merit your confidence and the customer's confidence. And it will be something that CACI can use as a blueprint for repeatable successes in the not-too-distant future, if CACI can continue to win contracts like this. Furthermore, Bob is such a strong, excellent leader, with great technical capabilities, experience, vision, integrity, intuition, and people skills, that I would work with Bob in ANY situation (from ditches to donuts), and enjoy it, and feel good about it. Indeed, leaders like Bob are so uncommon that I think they may only come around once in a career, and for me, that once appears to be now. I am extremely grateful for it. There is only one Bob Trent for this time and this Team. We are all blessed to get to work with him and support him. Thank you, Gene, Elliott, and Bob for finding me and providing this rare, extraordinary opportunity at success and service on this amazing program with this high performance Team.

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I am grateful that we had the opportunity to know and work with Bob Trent. I am also grateful that I had the opportunity to write those things about him while he was still with us, so that he clearly understood how strongly we felt about him. And finally, I grateful that Bob had the support, love, and understanding of his family, for I know it was them for which he worked so hard and from whom he drew his strength and inspiration.

God, thank You, for loaning us Bob Trent for as long as we had him here with us. We are all better people for having had Bob as our friend, leader, and family member.