
OBITUARY

Robert (Bob) Gurney

Dr. **Robert (Bob) Gurney**, 63, one of the first City College faculty members to teach an online course, passed away on August 20. Born and raised in Grosse Point Farms, Michigan, Bob earned his BA from the University of Detroit, and an MA and Ph.D. from Michigan State University. He visited San Francisco in 1993 for his 50th birthday and decided that he didn't want to leave the Bay Area. In 1995 he joined the faculty of City College of San Francisco as a part-time instructor teaching Statistics and General Psychology in the Behavioral Sciences Department.

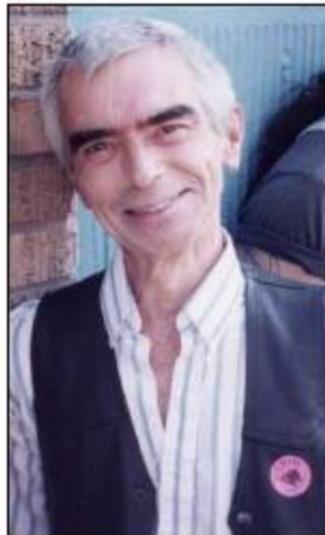


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"Bob Gurney was a leader in the development of online courses at City College of San Francisco. He was the first person in our department to do an online course (in 2002)," said **George Shardlow**, Chair, Behavioral Sciences. "Bob then helped mentor other online instructors." "Bob was one of the best teachers we had," Shardlow continued. "I would often hear comments from students - spontaneously - about what a great instructor he was." In addition, Bob taught an online course for the Gay Lesbian Bisexual Transgender Studies Department.

"Bob's Psychology & GLST classes were always full and turning students away," said **Maureen Brownsey**, immediate past Chair of the GLBT Department. "I'm sure his great wit and empathy was why. A dedicated, good teacher, he was born to teach as a vocation. Being a teacher is both a gift and a talent. Bob was all of the above."

Bob also taught part-time at Dominican College in San Rafael. Funeral arrangements are private.
