IN MEMORY OF
WILLIAM HENRY
HALLIWELL, DVM, PhD

Bill Halliwell, pathologist, educator, scientist, falconer, and devoted family man died December 27, 2013 from complications from multiple myeloma. He was born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania on October 15, 1939. His early childhood was spent in York County, PA and his later childhood was divided between PA and Pompano Beach, Florida.

He studied Civil Engineering at UF, Gainesville, and was involved in the construction of the first 17th Street Causeway and the East Los Olas bridges in Fort Lauderdale. He graduated from the College of Veterinary Medicine at Auburn University in 1964 and briefly entered general practice in Garner, NC before joining the USAF in 1965. He was initially assigned as the base veterinarian at the United States Air Force Academy near Colorado Springs, CO, and was later involved in teaching physiology, embryology, and comparative anatomy to cadets applying to medical school. He was in charge of the Falcon Mascot program and supervised the care and flying of the falcons at football games. He was part of the first organized efforts to rehabilitate injured birds of prey in the Rocky Mountain region. Dr. Halliwell served as a military courier, which took him to Laos and Vietnam and other parts of the world during the Vietnam War.

After he left the military, he completed a residency and PhD in Comparative Pathology at the University of Missouri, and remained there as an associate professor, teaching in the Colleges of Medicine, Veterinary Medicine, and the Ellis Fischel State Cancer Hospital. While there, he initiated the first raptor rehabilitation program in the Midwest. Dr. Halliwell moved to Fort Collins, CO and started Westpath Laboratories, which was dedicated to providing toxicological pathology expertise to the pharmaceutical and environmental industries. As a result of some of his work, the federal government placed a warning on gasoline pumps stating that the “inhalation of gasoline fumes have produced tumors in laboratory animals”. He later joined Hoffman LaRoche as Director of Pathology and was instrumental in developing one of the first drugs against HIV, and then joined Schering Plough Research Institute, where he participated in the presentation of Ioratadine (Claritin) to the FDA for approval, and was involved in the development of cholesterol lowering drugs, including Zetia and Vytorin. He has over 75 publications in peer reviewed journals and has written chapters in four books.

He and his wife Nancy retired to Boca Raton, FL in 2005 and moved to Stuart, FL in 2009 so that he could pursue his hobbies of boating and watching wildlife around and within the Florida waterways. He is survived by his wife, Nancy, his daughter Andrea (husband Tom), his son Michael (wife Michele), and five beautiful grandchildren.

HE MAINTAINED A LIFELONG INTEREST IN THE PROPAGATION AND REHABILITATION OF BIRDS OF PREY.
Bill was part of the first organized efforts to rehabilitate injured birds of prey in the Rocky Mountain region. He also initiated the first raptor rehabilitation program in the Midwest.