

# ***Robert G. Beaumont***

## **1932 - 2011**

**Robert G. Beaumont, Sr.** of Columbia, MD died at home on Monday, October 24, 2011. Bob was born in Tea Neck, NJ on April 1, 1932. He joined the US Air Force in 1950 and served his country well. After his discharge, he moved to Kingston, NY and started his career as a Chrysler Plymouth Dealer.

In the mid-1960's Beaumont had the epiphany that led him to become the largest manufacturer of electric cars in the later part of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. In 1974 the all electric CitiCar began rolling out of the factory, and within a year Beaumont's **Sebring-Vanguard Vehicles** became the sixth-largest auto manufacturer in the country. By the end of the 1970's and well into the 1980's Bob had become active in the politics surrounding the EV industry in this country, opening the way for EV's today.

In the mid 1990's Beaumont had one more shot at his electric dream car with **Renaissance Cars** and the all electric **Tropica**. After moving to Columbia, MD he never lost his dream to have millions of Americans driving electric cars.

Bob Beaumont leaves behind his wife, **Loretta**; five children, **Marc, Robert, Jr., Steven, Dina,** and **Matthew** along with eleven grand children.

A prayer service will be held on Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at **Saint John's Roman Catholic Church** at the Wilde Lake Interfaith Center, 10431 Twin Rivers Road in Columbia, MD and a funeral mass will be said at the same location on Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 AM.



Dina Beaumont driving her father Bob around in a CitiCar owned by Rich Neubauer.

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**Bob Beaumont** flanked by his daughter **Dina** and owners of the CitiCars he built at the **2009 International Gathering of C-Car Owners**