

Robert 'Bob' Geoffrey Fielding was born in Hobart on 11 December 1947. He completed his secondary education at Savio College (later renamed Dominic College). Before entering the Army as a National Serviceman he was employed as a Police Officer in Tasmania. He had been deferred for NS in order to complete a Police posting in Cyprus. Whilst at OTU Bob reached the rank of Under Officer as a Company Sergeant Major. On graduation with Class 4/70 Bob was, naturally, allocated to the Royal Australian Army Provost Corps and posted to the Royal Australian Army Provost School. From there he was posted to 4 SIS (Special Investigation Service) in Canberra. Post National Service Bob served in the CMF for a short time. It is understood that he had a prominent career in the Tasmanian Police Force, including time in the motorcycle unit, and that he had a key role in the resolution of the Port Arthur massacre.

In recent years Bob was a regular attendee at the Tasmanian lunches. Wal Hall presented the Scheyville Prize to Bob's son on his graduation from RMC. The Fieldings are unique in this regard.

Robert 'Bob' Fielding passed away unexpectedly on 15 June following complications from heart surgery. A Cremation Service was held for Bob at the Norwood Crematorium, Canberra, on Wednesday 20 June.

Photo: Bob Fielding 2nd from the left.