



"Hank" E. Bruining

September 21, 1951 - December 5, 2014

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Henry "Hank" E. Bruining, 63, of South Boston, VA, on December 5, 2014. Hank was admired and respected by all who knew him. He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, a devout Christian, and an active supporter of local education associations. He leaves behind his wife, Marilyn, four children, seven grandchildren, three sisters, and countless friends, to mourn him.

Hank was born and raised in Maywood, NJ, where he met the love of his life, Marilyn, his bride of 42 years. Hank and Marilyn shared an extraordinary life together and their marriage served as a beautiful example for their children and grandchildren. For the past 12 years he worked as the Senior HR Manager for the Dollar General Corporation in South Boston. In addition, he was an active member of the community, serving on the Board of Directors for the Tri-County Community Action Agency and the Halifax Public Schools Education Foundation. His commitment to education was also evident through his work with the Volunteer Literacy and Workforce Training Programs of the Southern Virginia Higher Education Center. Above his civic service, was Hank's abiding love for and deep faith in Jesus Christ. He was an enthusiastic member and former elder at Faith Community Church of South Boston.

Hank's greatest joy was his treasured family. He is survived by his wife, Marilyn; his sisters, Elizabeth Arruda and husband Bruce, Wilma Bruining and husband Scott Chase, and

Anne Mi Ok Bruining; his children, Matthew Bruining and wife Amy, Melissa Teeter and husband Michael, Nicholas Bruining and wife Kathryn, and Samuel Bruining and wife Carey; and his grandchildren, Jack, Adah, Benjamin, Noah, Madeline, Katelyn, and Caleb. In heaven he is now reunited with his parents, Nicholas and Elizabeth Bruining; his mother-in-law, Minnie DeVries; and his daughter, Jennifer.

A funeral service to memorialize Hank is scheduled for Friday, December 12, 2014, at 11:00 am at Grace Baptist Church, 1058 Buckshoal Rd., Virgilina, VA, followed by a private graveside interment. The family will receive visitors immediately before the service at 9:30 am. A reception following the service will be held at Faith Community Church. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations be made to the Benevolent Fund at Faith Community Church and the Halifax Public Schools Education Foundation.

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Tribute Wall

FT

“ Matt & Amy - I'm so sorry to hear about Matt's dad. My father died in July and so I understand the pain of such a big loss. I'll be sending you healing thoughts as you grieve and remember your father.

Frankie Tack - December 15, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DY

“ Matt, and Amy I'm so sorry for your loss.
Will keep you and your family in my prayers.
Deepest Condolences,

Delois Young - December 12, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GJ

“ Matt and Amy - It's never easy to lose a family member, but especially around Christmas. I lost a brother and a sister the last 2 Christmases; and I send my heartfelt sympathies to you and the rest of your families. May God's grace and mercy continue to bless you, Mrs. Bruining, and the rest of your families. Wishing you God's peace and protection as you travel and throughout 2015. Gerrie.

Gerrie J - December 11, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Hank was a wonderful man and it was an honor to know and work with him. He will be sadly missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Linda Hall - December 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TO

“ Our prayers and sympathy are with you during this time. May your faith and your memories help you during the days ahead. We love you and will be praying for you. Love Ron and Teresa Odom

Teresa and Ron Odom - December 09, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BA

“ On behalf of the students, staff, and partners at the Southern VA Higher Education Center, please accept our heartfelt condolences. Hank was our hero.

Betty Adams - December 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ My heart is broken, such a sweet gentleman, Hank. God be with you Marilyn and your children and bless you with the peace that only God can give. We will miss him and his wonderful friendship, but by the Grace of God we know where Hank is today. Love to you and your family.

Ann and Mark Glasscock - December 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ "You have kept count of my tossings; put my tears in your bottle. Are they not in your book?" -Psalm 56:8

maretta - December 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Matt & Amy,

I am sorry to hear of Matt's dad passing. I know this is a difficult time for your family and You all our in my thoughts. If I can do anything for you please let me know.

Larry Bjorson

Larry bjorson - December 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ Marilyn&Family,my heart goes out to you,so sorry to hear about Hank,he was so nice.My prayers and thoughts are with you at this time,may God Bless you and comfort you. Sarah Pleasants

Sarah Pleasants - December 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Bathing you all in prayer during this very difficult time. May Our God of Understanding give you Peace & Comfort. We all love YOU ALL!!!

Joanne Marlowe, Timothy Marlowe, Cody Marlowe, & Livvie Marlowe -
December 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

FR

“ I'm so sorry he was a wonderful and caring man I was so blessed to know him

Fernanda Rego - December 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *Marilyn and Family,
Hank was a wonderful man. His name was spoken a lot in the
Chandler home. We are so glad that James was able to get to know
Hank over the years at Dollar General. He will miss him. We will
keep your family in our thoughts and prayers not only now but in the
days, weeks and months ahead. God Bless all of you.*

James and Kim Chandler

James and Kimberly Chandler - December 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM