



Bruce A. Burnham

September 15, 1944 - May 15, 2020

Hampton – Bruce A. Burnham, 75, of Hampton and formerly of Lawrence, MA, passed away suddenly at his home on Friday, May 15, 2020. Bruce was born September 15, 1944 in Lawrence, MA, a son of the late Lena M. Torromeo and Richard Burnham. He shared over 30 years of marriage with his beloved wife and best friend, Christine (Costello) Burnham of Hampton.

Bruce was loved by a wide circle of family and friends, and was known to everyone as a magnanimous, kind-hearted person. He went out of his way to help strangers and loved-ones throughout his life and had a unique way of making everyone that he met feel special. Since fulfilling his dream of moving to the beach, he was happiest socializing with old and new friends.

Bruce was raised in Lawrence and graduated from Lawrence High with the Class of 1962. He raised his family in Andover, MA and worked for his uncle in the construction business for a few years. He then worked as a route salesman for Best Foods of Totowa, NJ until his retirement in 2001. He and Christine were married in 1989 and the couple settled in Windham, NH. They then relocated to Hampton from Windham in 2011. Bruce never wanted to stop working. His dream retirement job of owning and operating a hot dog business came true when he opened Jose Hot Dog in Pelham, NH, which he ran for over six years. Since then, Bruce has worked as a Rockingham County Bailiff and held several semi-retirement jobs, most recently as a driver for

Hampton Ford.

In addition to his wife Christine, Bruce is survived by his daughters, Lori Burnham of Salem, NH and Amy Theriault and her husband Eric of Scituate, MA; his step-daughter Hilary Glynn of Newton, MA and his step-son, Michael Wald and his wife Miho of Long Valley, NJ. He also leaves his ten grandchildren: Peter, Jr. and Alexis LeFebre; Mason, Katelin and Kelly Theriault; Ryan, Connor, and Christina Glynn and Hana and Eri Wald.

Bruce is also survived by his nephew, Michael Burnham, and his niece, Tricia Burnham Lindquist.

He was predeceased by his brother, Michael F. Burnham.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 AM on Saturday, May 15, 2021 at Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 289 Lafayette Rd., Hampton. Burial will follow in the High Street Cemetery, Hampton. Masks are mandatory and social distancing must be maintained. The Mass will be livestreamed at www.olmmparish.org.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to the New Hampshire Food Bank or the Boys & Girls Club of Lawrence, MA.

Cemetery Details

High Street Cemetery

150 High Street
Hampton, NH

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

MAY 15. 10:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church
289 Lafayette Road
Hampton, NH

Tribute Wall



“ *Bruce A. Burnham*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *hi, bruce was a great man and knew him since i was 18 years old.met him at a mikes house in salem,i was allways welcome in both of there hearts to visit any old time.alway texted at holidays,etc.never forgot him.i will miss him greatly.john naylor.*

john r naylor - August 12, 2020 at 10:04 AM



“ *Christine...we have all lost a good friend but God has called home a good angel. David sends his love and a big hug for you. He was very depressed to hear about Bruce, and he'll miss his humor and friendship. Lean on your friends and loved ones during this time and know I am only down the hall or a phone call away! Love...Gene and David*

Gene SCHNEIDER - May 23, 2020 at 12:03 PM



“ *My deepest sympathy to the Burnham family. Bruce and I go back 60 years or more, hanging around Lawrence High, and Tower Hill. I will never forget the good times we shared together. May your good memories bring you comfort. Fondly, Michael Perrault*

michael perrault - May 22, 2020 at 07:29 PM

GM

“ Christine So very sorry for your loss Bruce was a GREAT person and will be sadly missed. Remembering the beautiful gift he was to so many . Especially when He,Brother Mike and Danny visited me while recouping from surgery in Fla. and was so amazed by picking fresh grapefruit for our drinks.also for the laughs at the Windham restaurant the four of us had. Will miss him greatly. GUS & JOYCE MESSINEO

Gus & Joyce Messineo - May 22, 2020 at 09:42 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Bruce A. Burnham.



May 21, 2020 at 12:55 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Bruce A. Burnham.



May 21, 2020 at 07:39 AM

TK

“ The Khuri-Trapper's purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Bruce A. Burnham.



The Khuri-Trapper's - May 20, 2020 at 08:57 PM

JP

“ Sorry for your loss,Christine. Bruce was always fun to be with and always made you feel special. He will be missed. Bob and Joyce Peacock

joyce peacock - May 20, 2020 at 05:46 PM

SM

“ A beautiful person.If he liked you,you were a friend for life.Always had a smile,always told it like it was.Rest comfortably my friend,we'll be looking for you when we get there.

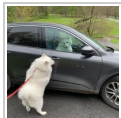
Steve and Patty Mckallagat - May 20, 2020 at 03:41 PM



“ Kaye Surman sent a virtual gift in memory of Bruce A. Burnham



Kaye Surman - May 20, 2020 at 12:45 PM



Thank you Bruce Burnham, for making my Aunt Christine so incredibly happy, loved and laughing for so many years!

Kaye Surman - May 20, 2020 at 12:51 PM

JS

“ Sorry for your loss. Bruce was a good from Tower Hill.
Joe Sipsev.

Joe Sipsev - May 20, 2020 at 11:50 AM

WL

“ With much love, Vin and Linda purchased the Full Heart for the family of Bruce A. Burnham.



With much love, Vin and Linda - May 20, 2020 at 09:25 AM

BB

“ Bill and Dylan and Debbie Bell purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Bruce A. Burnham.



Bill and Dylan and Debbie Bell - May 19, 2020 at 07:55 PM

RS

“ Christine, I am so sorry. We made a donation to the NH Food Bank in Bruce's name.

There is a lot of love coming from the South and through Kingston for you ❤️



Robin Shafa - May 19, 2020 at 05:58 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Bruce A. Burnham.



May 19, 2020 at 02:26 PM

BB

“ *My all-time greatest, enduring, and kindest friend. Miss you so much with sadness and shock. Joined at the hip and heart since pre-teen years this is a sad, sad time. Christine, your love and friendship for Bruce is so endearingly deep and beautiful. My deepest condolences to you and your family.*

Bill Bell - May 19, 2020 at 02:03 PM

KS

All of the "Wallnuts will sadly miss Bruce and his funny stories and his great talent for telling them. He was a kind and considerate man. Rest in Peace BRuce...hugs Karen Sullivan

karen Sullivan - May 20, 2020 at 12:10 PM

CA

“ *Lori I am so sorry for your loss. Losing a parent is especially difficult. My heart thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

Christina Andreoli-LeFebre - May 19, 2020 at 12:14 PM

CA

“ *Christine, We are incredibly sad to hear about Bruce's passing. I always loved seeing you two together. Your love for each other and friendship was beautiful. I will truly miss Bruce's smile and big hugs. We are all here for you.*

With love and prayers, Cathy and Brad

Cathleen - May 19, 2020 at 10:22 AM

DS

*Christine,
Thinking of you and your family. Bruce was real nice to us when we moved to Appleton Oaks. Will miss his smile we are praying for you and are in our Hearts!! Don and Sandy*

Don and Sandy - May 20, 2020 at 08:02 PM

LM

“ Dear Christine and family, I am so sorry for your loss. My heart breaks for you. Bruce was a good man. He finally found his love with you Christine. He will be missed. Prayers for you and your family. Love, Linda Marconi

Linda Marconi - May 19, 2020 at 10:02 AM

GI

“ Dear Christine and family. Our hearts are so saddened by the passing of Bruce. He was a great friend and entertainer. We will miss seeing him at GH and at our back yard cookouts. Please know we are here for you at any time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Rest in peace Bruce.



With Love,
Gina & Rich McLaughlin

Gina - May 19, 2020 at 08:40 AM

JB

Bruce was a kind sole. Met them at a local restaurant. Great people. With respect and love. Diana Bird

Joseph and Diana Bird - May 19, 2020 at 09:02 AM

LS

Dear Chris and Family,

He was a true gentleman and a wonderful family man. He will be missed.

Our "99" get together's will not be the same without him.

Love
Gail Kelley

Lyn E Stanton - May 19, 2020 at 06:43 PM

JA

*Christine,
My heart goes out to especially You and All of Bruce's family and dear friends. So sad to learn of Your lost. The lost of your very best friend and husband.
I am so blessed to have met the both of you.
God Bless,
Janellen*

janellen - June 20, 2020 at 07:37 PM

SC

*“ Dear Christine and children
My heart breaks for you all that Bruce has been taken by our Lord so unexpectedly. He was such a kind, gentle soul...I remember him when Chris and I worked at Oliver school and he gave us goodies at the end of the week....He loved his dear wife and children. May his memory always be in your hearts
Sincerely
Sandra (Houreas) Calado*



Sandra G Calado - May 18, 2020 at 08:28 PM



*“ Christine,

Our hearts go out to you at this devastating time. We're sending love and prayers to both you and Bruce...such a wonderful guy. We'll miss him at the Hatch. Keep your memories close to your heart.*

*With love,
Paula & George Privé*

Paula Privé - May 18, 2020 at 06:42 PM