



Bruce A. Barnes

September 26, 1933 - May 13, 2024

Bruce Ashley Barnes passed away at Seabrook Village in Tinton Falls, NJ on May 13, 2024. Bruce was born in the Bronx, NY in 1933 to Thomas Barnes and Rachel Loughren Barnes, of Montreal, Canada. Soon after their marriage, they settled in New York to start their family. While there, Bruce attended PS 83 in Bronx, NY graduating in 1947. He graduated in 1951 from Hicksville High School in Hicksville, Long Island, where he played football. One of his favorite high school memories to share was when he played games at Weehawken Stadium, situated above the Lincoln Tunnel. He also had fond memories of attending summer camp and, eventually, becoming a camp counselor in Liberty, NY.

In 1953, Bruce joined the Army and was assigned to Company A of the 701st Armored Battalion, stationed in Fort Hood, TX. It was there, working on radio communication systems, that he discovered his career path in electronics. After leaving the Army, he used his GI bill to attend the Agricultural and Technical College in Farmingdale, NY, graduating in 1957. He also played football for the Aggies.

In 1958 he married Barbara Cruess, who he met while lifeguarding on Jones Beach. They relocated to New Jersey, where Anne and Glenn were born. He started his career at Bell Labs in Parsippany and continued his education in night school at Fairleigh Dickinson University. He graduated from there in 1967 with a Bachelors in Science. In 1978, he married his second wife, Anna Rose Savasta. They met while they were both dining at the Holiday Inn on 46.

During his long career, he worked for various companies that included Hewett Packard and Computer Automation. He then started his own company, Advanced Micropower, with his second wife, Anna Rose.

Many will remember Bruce for his lifelong love of football. After he stopped playing, he became a superstar Giants fan. He was a season ticket holder and enjoyed tailgating before games with a great group of other fans, even in the coldest weather. During the spring, he would switch over to watching his other favorite team, the Yankees. Bruce also enjoyed sailing. He participated in regattas with an Old Town canoe that he retrofitted with a sail.

After retiring, he relocated to Toms River, NJ and enjoyed sailing his sail boat that he docked outside his condo. He also volunteered at the Toms River Seaport Society, where he could combine his love for sailing and his hobby of wood working. After relocating to Seabrook Village in Tinton Falls, NJ, Bruce continued his woodworking hobby by actively volunteering in the wood shop at Seabrook. Bruce also loved traveling and the visits he would get from his grandchildren in the summer. One of his favorite ways of spoiling his grandchildren during visits was giving them each ten dollars to buy ten things at the dollar tree. He didn't even mind when they would take an hour to pick out the perfect toys and snacks. Bruce was a parishioner at Trinity Church of Asbury Park, NJ.

Bruce was preceded in death by his son, Glenn Barnes, his sister, Marion Galke Clemmer, and his nephew, Warren Galke. He is survived by his wife, Anna Rose, his daughter, Anne (Wendy), his grandchildren, Marjorie (Kendrick), and Jo, along with his great grandchildren, Ayanna, Catalina, and Gianna. He is also survived by his nieces and nephews, Doug (Mary), Donna (Jeff), and Wayne (Candy), his great nieces and nephews, Ben (Mary Kate), Christina (Jay), Thomas, Tyler, and William, and his great, great nieces and nephews.

A memorial service with military honors will be held at 2 PM on Thursday May 23 in the Garden Room at the Gardens in Seabrook Village, Tinton Falls, NJ.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY 23. 2:00 PM (ET)

Garden Room at the Gardens Seabrook Village
3000 Essex Road
Tinton Falls, NJ, NJ

Tribute Wall

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“ Our family has many fond memories of our favorite Uncle Bruce. Family get togethers, celebrations, sailing on Barnegat Bay, special visits to see us when we lived in Palo Alto, CA, Whitney Point, NY, and our homes in NC. We will always cherish our many photographs of Bruce. Sending peaceful thoughts and prayers to everyone. Doug and Mary Galke



Doug and Mary Galke - May 20, 2024 at 01:14 PM

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“ Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Bruce A. Barnes



Bongarzone Funeral Home - May 17, 2024 at 11:23 PM