



Benny Bruce Howard

May 30, 1943 - February 20, 2018

Benny Bruce Howard, 74, of Sherrills Ford, NC, passed away on Tuesday, February 20, 2018 at Sherrills Ford Hospice House. He was born on May 30, 1943 in Dixon, Illinois to the late Benny Eston Howard and Naomi White Howard Reglin. In addition to his parents, Benny is preceded in death by step-father and friend, Floyd Reglin; sisters, Ann Lorraine Dawson (Howard) and Sandra Jean Howard. He is survived by his loving wife Marilyn E. Howard; children; Angela Brunen (Brian), Benny J. Howard; grandson, Cohen and many loving nieces and nephews. He graduated from Dixon High School in 1961 and Southern Illinois University in 1967 with an Engineering Degree. His engineering career took him to various companies in his career such as Marion Lab, Nice Pak, SenMed that led into Johnson & Johnson and Rock Tenn. He and his wife retired to North Carolina on Lake Norman in Sherrills Ford where he enjoyed boating and relaxation by spending time with family and the Friday Night Group. Ben was loved by lifelong friends and family for his wit and integrity. He served in the United States Army from 1967 to 1969 which included a year in Vietnam as a Huey Helicopter Crew Chief. There are so many to thank for their care, love and support before, during, and after his Bilateral Lung Transplant due to IPF. To his children, Ben J., Angie and husband, Brian who were always there with love and laughter. No job was too difficult for them to take on. Special thanks to brother-in-law's, Dick, Dale and sister-in-law, Nancy, and their families for always being there. Special friends were always near and dear even if they were miles away or just around the

corner. To the friends and Vets from Richard's Coffee Shop, who brought many stories and laughter. Thanks to Pastor Josh Eller and the congregation for their ongoing prayers and support, to the staff at Duke Medical Center, Dr. J Reynolds, Coordinator Jennifer Spivey and the entire Duke Transplant team, Dr. Naomi Simon, Dr. Williford, Catawba Regional Hospice where Linda, Lynn, Meg and Jenny were always ready to serve, the caring staff of Bayada who were there for us in any capacity to help with Ben's care, Pharmacist George and Mike at Rite Aide for their excellent care and support during the past nine years, the Outpatient Lab Techs at Lake Norman, Donna and Seta who were always there with a smile and a hug. Special praise for the staff at Salisbury VA who served us in every capacity with professionalism and care. A memorial Service will be held on Monday, February 26, 2018 at 11:00 AM at Cavin-Cook Funeral Home Chapel with full military honors. The family will receive friends prior to the service from 10:00 – 11:00 AM at the funeral home. There will be a reception following the service in the Heritage House of Cavin-Cook Funeral Home. From 12:00 (Noon) - 2:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Duke Transplant Fund, 710 W. Main Street, Suite 200, Durham, NC 27701, Richard's Coffee Shop, 165 N Main Street, Mooresville, NC 28115, Vietnam Veterans of America, 8719 Colesville Road, Suite 100, Silver Spring, MD 20910 or Catawba Regional Hospice, 7473 Sherrills Ford Road, Sherrills Ford, NC 28673. Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Howard family. Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Benny Bruce Howard*

February 14, 2021 at 11:24 AM



“ *Benny Bruce Howard*

February 14, 2021 at 11:04 AM



“ *Benny Bruce Howard*

February 14, 2021 at 11:03 AM



“ *Dear Marilyn, I was so sorry to learn of Bennys death. He was a really great guy and we had a lot of fun in High School. I can't even imagine how much you will miss him. Just keep holding on to all those good memories of and with him. Sincerely, Melanie (Heckman) Stonecipher*

.Melanie Stonecipher - March 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *Benny and I and Jimmy Hill hung out a lot in 7th grade into HS. A lot of good times. Always enjoyed brief talks at class reunions. Sorry for your loss. Bill Thompson Class of 61*

Bill Thompson - February 27, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ Marilyn, so sorry for your loss sending prayers of comfort your way
John and Darlene

February 25, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ Marilyn, so sorry for your loss. We will miss him. Classmate 1961.
Dick Shank and wife Ellie.

February 24, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ Marilyn So sorry to hear of your loss. If we can help in any way we
are available.

Barbara Rosengrant - February 24, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ Aunt Marilyn, Angie and BJ: This isn't going to as we found out 5
years ago. Take solace in the good times, the laughs, the happy
memories as that what made Uncle Benny the man we loved. My
sincere sympathies

Dan Van Hefty - February 23, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ Ben Howard, your soul and spirit have taken a new path in God's
universe. Your compassion, kindness, and humor have touched
countless lives, and will never be forgotten. Fried turkeys, a glass of
wine, and that distinctive smile will always be in our memories. You
have left an indelible mark on all who have known you. May God fly
your six throughout eternity.

Dennis & Jan Gregg - February 23, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Marilyn, I was so sorry to hear about your husband's death. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Hugs and blessings. Jill Overcash*

Jill Overcash - February 22, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I wish I could put into words how I feel, but I'm at a lose. Ben and I shared a lot of good times that I will never forget.*

Jack Cramer - February 22, 2018 at 12:00 AM