



Bruce Davidson

March 13, 1934 - January 11, 2023

Bruce Davidson
Pickens, South Carolina

Bruce Davidson, 88, loving husband of 67 years to Sally Davidson, passed away on Wednesday, January 11, 2023, at his home.

A native of Logan County, West Virginia Bruce was born March 13, 1934, son of the late Bruce Davidson Sr. and Udora Davidson. Mr. Davidson was a member of Red Hill Baptist Church in Pickens. He enjoyed coon hunting and spending time with his family.

Survivors include his wife, Sally Davidson; his children, Keith Davidson (Delores) of Pickens, Tammy Crocker (Jim) of Dothan, AL, and Tricia Still (Anthony) of Pickens; grandchildren, Chad, Brian, Todd, Shellie, Heather Gail, and Anslie; great-grandchildren, Caleb, Cameron, Spencer, Presslie, Savannah, Wells, Bricks, and Burns; and a great-great-grandchild, Emery.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Davidson was predeceased by a son, Michael Davidson.

Graveside services will be held at 3:00 PM on Friday, January 13, 2023, in Red Hill Baptist Church Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Bruce's honor may be made to Red Hill Baptist Church, 558 Red Hill Rd, Pickens, SC 29671.

Mountain View Funeral Home – Pickens Chapel is serving the Davidson family.

Cemetery Details

Red Hill Baptist Church Cemetery

558 Red Hill Road
Pickens, SC 29671

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JAN 13. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MT

“ In early November 1984 I made my way to Georgia to report to plant Vogel for what was supposed to be a Field assignment of 90 days. That was 39 years ago. I was 24 years old. The 90 days turned into 3 years

I met Bruce a couple of days after reporting for work. My supervisor Guy Wilkins introduced us. That was fourteen thousand, two hundred and forty-four days ago, give or take. Most of my best days were still ahead of me.

In the fall of 1986 Bruce and I were transferred to an area of the plant where we shared an office and I am lucky to say this gave me a chance to get to know Bruce better. One time the “higher ups” asked us what they could do to make things better. So I answered them - and they were none too happy.

Bruce smiled and told me my momma did me a disservice. She taught me to tell the truth. Bruce explained that the “higher ups” did not really want to know how to make things better, they wanted us to tell them they were already doing things “just right”. It was great advice and I have recalled it from time to time throughout my career.

As I got to know Bruce over the next three years I would learn that he was right in the middle of his best years. He spoke of his family frequently and I had the pleasure of being invited to his home in Sylvania a number of times and met each one of them.

Bruce also told me that if anyone should ask I should tell them I was from Alabama (because Alabama was the best place to be from). Well, I don't sound like I'm from Alabama because I grew up a little bit north of there but I took Bruce's advice. Funny thing was the first person who asked me where I was from was Bruce's daughter. I think she said “Are you from Alabama” and I just said “that's right” just like Bruce told me to and he got quite a laugh out of that.

Another thing he told me was that if anyone asked me if I like grits

my answer should be (I love grits) and this was great advice too.

Bruce told me a little bit about his childhood. He said one of his favorite things to do in the summer was to go fishing. Each morning his momma would make biscuits and grits. Before he went off fishing she would fry up some grits and put them in a biscuit and wrap it all up in wax paper for his lunch. He told me he was always very happy heading off for a day of fishing with his lunch in his pocket like that. I always thought what could be a more perfect memory of childhood than that.

I spent 1095 days at Vogel, give or take. The ones where Bruce and I worked side by side were some of the best.

I asked him one time how he came to hire people from across the country like myself without knowing very much about them. He told me he picked me out of a pile of applicants because I had a funny name. And I went to college for Environmental studies and he wanted to see what someone like that looks like.

I left Georgia in late 1987 and did not see Bruce again for about ten years. In the late 1990's I reached out and paid a visit to Pickens, SC. We had a great day visiting. Bruce showed me his smoker (biggest one I ever saw) and how the neighborhood would turn out when he roasted Venison or a Boar.

We spoke from time to time after that but I can say now that it was not often enough. Now that I am close to retirement I can say some of my best years are behind me. I can also say that in some very important ways Bruce influenced my career and I am happy to report it has been a good one.

I think the measure of a man is in part how he will be remembered. I want to assure you I will have nothing but fond memories and a gratefulness to a man I got to know who helped me have some very good days in more ways than he might have imagined.

All my Best

Bon Voyage Bruce

Mark Tschirch

Mark Tschirch - January 31, 2023 at 12:42 PM

WS

“ *Walt & Judy Stephens lit a candle in memory of Bruce Davidson*



Walt & Judy Stephens - January 18, 2023 at 09:55 AM

JH

“ *Trish and family*

So sorry to read about the loss of your Dad 🙏🙏🙏 God Bless

Janis Holcombe

Janis Holcombe - January 14, 2023 at 05:10 PM

TB

“ *I am so sorry for your loss, your family is in my prayers.*



TINA BEARDEN - January 13, 2023 at 08:49 AM

MS

“ My prayers are for Sally and the family. I knew of Bruce, Sally and Keith only because I cared for them for so many years. This family is so dear to my hear. Bruce had the most warm hugs and he'd say hey gal first thing. I will be praying for the family.

Mansy Stock - January 12, 2023 at 05:36 PM



“ Wonderful memories of a great man. He was like my 2nd dad. Ms. Sally, comforting prayers to you and the rest of the family. I know y'all will miss him. May GOD continue to Bless each of you! He was the best boss I ever had! I just wish I could have visited him one more time. Love y'all & GOD bless.



Carey Walls - January 12, 2023 at 01:54 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Bruce Davidson.



January 12, 2023 at 07:27 AM

MP

“ So, sorry for your loss. You all are in my thoughts and prayers.
Meredith Perry

Meredith Perry - January 11, 2023 at 08:24 PM

SP

“ You're in our thoughts and prayers at this time. We hope you always hold onto the warm and wonderful memories you shared, and that they continue to bring you comfort and peace. Our deepest sympathies.

Mark, Aidan and Stacy Perry

Stacy Perry - January 11, 2023 at 08:18 PM

GW

“ So Sad to hear of Bruce's passing.He was a Great Man that loved his Family and will be dearly missed.I first met Bruce in the Summer of 1975 at the Farley Nuclear Plant in Ashford Alabama.I will say Bruce was very influential in my life.He took me under his wing and taught me how to handle Things to ensure my life would be better. Now if I talked about all the Great Things and Times we shared I would be on here for hours!!! RIP Bruce 🙏🙏🙏

Guy Wilkins - January 11, 2023 at 06:39 PM

MA

“ Michael Anthony lit a candle in memory of Bruce Davidson



Michael Anthony - January 11, 2023 at 05:12 PM