



Everett W. Bruce

February 20, 1936 - February 12, 2019

1936-2019

Everett William Bruce, affectionately known as “Bunky”, was born February 20, 1936 in Wilmington, Delaware. He was one of six children born to Bannister and Mae Bruce. He received his formal education in Wilmington at Howard High School where he was part of the debate team, basketball team, and many other organizations. He graduated with honors in the Spring of 1954. Everett also sang baritone vocals and performed on street corners with a local doo-wop group.

After high school Everett enlisted in the Air Force in 1957 where he served six years, and was stationed in Germany and Japan eventually being stationed at Lowery AFB in Denver, CO. While in Denver, Everett owned and operated several small business where he excelled as a savvy salesman. It is said that he could sell a fur coat to a polar bear.

He later reenlisted in the Air National Guard in 1988, which brought him to Albuquerque, NM where he was stationed at Kirtland AFB.

After retiring from the Air National Guard, Everett went on to complete his Associates degree at Albuquerque TVI where he also worked as an Instructional Technician.

He went on to retire from TVI, and then took on other hobbies and responsibilities including being a Docent (volunteer) at the Albuquerque Museum of Natural History. Everett lived in Los Lunas in the same house for 28 years.

Everett had quite a few hobbies, he loved to build and paint model airplanes, trains, and classic

cars where he proudly displayed them in a dedicated room. He enjoyed road trips and sightseeing with his family where a history lesson was guaranteed at each location that was visited. He was an avid golfer and thoroughly enjoyed playing and instructing. He was a man who knew no strangers, everyone he met was a friend. He loved to laugh and make people laugh with him. He enjoyed hanging out with his family and friends, and had a way of making people feel comfortable around him.

Along with his witty sense of humor, crazy dance sessions, and breakout concerts, he had a positive impact on people and all of them shared the same thought, "he was a great man, and he will be missed".

He is preceded in death by his parents Bannister and Mae, his sister Janet, and his four brothers Laurence, Reginald, Quentin and Arnold. Everett leaves behind to cherish his memory, his beloved children, Everett "Chipper" Bruce, Kimberly Bruce, Gerard "Jerry" Bruce (Veronica), Miracle Ford, Michael Ford (LaTonya), four grandchildren, Shaun Cooper-Bruce, Gerald Hayward II (Chantel), Tiana Hill, Ariana Ford, Ryane Ford, eight Great Grandchildren, Patricia Mayfield (Sister), Laura Bruce (Sister in-law), and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and very dear friends

Interment with Honors
Santa Fe National Cemetery
501 N Guadalupe St.
Santa Fe, NM 87501

Date: 3/15/19

Time: 10:30AM

Celebration of Life

National Museum of Nuclear Science & History
601 Eubank Blvd SE
Albuquerque, NM 87123

Date: 3/15/19

Time: 5:00 PM

Comments



“ Cheryl London lit a candle in memory of Everett W. Bruce



Cheryl London - March 15, 2019 at 12:38 PM



“ Everett and our buddies from TVI would spend many fun nights playing poker at Larry's . I will miss most his laugh and the great jokes we would share. Thanks for lightening my and my families lives brother. You will always be in our hearts!

Jayson - March 14, 2019 at 06:58 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Everett W. Bruce.



March 13, 2019 at 12:07 PM



“ Everett, Our friend and next door neighbor. We were neighbors for 26 years. My wife and I, our daughters, grandchildren, and especially two of our great-grandchildren became part of his family over the years. Everett was born in February, 1936 and I was born in July, 1936. He often mentioned that I should respect my elders. We had many laughs regarding our age and life’s experiences. We also came from eastern United States. He was from Delaware and we were from Pennsylvania. Everett and my wife had similar health problems and he always asked how she was doing. He was a caring person. During the time he wasn’t able to do certain things I would ask if we could help. It took a while to get him to accept but was able to convince him. Finally, he looked forward to certain invitations. Everett will be sadly missed. May the Lord comfort the family during this time.
Dean and Jessie Stuyvesant and family.

Dean and Jessie Stuyvesant - March 13, 2019 at 11:44 AM



“ Everett Bruce sent a virtual gift in memory of Everett W. Bruce



Everett Bruce - March 12, 2019 at 07:53 PM



“ Dale Wideman lit a candle in memory of Everett W. Bruce



Dale Wideman - March 12, 2019 at 07:48 PM



“ Everett Bruce lit a candle in memory of Everett W. Bruce



Everett Bruce - March 12, 2019 at 07:24 PM



“ With love and compassion from your son Everett chipper Bruce

Everett - March 12, 2019 at 07:24 PM



“ Love and prayers for the Bruce family.

Amy Stuyvesant Curlee & family - March 11, 2019 at 05:46 PM



“ Everett was a great friend and neighbor. I always looked forward to his smile and splendid sense of humor. He will be greatly missed and remembered with love.

Lynn Stuyvesant - March 01, 2019 at 12:14 PM



“ Always teased him about having two first names. Knew him as a customer who quickly became a friend.....a funny one at that. God's speed. You will be fondly remembered!

jennifer Guggino-Othart - February 23, 2019 at 12:46 AM



“ Dicky And Suzanne Romero lit a candle in memory of Everett W. Bruce



Dicky and Suzanne Romero - February 17, 2019 at 12:19 PM