



Arnold Bland

June 16, 1964 - December 12, 2007

ARNOLD VINCENT BLAND, age 43 of Manassas, VA, passed away suddenly on December 12, 2007 with his wife by his side.

He is survived by his loving wife Donna; his six children: Ryan, Jordan, Catherine, Lauren, Brandon, and Ian, and his parents, Ernest and Gwen. He also leaves behind many beloved aunts, uncles, and extended family members.

Vincent was more than a husband and father. He was a pillar of strength and support. He embraced them with all his heart. He was a mentor, problem solver, and official spider remover. He made each day extraordinary just by being there. He shared his life's passions with his family, and he felt honored to be a part of theirs.

Vincent began his employment with Multiplex Cinemas in 1986, where he met his wife of 16 years. He enjoyed all the many things he did there, and was always ready to help wherever he was needed. His expertise lay in the projection booth, which he has always enjoyed being a part of. He leaves behind many good friends and colleagues.

A Memorial service will be held 11:00a.m., Wednesday, December 19, at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas. Interment will be

private.

Vincent's family would like to express their gratitude to the emergency response personnel, the staff at Fairfax Hospital, as well as friends and family for the outstanding care and support they provided.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to St. Luke's Church, 8009 Ft. Hunt Rd., Alexandria, VA 22308, in memory of Arnold V. Bland.

Condolences may be sent to www.piercefh.com.

Tribute Wall

MS

“ Donna,
Your beautiful family is in our hearts and prayers. May God give you all the strength that you need at this very difficult time. We hope that you will let us know if you need anything at all.
The Samoy Family

Michele & Stephen Samoy - March 29, 2013 at 02:03 PM

SH

“ We are so sorry to hear about the loss of Vince. He was well liked and respected by everyone who had the honor to meet and work with him. He spoke highly of his family and couldn't wait to get home while on his trips to New England.

Shannon Hammond - March 29, 2013 at 02:03 PM

RI

“ I have known Vince for 20 years and will always remember him. He always wanted each person to learn and be the best that they could be. No matter what, he would help to make that happen.

Richard A. Starkey II - March 29, 2013 at 02:03 PM

DB

“ Even though we hadn't seen each other in a few years, I will always count Vince as one of my dearest friends. From a bunch of us spending a week in Ocean City to celebrate our high school graduation to Vince, Lorri Elford, and I carpooling to U of Md., to Vince and I swilling nasty Roy Rogers' coffee in the Student Union (I can still remember his "coffee ritual"!), I have great memories of Vince. He always kept you laughing and he always left you feeling better than you did before. My heart is filled with sadness knowing that he's no longer around to help make this world a brighter place, but I know that he's at peace in God's embrace now and I know he'll be smiling down on us all. To Vince's family, please know how deeply sorry my family and I are for your loss...and know that we will keep you in our prayers forever.

Dave Bowman - March 29, 2013 at 02:03 PM

KE

“ Donna, I can't begin to express in words all that I am feeling for you and your children in this time of tremendous loss. Many Manassas City Schools teachers, as well as myself, have been touched by your support, generosity, and the privilege of working with you, your husband, and your children. Please extend my heartfelt sympathy to Ryan, let him know that I am thinking about him. Also know that my thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Karen Etherington - March 29, 2013 at 02:03 PM

AP

“ Donna, I will always love and never forget Vincent. Those days he spent with me at the hospital was one of the greatest memories of Vincent. His smiling face standing there. He put a smile on Carl's face that day also which he needed. I will always love you and those precious children. Please call if I can be of help.
Love to all of you Aunt Pat

Aunt Pat - December 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Donna, we met briefly at Oxon Hill's 20-year reunion cookout. I was also one of the Ocean City crew and hung out with Vince and David between classes when we were freshmen at Maryland. I am so sorry for your family's loss. I have very many fond memories of Vince. He was a special person and I'll always smile when I think of him.

Judy Harrell Wallenfelt - March 18, 2007 at 12:00 AM