



Arthur Wayne Bentz

April 11, 1942 - July 13, 2024

Arthur Wayne Bentz (Wayne), a beloved father, Granddad, brother and member of the community, passed away peacefully on July 13, 2024, at the age of 82. Born on April 11, 1942, in Hampstead, Maryland, Wayne lived a life marked by dedication, service, and love.

Wayne graduated in 1960 from North Carroll High School, in Hampstead, Maryland. Wayne's journey through life saw him move from his birthplace in Hampstead, MD, to St. Joseph, Michigan, then to Knoxville, Tennessee; and for the last 44 years he called Manassas, Virginia home. Wayne's career began as a gas station attendant in Baltimore, Maryland. After graduating from business school, he rose to significant heights in the commercial real estate industry for Citgo Petroleum. After reaching his goals in real estate, he then transferred to the terminal side of the company. In this position, he was responsible for the storage and distribution of petroleum products for the Northeast region. After a distinguished and rewarding 42-year career, Wayne retired as the Terminal Manager of Citgo Petroleum's light oil facility in Fairfax City, Virginia.

Wayne enjoyed many activities and was deeply involved in his community. Locally, he enjoyed coaching and umpiring at all levels of baseball. He also coached area youth in recreational league basketball. He proudly volunteered his time serving the Prince William County area as a Deputy Sheriff. Wayne

also enjoyed nature, especially bird watching. It brought a smile to his face to see his bird feeders full and could identify every bird's song. He would sit for hours in his favorite chair in his sunroom watching the wildlife pass by and enjoying their presence. He loved all area sports, horse racing, and NASCAR.

Wayne took great honor in serving the community through his membership in the Masonic fraternity. Worshipful Wayne Bentz was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason on June 20, 1997, in Manasseh Lodge No.182 in Manassas Virginia and served as the Worshipful Master of Manasseh Lodge in 2009. Worshipful Bentz Served as the Treasurer of Manasseh Lodge for over 10 years. He was a Member of the Manassas Royal Arch Chapter No. 81. He was also a Member of Destiny Court of the Order of Amaranth and served as the court's treasurer for many years as well. At the time of his passing, he was recognized as Past Master. Wayne was beloved by his Brother Masons and will be greatly missed.

Wayne's legacy will be carried on by his loving family. Survivors include four children: Timothy Bentz and wife Pam, Mark Bentz, Diane Jersey and husband Bill, and Paul Bentz; One brother: Burnell Bentz and wife Patricia. His grandchildren Amanda and husband BJ, Timothy Wayne Jr and wife Taylor, Benjamin, Rachel, Conor, Aiden, Brooke and Blake; along with numerous great-grandchildren.

Wayne was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 60 years, Patricia Jean (Taylor) Bentz, and his two sisters, Martha Bruner and Linda Evans.

Wayne's life will be celebrated at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas Virginia 20110, on Monday, July 22, 2024, at 2PM – 3PM (Visitation), 3p.m (Memorial Service). Please stay for a reception following where family and friends will gather.

Interment will be at Grace United Methodist Church Cemetery, 4618 Black

Rock Road, Upperco, MD 21155 on July 23, 2024, at 11 AM.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Arthur Wayne's memory to The American Kidney Fund; or the American Cancer Society. Wayne will be deeply missed and forever loved by all who know him.

Cemetery Details

Grace United Methodist Church Cemetery

4618 Black Rock Road
Upperco, MD 21155

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **22**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home
9609 Center St.
Manassas, VA 20110
(703) 257-6028
pfh@piercefh.com
<https://www.piercefh.com>

Funeral Service

JUL **22**. 3:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home
9609 Center St.
Manassas, VA 20110
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<https://www.piercefh.com>

Reception

JUL **22** (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home Celebration Room
9609 Center Street
Manassas, VA 20110
<https://www.piercefh.com/who-we-are/celebration-room>

Burial

JUL **23**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Grace United Methodist Church Cemetery
4618 Black Rock Rd.
Upperco, MD 21155

Tribute Wall



“ I am deeply sorry for your loss during this difficult time. If there is a family member I could speak with, please feel free to reach out to me at (703) 957-9643.

*With heartfelt condolences,
Stacey Caito*

Stacey Caito - October 15, 2024 at 06:08 PM

CD

“ I was assistant terminal manager under Wayne's guidance at the Fairfax terminal from 1996 - 1998. Many 'characters' worked there during my time, Corky and Mike to name a few, and Wayne was the leader of the pack. Thoroughly enjoyed my time with Wayne as Fairfax was probably my most memorable place to work thanks to him. My sincere condolences to the Bentz family.

Craig Diekroeger - August 12, 2024 at 03:04 PM

MC

“ We send our sincerest condolences to the entire Bentz family. “The Duke” Wayne Bentz was a great man and will never be forgotten.

Mike Carter - July 21, 2024 at 07:51 PM

PC

Wayne, one my kindest friends in 6th grade in Hamstead, Md. New from Jersey, he befriended me even though I spoke funny! We played sports from 6th to 11th, always joking and having fun as we were growing up. Never had any words, always acting as brothers. With Stan Hamilton and others did well in county sgames. Went to finals in Basketball our junior year in College Park. Masons was very important to Wayne. He acted very well in his actions towards his fellow man. Followed God's word as he lived his life. Paty was his soul mate for many years and kept him on the narrow path! He was never the same after her death. I thank God for the friendship we had all those years past. He named a son after our friendship, and I hope to meet him someday here or in Henven. Loved you Wayne!

Paul Cauwels - August 02, 2024 at 12:50 PM

BJ

“ *Brother Bill Rieck, Jr. purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Arthur Wayne Bentz.*



Brother Bill Rieck, Jr. - July 18, 2024 at 10:19 AM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Arthur Wayne Bentz.*



July 17, 2024 at 09:43 PM

SF

“ *Sliter Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Arthur Wayne Bentz.*



Sliter Family - July 17, 2024 at 03:54 PM