



George Edward Hayward Jr

December 29, 1964 - August 29, 2015

George Hayward, 50, of Haymarket, Virginia, died peacefully after a long battle with Multiple System Atrophy (MSA).

George is survived by Nicole, their twin daughters, Marli and Reilly, and son, Nicholas. The youngest of the late George and Jane Hayward's six children, George is also survived by his brothers, Thomas and Stephen, and his sisters, Nancy, Barbara, and Christine, and many nieces and nephews.

His children were the most important and essential loves of his life. For his love of them, he did not go "gentle into that good night", but fought MSA with tremendous courage, dignity, and determination for over a decade. He was supported and comforted during his long illness by his family and a legion of friends who stood strong for him and who cherish the memories of his courage, his sly sense of humor, and his joy in life.

George graduated from Potomac High School and Virginia Tech. He studied civil engineering, earning a Bachelor's and Master's degree, as well as his Professional Engineering certification. His passion for engineering stemmed not only from natural curiosity but also from his dedication to improve his community. He worked as a senior project manager for Alpha Corporation overseeing projects as diverse as the survey and refurbishment of the Washington Monument in 1998 to the complex Gainesville I-66 interchange. In his youth, George was always up for a physical challenge whether it was extreme skiing or bungee jumping. George also enjoyed biking and golfing and was a long-time member of Dominion Valley Country Club.

An avid soccer fan and excellent player, George earned a soccer scholarship to college. After college, he continued to play in adult leagues. While his illness made it impossible for him to continue playing, MSA could not take away his sheer love of the sport. He took joy in teaching his daughters the game and later coaching their soccer teams. Nothing made George more proud than watching his children excel at sports and teamwork: his daughters in soccer and his son in baseball.

If God measures our lives by the love of our family, quality of our friends, joy in life's experiences, and courage in life's adversities, as well as the love of those we leave behind, then He will know that George lived the life given to him to the fullest.

The family will receive visitors at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 8213 Linton Hall Road, Gainesville, Virginia on Saturday, September 12 from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m. A funeral mass will be held immediately following at 1:00 p.m. Interment will be private.

The family is hosting a celebration of George's life on Saturday, September 12 at 5:00 p.m. at 916 Neal Drive, Alexandria, Virginia 22308.

Per George's wishes, an education fund has been set up for his children. Donations gratefully accepted at <http://www.gofundme.com/7e37qktg>.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **12.** 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Holy Trinity Catholic Church
8213 Linton Hall Road
Gainesville, VA 20155
<http://holytrinityparish.net/>

Memorial Mass

SEP **12.** 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of George Edward Hayward Jr.*



September 09, 2015 at 05:58 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of George Edward Hayward Jr.*



September 07, 2015 at 03:06 PM



“ *No words can say how truly heart broken I am that you are gone! I will never forget any of the crazy fun memories that I have of you!! You always made me laugh! You will never be forgotten! Thanks for all the fun times and laughs RIP my special friend!!*



Cristi - September 05, 2015 at 09:04 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of George Edward Hayward Jr.*



September 05, 2015 at 12:50 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of George Edward Hayward Jr.*



September 05, 2015 at 07:07 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Remembering George Hayward*



Evelyn Powers - September 04, 2015 at 02:21 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of George Edward Hayward Jr.*



September 03, 2015 at 10:25 PM

TG

“ To George, Family and Friends:

George's fortitude in the fight against his disease was an incredible act of love. George expressed that he just wanted time with his family, we prayed for this to be possible, and God granted our request. I must confess for a time during George's grueling experience I cowardly stayed away, I was useless. I did bear witness to his great love of relationships. He fought night and day to just spend time with his loved ones, family, friends, and caretakers.

I once thought the meaning of life was measured by accumulating as many diplomas, titles, property, and personal achievements; not to mention as much entertainment and personal gratification as we can experience in this one shot at life. However with experience, now I believe life is a temporary test, a story, a role to play, a building ground of character, forged through the tough times, with the forgiveness and grace of God. I think George aced the closing chapter.

Now George has gone on ahead and is helping prepare a place for us. He is saving his family seats at the banquet table of the feast, which follows the wedding. You see, the Bride-Groom, who is the Lamb of God, is awaiting His Bride, the Church. All whose names are found in the Lambs Book of Life will be gathered in Heaven for this event. George, I will see you there, we'll catch up. I'm sure you will have a lot to say (George I see you grinning).

May God Bless all who hear, in Jesus name Amen

*Neighbor
Tony Greathouse*

Tony Greathouse - September 03, 2015 at 06:21 PM

KR

“ I met George through mutual friends when my family moved into Dominion Valley in 2006. George and I hit it off right away and played golf together for several years, teaming up for the DVCC Member-Member tournaments 3 years in row. Alas, we did not win anything, but with George that was never the goal. Staying fit (we walked the course for years) and friendly competition made those times fun. George never hit the ball long, but he almost always hit the ball straight. A straight shooter, with a great sense of humor. He has been, and will be missed.

My sincere condolences go to George's entire family, but especially his children, Marli, Reilly and Nicholas. He spoke of you often. I know how PROUD he is of all of you.

*Kevin Roth
Haymarket, VA*

Kevin ROth - September 03, 2015 at 02:54 PM

JS

I am grateful for growing up with a man like George. Not in the same circle but touched by him nevertheless. I am proud to have been a part of the people that got touched by his uniqueness. God bless his family, children and all that were blessed by knowing him. My heart is with his family.

Judith Sheridan-Hollar - September 03, 2015 at 09:09 PM

MA

“ Christine and family...what a tremendous loss in your lives with the loss of your beloved brother/friend George. He was so full of life, and even though MSA took over his body, it could not rob him of his spirit and LOVE for his children, family, and friends. May all of your special memories keep his spirit alive in your hearts forever...he's just a memory away, and I know you have many of them! I remember how he loved SWEETS and FOOD in general, just like his dad George Sr. Thinking and praying for all of you during this difficult time.

Mary and Neil Alexander
Woodbridge, VA 22192

Mary - September 03, 2015 at 02:06 PM



“ I met George at his wedding to Nicole Romano. I thought George was the most handsome, kind, loving man I had ever met. It is so sad that such a truly wonderful man would have to leave this earth at such a young age. My heart goes out to his family. Rest in peace George. You will be greatly missed.

Susan L. Selby
Jacksonville, Florida

Susan Selby - September 03, 2015 at 12:09 PM

TS

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. I had the privilege to spend some time with George on his birthday and I'm so glad that I will always have that memory. - Traci Simpson

traci simpson - September 02, 2015 at 05:56 PM

BJ

“ *My Dear Buddy,
Your passing has left a hole in my heart. I plan to fill it with
memories of our good times together as your friend, neighbor, and
as your "other wife". The smile on your face was so bright we could
have used it as the sun. Now you are a "star" in Heaven. I thank
God for bringing you into my life. Missing you dearly.
Bernice*

bernice jackson - September 02, 2015 at 05:11 PM