



Bruce Rutland

August 20, 1952 - August 1, 2022

Bruce Rutland, 69, of Greer, SC passed away Monday, August 1, 2022, surrounded by his sons. He was born in Tallassee, Alabama to the late John W. Rutland, Sr, and Marguerite Bell Rutland. In addition to his parents, Bruce was predeceased in death by his brother, Ricky Rutland.

Bruce is survived by his sons, Vernon Rutland (Angela) of Greer, SC, and Brandon Rutland (Allison) of Greer, SC; the mother of his sons, Ginger N. Rutland of Lexington, SC; grandchildren, Emma Rutland, Elliott Rutland, Ensley Rutland, and Asher Rutland, all of Greer, SC. Also surviving Bruce are his brothers, Charles Rutland (Peggy) of Clemson, SC, John W. Rutland, Jr of Graniteville, SC, Daryl Rutland, Greenville, SC, and Paul Rutland (Kim) of Richlands, Washington. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews. Bruce retired from the County of Lexington, SC after having served twenty plus years as a magistrate from 5/5/1981-3/31/2005 and Chief Magistrate from 7/1/1986-12/31/2003. Before becoming a magistrate, Bruce served on the South Carolina Highway Patrol from 1974-1981. In all, he served 33 years as a public servant.

The family will receive friends Saturday, August 6, 2022, beginning at 1:00 pm in the sanctuary of Washington Baptist Church, 3500 N. SC 14, Greer, SC 29651. A memorial service conducted by Rev. Trent Henson will follow the visitation, beginning at 2:00 pm.

The family would like to thank the 2'nd floor CVSU staff at St. Francis Hospital, Greenville, SC and the staff at Open Arms Hospice, Simpsonville,

SC, for the care and compassion they provided over the last three weeks. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be made to Washington Baptist Church, 3500 N. SC 14, Greer, SC 29651, or Oakwood Baptist Church, 3520 Mineral Springs Road, Lexington, SC 29073. Online condolences may be made to www.thewoodmortuary.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 6. 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM (ET)

Washington Baptist Church
3500 North Highway 14
Greer, SC 29651

Memorial Service

AUG 6. 2:00 PM (ET)

Washington Baptist Church
3500 North Highway 14
Greer, SC 29651

Tribute Wall

RH

“ Bruce,
You will be so missed. Your Roly Poly family loved every minute we got to spend with you. You will forever be in our hearts.

Rachel Hequembourg - November 03, 2022 at 08:11 PM

SW

“ We are so sorry to hear Bruce has passed.
You are all in my prayers.



Scadi Webb - August 04, 2022 at 06:00 PM

DO

“ Bruce was an outstanding football referee at all levels as well as an outstanding magistrate. RIP!

Dennis O'Keefe - August 04, 2022 at 03:30 PM

PC

“ Dear Ginger, Vernon, Brandon and family,

So sorry to hear of Bruce's death. Whitey and I had many good times with them in the early years of our marriages. I also remember being called often to serve as juror in his court. I thought he was a good judge. Our prayers are with all of you.

Love Whitey and Pam Covington

pamela covington - August 03, 2022 at 04:18 PM

AF

“ It was always a pleasure to appear before and conduct trials in Judge Rutland's court. My clients and I always felt that we received a fair hearing and his rulings were based on the law and the facts. The manner in which he conducted his judicial duties should serve as a model for those that have come after him. He served well and deserves the peace the good lord has given him. Well done good and faithful servant. Your friend, Adrian L. Falgione

Adrian L. Falgione - August 03, 2022 at 10:02 AM



“ Condolences and Prayers to the family Always enjoyed talking with him He will be missed John Burnett

John Burnett - August 03, 2022 at 09:19 AM

PR

“ Paul, Kimberly, Mason, and Micah Rutland purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Bruce Rutland.



Paul, Kimberly, Mason, and Micah Rutland - August 03, 2022 at 12:07 AM

PR

“ Paul, Kimberly, Mason, and Micah Rutland purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Bruce Rutland.



Paul, Kimberly, Mason, and Micah Rutland - August 02, 2022 at 11:57 PM

DP

“ *Debra Pinder lit a candle in memory of Bruce Rutland*



Debra Pinder - August 02, 2022 at 11:38 PM

MB

“ *Vernon and Brandon so sorry for your loss. Prayers for you and your family...Martha Burnett*

Martha Burnett - August 02, 2022 at 05:24 PM

JL

“ *I remember Judge Rutland as a good friend, fellow trooper and Magistrate. He had a good heart and was always there to help anyone in need.
I'll miss you my friend. Condolences to the family.
Sincerely,
Judge Sheridan (Danny) Lynn
North Augusta Magistrate*

Judge Sheridan (Danny) Lynn - August 02, 2022 at 04:08 PM

PS

“ *Bruce was a regular at Hardee's round table every morning. I enjoyed talking to him and listening to him expound on just about anything. He will certainly be missed.*

Pat Styles - August 02, 2022 at 03:48 PM

EH

Dear Family, Please know that you have my deep, heartfelt sympathy. I'm sorry I won't be able to attend Bruce's funeral, but I wanted to let you know that we will certainly miss him at Washington Church. My prayers are with you.

Elaine Huttenstine - August 05, 2022 at 02:19 PM