



## Bruce Swenson

September 8, 1954 - August 20, 2009

Bruce Robert Swenson

September 8, 1954 - August 20, 2009. Bruce - loving husband, beloved brother, Navy serviceman, and faithful friend - has entered into his full inheritance. His adoring wife, Marvena, his three sisters, parents and siblings in-law, aunt, nephews, nieces, and church family miss him greatly and will honor his life publicly Wednesday, August 26, 2009 at 11 AM at Meadow Baptist Church in Lawrenceville GA. This gentle giant touched us all and we are bettered for having known him. He is now with his Lord and Savior and shall be forever as he awaits those who come behind him. Visitation and last respect will be Tuesday, August 25 from 7-9 PM at Tim Stewart Funeral Home in Lawrenceville GA. [www.stewartfh.com](http://www.stewartfh.com)

# Previous Events

## Service

AUG **26**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Meadow Baptist Church  
1446 Calvin Davis Circle  
Lawrenceville, GA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bruce Swenson*

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October 08, 2022 at 11:31 AM



“ *Marvena,*  
*Please accept my heartfelt sympathy. The Lord will see you through the times ahead, but please know my heart aches for you. I love you both.*

*Candi###imported-begin##Candi Smith-Bays###imported-end##*

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August 31, 2009 at 02:41 PM



“ *Bruce,*

*You were always a good friend and always will be in our hearts. It really hurt to see you had left us. I know we didn't get to see each other much in the latter part of your life but you were always near in our thoughts. I can picture you laughing which is a comforting thought. You and Marvena are such good friends to us. You will be missed So much.*

*Love,*

*David and Vicki###imported-begin##David and Vicki Frazier###imported-end##*

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August 31, 2009 at 09:24 AM



“ Marvena,

*I am so sorry. I just found out about your loss. May God bless you and help you in this difficult time. He will be missed by all who knew him*

*Matt##imported-begin##Matthew Riggins##imported-end##*

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August 28, 2009 at 04:42 PM



“ *Our hearts are broken, but we don't sorrow as those with no hope. Our love and prayers are with you during this difficult time and in the days ahead. May God pour His peace into you!##imported-begin##Chris & Sharon Willis##imported-end##*

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August 28, 2009 at 08:19 AM



“ *Please accept my condolences, I knew Bruce from working with him in Bristol TN. at Ritz Camera. He was a great friend and I am deeply saddened knowing I will never have the chance to see him again.*

*My prayers go out to you and enjoy the photographs Bruce took through out the years, he was a great photographer.##imported-begin##Todd Currin##imported-end##*

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August 27, 2009 at 09:57 AM



“ Hello,

*I was very sorry to hear of Bruce's passing. My condolences go out to his family and I will pray for your comfort. I worked with Bruce when we were doing some training for Walgreens stores and saw him at the Atlanta office on occasion. He was always willing to offer help when you needed it, and he was fun to be with after hours as well. Those of us who knew him at Fujifilm/CES will certainly miss him.*

*Sincerely,*

*Philip Mortensen##imported-begin##Philip Mortensen##imported-end##*

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August 27, 2009 at 09:10 AM



“ *I had the privilege of working with Bruce when he first started working at Fuji. He was a memorable character that made a big impression right from the start.*

*What I remember most is the laughter and good humor from time spent with him. Me going for the obvious jokes and Bruce countering with his subtle but devastating humor.*

*Bruce will be greatly missed by anyone that had the good fortune to have been able to meet him.*

*Godspeed Bruce.##imported-begin##Les Doerfler##imported-end##*

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August 26, 2009 at 05:02 PM



“ Wow, what can I say...It has been many years since I have trained at Fuji with Bruce, but he is still so close in my heart. Bless All of you.##imported-begin##Kathie (Mumford) McDonough##imported-end##

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August 26, 2009 at 02:34 PM



“ I only new you for a few short years, but it only took a few short hours to see the kind and caring person you were. I was a stranger coming to work in your office and you did everything to make me feel welcomed and made sure I had what i needed to do my job. I will miss seeing you each time I come to Norcross. It was always fun sharing time with you, you will be missed. My prayers are for your family and many friends, that have lost a loving, caring friend.##imported-begin##Ernie Owens##imported-end##

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August 26, 2009 at 01:16 PM



“ Marvena,  
I'm so sorry to hear about Bruce. He was an amazing guy who will be truely missed by a lot of people. He and I worked together at Lowes in Kingsport several years ago. I've often wondered where you were living. Yours and Bruce's kindness really made an impact on a lot of peoples lives. Mine incuded!! My thoughts and prayers will be with you.##imported-begin##Donna Stinson##imported-end##

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August 26, 2009 at 09:22 AM



“ *Marvena,*

*We are so sorry for your loss of Bruce. He was, and you are, one of our oldest and dearest friends going back about 20 years now. All week, we have been recalling the things we've done and places we've been with you both and are so thankful for those memories. Kara and Luke have known you and Bruce all of their lives and really consider you as family.*

*I liked Bruce the first time we met and during the time working with him, quickly learned that he was a really good person. He truly was a gentle giant (until someone played a trick on him or messed with his lunch- then the bear would come out!)*

*I shared his love of photography and old things, so we spent lots of days taking road trips and looking for old barns, trucks, stores and signs to photograph. I always enjoyed hearing him talk about his childhood, the Navy and of course, you were always included in the conversation.*

*The thing I will most remember about Bruce is the fact that he never once forgot to call on my birthday- no matter how busy he was or what state he was traveling in, he always took time to call- it meant to world to me.*

*You and Bruce were a really special couple and there was no doubt that his world revolved around you. I'm not sure it will be possible to say Marvena without putting "Bruce and" in front of it. We love you!##imported-begin##Matt, Lisa Kara & Luke Bowman##imported-end##*

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August 26, 2009 at 08:54 AM



“ *My Dear Cousin Marvena,*

*We are so sorry for the loss of your Bruce, but we know that he is in the presence of our almighty and heavenly Father above. There is Strength in the Lord beyond our measure and Because He Lives, we can face tomorrow. We know that we have that Blessed Hope that we will once again meet Bruce and our other loved ones Some Sweet Day Over There. May you find sweet rest and comfort in our Lord. Although, we could not be with you and Bruce, our thoughts and prayers have been with you all over the last few weeks. By God's Grace our thoughts and prayers will continue for you and the family.*

*In Christ's Love,*

*Brenda*

*Uncle Edgar & Cora L##imported-begin##Brenda  
Neeley##imported-end##*

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August 26, 2009 at 12:24 AM



“ *Marvena ... you and Bruce did so much for us in our time of need-- now it is our turn to return the deed--please call if you need ANYTHING.*

*On behalf of the family of Betty Burris,*

*Jan Brewer##imported-begin##Jan Brewer##imported-end##*

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August 25, 2009 at 05:53 PM



“ Words cannot say what we felt when we looked at the paper today. We are truly sorry. If you need us for anything let us know. We are thinking of you in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Doug & Jamie Larkins##imported-end##

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August 25, 2009 at 05:02 PM



“ Our dear Marvena,  
Word just cannot express how saddened we are at the loss of Bruce.  
Our loss is Heavens gain. For that we are grateful that he now is with your babies and our Lord in Heaven. We will miss Bruce and his gentle presence both in Sunday School and at the entrance of MBC. Please know that we love you very much. We are sending a donation to the American Cancer Association in Bruce's name.  
God Bless you Sweet Friend.  
Elmer and Ann##imported-begin##Elmer and Ann  
Paschall##imported-end##

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August 25, 2009 at 04:01 PM



“ Marvena Ginger and myself are so sorry to here about bruce's illness and passing. When Chief Dye told me about this it was like someone stabbed me in the heart. You and Bruce were good friends to us. We have a lot of good memories of when you all were here at KFD. LOVE YOU Troy&ginger##imported-begin##TROY HOOD##imported-end##

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August 25, 2009 at 03:59 PM



“ I'm sure Bruce is looking down on you and wanting to tell you the beauty he is witnessing. His earthly camera cannot capture the beauty. I could only marvel at the beauty he could capture here on earth. I how he has left you with all that beauty. God needed him. May God be with you and comfort you.  
My deepest sympathy and if I can do anything for you, please call.

Love, Jean Bates###imported-begin##Jean Bates###imported-end##

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August 25, 2009 at 03:18 PM



“ Marv,  
So sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you even though I cannot be there. Love you and think about you often. Sorry we have lost touch the past few years but I am just a call away. When you get back to kpt. give me a call.....Love you  
Peggy and Sam###imported-begin##Peggy McLain###imported-end##

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August 25, 2009 at 03:12 PM



“ My dearest, dearest friend,  
I am in total shock and disbelief. I cannot find words to express to you how my heart hurts for you. You have been on my mind so much lately. If you find you can't sleep I am usually up all hours of the night and most of the day... so CALL (288-3106). I love you...Gwenifer###imported-begin##Gwen (Renfro)  
Risner###imported-end##

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August 25, 2009 at 01:37 PM



“ All too often we don't realize how special someone is till they are gone. I have had the privilege of working with Bruce over the past several years and can truly say that I have never met a person with such a gentle heart. He was always willing to give you everything within his means. We now know that Bruce has touched all of us in many ways and he has made us all better people for that. Thank you Bruce for the all the great memories and I will truly miss you. Tell we meet again...##imported-begin##Jason Shepherd##imported-end##

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August 25, 2009 at 01:30 PM



“ Dearest Marvena I am so sorry for your loss, I have thought of you many times and wondered what had happened to you. I know Bruce was your life. You were just like my own daughter and your mother was like my grand-son's grandmother. Please if you come to Kingsport please give me a call at 423-361-6194. I would like very much to see you. With great regards Florence##imported-begin##Florence Williams (Hammons)##imported-end##

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August 25, 2009 at 12:48 PM



“ My buddy from as far back as I can or care to recall. He was more than a friend, he was a brother to me. I remember how we played and planned, dreamed and schemed together. I remember that the banks of the Msiisiisppi were always safe when we were there, no invading armies DARED to come ashore as long as Bruce and I were together! I miss you already Bruce, and though we didn't see each other later in life, you walk quietly through the fields of my dreams as you have for years. Knowing that I will see friends like you when I get to Heaven, makes that good day even better in my hopes and plans for the future.##imported-begin##Marty Schroeder##imported-end##

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August 25, 2009 at 09:14 AM



“ I remember the day I met Bruce for the first time going on 15 years ago now. I knew right away that he was a very unique and special individual. As our friendship grew over the years, I realized even more everyday how much of a caring and thoughtful a man that he was. Bruce was also instrumental in passing an avid interest that he had to me related to antique camera collecting, which still continues to this day. I will reflect fondly on those times of numerous weekend trips hitting Antique Malls, Flea markets, etc. in search of the perfect find to further our collections. He was also an incredible photographer and he always enjoyed sharing ,and I equally enjoyed reviewing, the many pictures of the latest vacation. Bruce had so many passions and I always felt that he was always taking advantage of his life to the fullest and I really admired that about him. Marvena, please know that we will always be here for whatever you may need. He will be greatly missed by us and many.

Aaron and Betsy Warrick##imported-begin##Aaron Warrick##imported-end##

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August 25, 2009 at 08:32 AM



“ *marvena.....i was sad to hear that bruce had been ill and was very saddened to hear of your heartbreak....i know you were devoted to him and i know that it is hard to see the one you love facing their own mortality....i know...i've been there but i have been truly blessed and am i'm now recovering....bruce will always live as long as long as family and friends remember him....i will pray for your heart to have peace.....mitzi clark##imported-begin##mitzi clark##imported-end##*

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August 25, 2009 at 12:13 AM



“ *A trusted servant of the lord. We who stand ready on the decks salute you. To a great teacher and a greater man, best wishes unto the family.##imported-begin##Dan Skywalker##imported-end##*

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August 24, 2009 at 08:14 PM



“ *My deepest sympathy goes out to the family. He was a great man, and a great friend and will be missed.##imported-begin##Freddy Detres##imported-end##*

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August 24, 2009 at 06:04 PM



“ This is a letter I wrote Lois to help explain my thoughts....

*I will miss that bright smile.*

*(Hiking 30 miles)*

*Over the weekend I had some time to reflect and think about things, including Bruce. I sat on a hill and prayed for him, prayed that he be welcomed home and greeted with friends and family. Just after a cool breeze washed over me, it felt great. As I walked I thought of Bruce, his own beauty and how the woods and nature were made even more special. As I was thinking of Bruce I looked down finding blueberries. Somehow I could picture him with that big grin. As I walked I thought of Bruce, I suppose my way of dealing with this (which I am not very good at). Throughout the hike a bird, a crow I believe, led the way. The bird was with me nearly the whole hike. When things got tough the bird called out and flew on ahead of the trail, seemingly encouraging me to move forward. Eventually I would be treated to a vista and a cool breeze. To me the bird was Bruce, encouraging me to move on...not only with the trail, but with life.*

*Sometimes the Lord does not answer our prayers the way we expect. Part of me feels guilty. I often prayed quietly that if the Lord should take Bruce home that he do it quickly as Bruce didn't deserve to suffer. I don't believe the Lord is cruel, just the opposite. He didn't cause this pain for Bruce, but relieved it. I can't explain why, that will be a mystery as His plan often is.*

*What I can say is...Bruce is with us, grunting and grumbling about something only to give us all a big encouraging smile and good laugh.*

*I miss him. I am glad to have known him. I look forward to seeing him again.##imported-begin##Mike Ellis##imported-end##*

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August 24, 2009 at 03:21 PM



“ *Marvena,  
I am so sorry to hear the news about Bruce. I have such fond memories of Bruce and you together, such a nice couple. You have many friends. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.*

*Love,*

*Peggy Bologna##imported-begin##Peggy Bologna##imported-end##*

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August 24, 2009 at 03:01 PM



“ *Marv, what can I say? I love you and can't believe this has happened. The good Lord knows what he's doing. I can understand him wanting Bruce! Faith will get us through. Take Care. You are in my prayers.##imported-begin##Jerry & Tammy Robinson##imported-end##*

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August 24, 2009 at 02:40 PM



“ Bruce touched all of us who worked with him. Not only his warmth and big bear hugs but his generosity in teaching new things, never failing to share. To all of you, his friends and family, and especially to Marvena, he never failed to express his gratitude and boundless love for you This I will always remember and will carry on with me - it is that beautiful generosity that will stay with us all. God bless you and keep you. Stacey###imported-begin##Stacey Moore###imported-end##

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August 24, 2009 at 02:37 PM



“ I am very sad to hear about the loss of Bruce. He was a great co-worker and friend. I will seeing him at work and our discussions on various life subjects. I am glad he did not suffer long and that the Lord took him quickly. My heart and prayers go out to Marvienna and Bruce's family.###imported-begin##Debora Funk###imported-end##

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August 24, 2009 at 02:36 PM



“ Dear Marvena,  
We love you girl and are praying for you every day. May God's grace lighten the pain and help you during this dificult time. Looking forward to that blessed day where we all will be together again. It's comeing, that wonderful day, it's just around the corner. :)  
Love ya###imported-begin##Derick & Mary Beth  
Robinson###imported-end##

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August 24, 2009 at 02:34 PM



“ To you Bruce, My Best Friend. Since the day we met, you started looking over me telling me not to work on the weekends in your stern but thoughtful voice. I remember the I gave up a weekend of visiting stores when you and I were in California. You and I traveled the PCH for two days talking the entire way down and up about everything. It just after Sept 11th 2001 and our hearts were heavy. We were inseparable when we were together. Spending the weekends antiquing to talking about work. To spending time with my family. There has not a minute that has gone by that I haven't thought of you and all the things I will continue to do with you by my side. My Children Ashleigh and Christina were blessed to have you in their presence. You have blessed me and made me a better man in so many ways. I will forever hold you in my thoughts and prayers till we meet once again. My friend Bruce I will miss you, I will pray for you, I will protect the things you love whenever I can, but I know you will be watching over everyone in your loving and protecting way. We all have you as an angel now Bruce, rest my friend.....rest

*I love you Bruce and Marvena##imported-begin##Mark E. Watrous##imported-end##*

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August 24, 2009 at 11:52 AM



“ I am stunned and deeply saddened by the passing of my friend and co-worker. Bruce will be greatly missed and leave a void here at Fujifilm.##imported-begin##Allen Tart##imported-end##

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August 24, 2009 at 11:51 AM



“ *Marvena, you are such a strong person, I admire you very much. The love you and Bruce shared will go on forever. Whenever he came to NJ he always spoke about you and I know he loved you more than anything in this world. I will miss him so much, especially that silly laugh he had. :) He never came to see us without bringing Ashleigh candy and I remember joking with him that he did a great job picking out a present for Christina before she was born. I am sad for her because she will never know what a wonderful person her Uncle Bruce was but we will tell her over and over. We all have one very special angel watching over us. We will always be here for you. We love you both very much and will never forget what an incredible person Bruce was. I feel blessed to have known and loved him.##imported-begin##Shelly Minucci##imported-end##*

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August 24, 2009 at 11:15 AM



“ *Our heart and our prayers go out to you at this time of loss. Bruce was the sweetest teddy bear of a man and a true friend. He will be missed and remembered always. Love and Aloha( as in the song, till we meet again)##imported-begin##Mr. & Mrs. Norman Hahn##imported-end##*

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August 24, 2009 at 11:00 AM



“ I can tell everyone that Bruce was a valued, dedicated and hard working employee who's loss has left our heart's heavy with grief in the Fujifilm/CES Family. But Bruce was so much more than that. He was a kind and caring person that always looked out for others. He had a great sense of humor, and he loved life. He was someone you always enjoyed being around and knowing. He was an excellent photographer, and that was one of his great loves. Before working with us he was Due to his background in the Navy we called him Ensign Swenson, and he always smiled. We also loved hearing his experiences from his days as a firefighter. Bruce cared about serving and protecting others. He was obviously a devoted and loving husband. We will miss him beyond what words can express, but we will carry him with us, so he will never be lost or forgotten. He was loved by all he came in contact with, he is already missed. God Bless you Bruce, rest well. I am a better person for having had the privilege of knowing you, and I am blessed to have been able to call you my friend.##imported-begin##Dale Zanine##imported-end##

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August 24, 2009 at 10:01 AM



“ We love you and know that you will be reunited with Bruce again.##imported-begin##Todd, Ashley, Allyson and Andrew Tremblay##imported-end##

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August 24, 2009 at 09:16 AM



“ Dear Marvena,  
We love you and want you to know that we are so proud of you for taking such good care of Bruce the past couple of weeks. You are a perfect example of a true servant of Christ. Please call if you need to talk. Love, Jeremy and Tammi###imported-begin##Jeremy and Tammi Weigel###imported-end##

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August 24, 2009 at 09:14 AM



“ You are already missed so much. The memories we have will be in our hearts and will stay there forever. You have touched so many lives with your kind words and big bear hugs. We know you are with our Lord and Savior and will see you again in glory. Until then, July 4th will never be the same without you. We Love you Brother Bruce!!!###imported-begin##Jeremy and Tammi Weigel###imported-end##

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August 24, 2009 at 09:01 AM



“ You are in my thoughts and my prayers. If you need a shoulder, mine are waterproof. I love you honey.###imported-begin##Alyssa Albright###imported-end##

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August 24, 2009 at 04:33 AM



“ Marvena, May you rest in our sweet Lord's peace and comfort. We will miss our friend, but heaven just got sweeter. Love you, Bro. Dave and Putter###imported-begin##Putter and Dave Weeks###imported-end##

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August 23, 2009 at 10:48 PM



“ *Dear Marvinna, although we cannot be there in person, know that our thoughts and prayers are with you - and all of the family.*

*Love,*

*Kathy and Brian##imported-begin##Katherine Findley##imported-end##*

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August 23, 2009 at 06:17 PM