



Bruce Marine

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Walter Bruce Marine, age 78, of Rehoboth Beach, DE, passed away on Monday, June 12, 2023, at Christiana Care Hospital in Newark, DE. Born on September 15, 1944, in West Chester, PA, he was the son of the late George P. and Charlotte (Cavanaugh) Marine.

Bruce was a 1962 graduate of Brown Vocational Technical High School in Wilmington, DE, where he excelled in all sports. As captain of the football team, he was the All-State and County scoring champion in football. He was also captain of the basketball team and Bruce earned his varsity letters in baseball, football, and basketball. He went on to graduate from Welsey College in Dover, DE, in 1964, where he was the MVP and junior college All-American, earning varsity letters in football and basketball. Bruce was captain of the Uconn football team, president of the Sigma Chi Epsilon fraternity (football frat) at Uconn and played semipro as a lineman for the Philadelphia Eagles and Baltimore Colts. He went on to earn his bachelor's degree in advertising from the University of Connecticut. Bruce's career path led him to a long and successful career as an insurance broker, where he met hundreds of people and forged many lasting friendships in his work. Bruce married the love of his life, Annette Travagline, and the two of them started a family. They would spend the next 50+ years together, creating many wonderful memories.

Bruce was an avid golfer, and he had a brotherly love for all of his golf buddies. His friends affectionately dubbed him, "the Machine". His golf swing was so good, that every ball flew straight down the fairway. Above all, the time spent with his family was what he cherished most. He was a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, sportsman and friend and his warm personality will be forever missed by his friends and family.

In addition to his parents, Bruce was preceded in death by his brother, Gary Marine, and his brother-in-law, Ronald A. Travagline. He is survived by his beloved wife, Annette; his sons, Bruce Patrick, and Eric Paul Marine; his brother, Alan Marine (Cathy); his grandson, Anthony Bruce Marine, and his granddaughter, Caroline Paige Marine.



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A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Thursday, June 22, 2023, at 11:00 AM, at St. Edmond's Catholic Church, 409 King Charles Ave., Rehoboth Beach, DE, where friends may visit one hour before the mass. Bruce's family would like to request that everyone who attends the mass wear their best golf shirt as a tribute to him.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions in Bruce's memory to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758516, Topeka, Kansas 66675-8516, (<https://www.woundedwarriorproject.org>).

Please sign the virtual guestbook located on the tribute page.

FLORIST NOTE: PLEASE DELIVER ALL ARRANGEMENTS BY 3:00 PM ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 2023 TO OUR LEWES LOCATION.



Events

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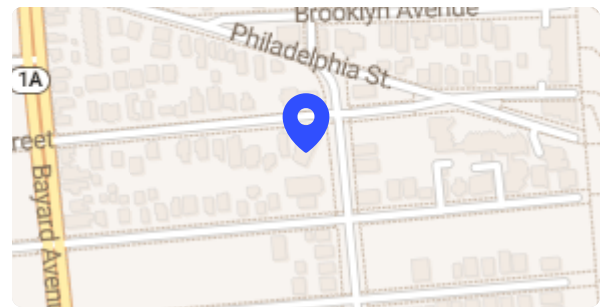
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Visitation

 **Thursday**, June 22, 2023

 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET

 **St. Edmond Catholic Church**
409 King Charles Ave, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971

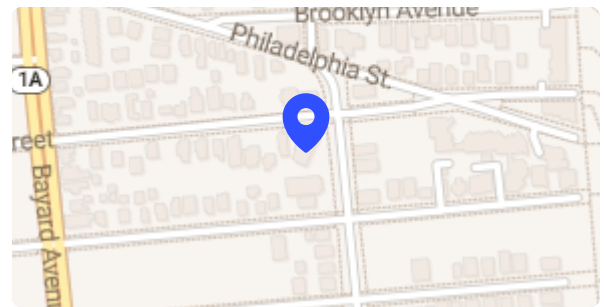


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SL

Stephen Lubniewski posted:

Only knew Bruce for a short time but he made a strong impression on me. His sense of humor and genuine personality will always mark time. He could also putt like a madman. He will be missed.

June 30 at 1:22 PM

KD

Kurt Doelze posted:

Bruce was a dear friend. He asked me to partner with him at an event at Kings Creek and we almost won. He would call me "Partner" for a long time thereafter. A Gentleman and a Friend who I will always remember and miss greatly. My sincere condolences to my wonderful Friend Annette and the Marine Family and Bruce's empire of Friends. We will never forget you and all the goodwill you shared with us. We'll play again on the celestial courses of the LORD'S Country Club. Rest in His peace my Friend and Brother. World DolzeNew York City, NY

June 23 at 2:19 AM

KW

Karen Wiedmann posted:

So sad to hear of Bruce passing. He was our insurance agent for many years and just a nice guy. He was an asset to our community and I'm sure he will be missed by many! So sorry to his family...

June 22 at 10:31 AM

RB

Ron Borders posted:

One of my best friends ever. Shared many laughs over the years. My deepest sympathies to his family.

June 22 at 6:04 AM



Joe Rosauri posted:

I thought of Bruce like a father, he will be really missed by many. Bruce was hardworking, funny, and not the best car buyer. He loved his family and adored Annette. He once told me " she is my best friend ". And something else worth noting Bruce put up a hell of a fight against cancer . Rest in peace Bruce.

June 21 at 8:18 AM



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DI

Daniel And Debbie lammatteo posted:

Debbie and I very sorry to hear of your loss. Bruce was very special to us we always enjoyed the times we spent together.

June 21 at 5:36 AM

DL

Diane Thompson & David Ludema posted:

Dear Annette, Brucie, & Eric, Anthony& Caroline, So very sorry to learn that Bruce has died. He was a great father, husband, grandfather, and friend. He was one of the funniest people we ever met and always had a great joke. We know all of you will miss him very much. ❤️

June 20 at 6:32 AM

SS

Susan Seelig posted:

We always enjoyed the time we shared with Bruce. His positive attitude toward life and his infectious smile inspired us all. He overcame many health obstacles but he never complained. We will miss him greatly but we will benefit from the lessons we learned from him - love of family and friends, gratitude for life and the appreciation of all we are given - the good times and the struggles we must learn to overcome. We will miss our good friend.

June 19 at 5:28 PM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Bruce.



June 19 at 10:56 AM

DR

Drew Romans posted:

Hey buddy I'm going to miss you so much! Loved playing golf with you and yes, you are "The Machine". See you on the back nine!

June 18 at 8:44 AM



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Ed Clark posted:

Diane and I saddened to hear of Bruce passing. We both have great memories of our time at Kings Creek. He was a true competitor in everything he did in life. Ed and Diane Clark

June 18 at 6:19 AM



Richard Kenny posted:

Dorothy and I first met Bruce at dancing lessons at the club and formed a lasting friendship. He enjoyed dancing with Annette at a local club and always had a big smile on his face. That is how we remember Bruce. Friendly and smiling whenever we were in his company. Rich and Dorothy Kenny

June 18 at 6:13 AM



Mary & Joe Gardner lit a candle in honor of Bruce.



June 17 at 11:24 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Bruce by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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