



Arthur J. Van Alstyne, Jr.

April 11, 2015

Arthur James Van Alstyne, Jr., age 86, of Chickamauga, GA passed away Saturday – April 11, 2015.

He was born in Pittsburgh, PA and had resided in Northwest Georgia for the past three years. He was a longtime resident of Aiken, S.C. and was a retired Professor from the University of South Carolina at Aiken where he taught for over thirty years. He was of the Presbyterian faith.

He is preceded in death by his wife: Elizabeth Van Alstyne and mother: Wilma Van Alstyne. He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law: Paul & Abigail Van Alstyne of Chickamauga, GA, grandchildren: Christopher, Robert, Kathryn, and great-grandchild: Jillian.

The family plans to have a private memorial service.

You can share your condolences on-line at www.wilsonfuneralhome.com

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“ I am deeply saddened by the passing of a very kind and gentle man and a very generous and nurturing colleague.

My sympathy goes to the surviving family members.

Linda Wang - Aiken, SC - colleague - April 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Art and I journeyed to China together back in 1984 when the university had a sister institution in that country; we were on faculty exchange. I was teaching American literature to the third-year English majors, and Art was doing research on the Chinese canal system. Since he had lived in Hong Kong in the past, Art proved to be a very helpful guide during my very first Asian experience. His low-key sense of humor made him a fine travelling companion. I was very happy that after years of part-time teaching, Art got a full-time position at USC-Aiken. He was a valued colleague.

Tom Mack - Aiken, SC - colleague - April 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Art was a sweet and wonderful man! He and I shared an office for several years when we were both part-time faculty at the university, and we also served together on several committees. It was a privilege to have the opportunity to know him both professionally and personally. I remember how well-read he was, how knowledgeable about the world, and how he would talk about parts of the world that most of us will never visit - I'm thinking of China, of course. I also heard such good things about his courses on the national park, which were an inspiration for those of us who love the outdoors. He was just plain nice! I am saddened by his passing, and send my thoughts to his loved ones.

Carol Botsch

Carol Botsch - Aiken, SC - colleague and friend - April 14, 2015 at 12:00 AM