



Leland Bruce Nance

November 16, 1927 - February 18, 2015

Leland Bruce Nance passed away on February 18, 2015. He was born November 16, 1927 at Tunnell Hill, Ga. to Oscar and Elizabeth Nance.

He graduated from Tunnel Hill High School and served in the U.S. Navy immediately after World War II.

Bruce and his wife, Elma, operated a retail business in Chickamauga for 60 years where he was a member of the American Legion, Masonic Lodge and charter member of the Chickamauga Lions Club.

He loved all types of card games and was an expert checker player

Bruce was preceded in death by his wife, Elma. He is survived by his daughter, Renee (Norman) Hunter; grandson, Lance Hunter; brother, Norman (Mickey) Nance; sisters, Top Griffin, Fleta Pruettt and Carolyn (Marshall) Love; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

A special "Thank You" goes to the wonderful staff of Rosewood Assisted Living, Ft. Oglethorpe, GA and Life Choice Hospice. Their care and loving kindness will always be remembered.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Elizabeth Lee United

Methodist Church, youth and hunger bank fund, P.O. Box 126, Chickamauga,
GA 30707

There will be an interment service in the chapel of Wilson Funeral Home-J.
Avery Bryan Chapel on Saturday, February 21, 2015 at 1:00 pm, with Rev
Terry Burns officiating.

Arrangements by Wilson Funeral Home-J. Avery Bryan Chapel.

Tribute Wall

GF

“ I have so many grand memories of Bruce and Elma, but the fondest was the last time I saw them. Mom and I went to visit Elma at the nursing facility she lived at and in walks Bruce and his sisters. They brought him to see Elma, and there they sat, side by side holding hands. I had a hard time keeping my tears at bay until we got in the car to leave. RIP Bruce, Elma, Arvil, Jenny, Bob and Nell, my childhood parents. Hugs Renee, I love you.

Glenda Mullis Familant - Hampton, VA - friend - February 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ I am thrilled that mother and I got to visit with Uncle Bruce back during the summer. I will always remember our visit!
Now, I must share my favorite Uncle Bruce story-
I was maybe three and had just gotten a new pair of white high-top shoes. Uncle Bruce (being Uncle Bruce) told me to kick him just as hard as I could-so I did. However, I got the spanking NOT Uncle Bruce. Marshall (my father) told me "I should have known better than to kick an adult". I remember visiting him in the jewelry store. Then when Evan came along, Uncle Bruce would walk with us to the pond behind the store so Evan could wade in the pond. There are so many wonderful memories-
Love always,
Jane Hotchkiss

Jane Hotchkiss - Sheffield, AL - niece - February 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TN

“ Too many memories to list here, but suffice it to say I always looked forward to visiting with my Uncle Bruce. Now riding with him - that was an adventure! Every time I pick up my watch, class ring, bracelet, or necklace I think of him. He made me into perhaps the most popular boy in school as he always allowed me to cheaply purchase my girlfriend gifts! And then my wife's engagement ring - the man knew how to create love! I shall miss him greatly - and the good times we shared.

Tim love - Cumming, GA - Nephew - February 22, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ BRUCE, IT WAS GREAT TO HAVE YOU AND ELMA AS A GREAT FRIEND MY MOTHER AND I REALLY ENJOYED TAKEN CARE OF ELMA, SHE WAS A ANGEL. AND SO WAS RENEE I WILL NEVER FORGET YOU ALL, WE LOVED YOU ALL JANICE VIAR , JEAN KEITH

janice viar - astridge tenn, TN - fiend - February 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Mr. Bruce may you rest in peace. You have given of yourself to so many with your kindness, that wonderful mischievous smile. And that special wave of your hand to greet others, your positive attitude and love of nature and your country.

You have been a pillar of strength to Rosewood residents with your wonderful attitude and of course your love for, "Rosie " the dog.

You will be so very missed, never forgotten, and will always be remembered with love.

Thelma Parker- RoseWood resident

Marilyn Haik - daughter of Thelma and friend of Bruce Nance

Marilyn - Ft Oglethrope, GA - friend - February 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ Some of my favorite childhood memories include Bruce. My parents, Lee and Gerry, adored him. Weekly visits from Bruce and Maurice to play Rook was always something I looked forward to. We loved regular visits with Bruce and Elma too- particularly mountain drives on Sunday afternoons with a watermelon in the trunk, stopping at a country store for hoop cheese and boiled peanuts, getting cold water from a spring spotted by Bruce or my dad, is a warm memory, too. I've retold many of Bruce's jokes to my children! They know him through me.

Becky Suggs Richardson - Calhoun, GA - family friend - February 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ Mr Nance you are and forever will be in our hearts??

Tami & Mark Bennett - February 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ Bruce was such a good friend to me and I always enjoyed time with him and Elma when they visited Arvil and I at the farm. He remained a supportive friend after Arvil passed and I will always love him and be grateful to him. I pray God gives all of you peace and comfort in the time ahead.
My heartfelt condolences,
Brenda Plemmons

Brenda Plemmons - Fort Oglethorpe, GA - friend through Arvil Wallace - February 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.

Kathy Ivey Talley - Chickamauga, GA - Long time friend - February 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ I have nothing but smiles when I think of Bruce. His silly tale twisters at the Lions meetings always kept me laughing. He welcomed me in to the club a few years ago and always greeted me with a sweet hug. I will miss him - he touched my life and I will miss him.

Sandy Hunt - Chickamauga, GA - Lions Club Member and Friend - February 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ Bruce may you rest in peace my friend. Our children in particular Danny were heart broken when we told them of "Mr. Bruce's" passing. Our deepest sympathy to the Nance family. It was a blessing having known Bruce and being able to call him my friend.

Rick Huggins - Ringgold - Friend - February 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM