



Bruce Coffey

March 16, 1946 - July 22, 2010

Obituary of Bruce Coffey

Bruce Patrick Coffey, 64, passed away peacefully at his home on July 22nd, 2010 in The Villages, FL. Bruce was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on March 16th, 1946. After shoveling snow off the roof of his home in West Allis, WI in the winter of 2001 he happily decided to move to The Villages in 2002. Bruce was a veteran of the U.S. Army and was proud to have served his country in Vietnam. He was a retired semi driver for United Parcel Service with 32 years of service where he was honored for his many years of safe driving. His love of bowling overflowed to the endless number of people he helped. He enjoyed riding his Harley with his wife Becky and dear friends. Bruce also enjoyed boating, golfing, and had a love for animals. Bruce touched many people with his smile, sense of humor, and quick wit. He will be deeply missed by his countless friends and family who were blessed to have known him.

He was the beloved husband of Becky (nee Krawczyk) and was adored by his children Cheryl Kandler-Krutina and Craig (Tresa) Coffey. He was the proud grandfather of Caine Kandler, Brenden Coffey, Cayden Krutina, and Calista Krutina. Bruce will be fondly remembered by his siblings Myrna Carey, Theresa (Joe Flechner) Fenning, and Greg Fenning. He is now welcomed HOME by his father and mother William and Clara Fenning, sister Lorna

Pecard, and nephew Danny Carey.

Friends and family are invited to celebrate his life on Saturday, August 7th, 2010 at Beyers Funeral Home, 134 N. Hwy 27/441, Lady Lake, FL 32159. Visitation will be from 11:00 to 1:00PM with service to follow at 1:00 PM.

Memorial donations may be sent to the amazing people who gave such wonderful care to Bruce at Hospice of Marion County, 3231 SW 34th Avenue, Ocala, FL 34474.

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Tribute Wall

JU

“ sorry to hear the bad news .he should have lived a lot longer.

jeff gnas ups - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ Dear Becky, We are deeply saddened by the passing of Bruce. However, we did not know Bruce for very long, but he won our hearts with his charming smile and great sense of humor. He was always eager to give us a quick bowling tip when needed. We valued his friendship, and socializing with him. We truly will miss him. Becky, we extend our sympathy to you and your family. Your friends, Jerry & Carol Hubert

Becky & Family - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BK

“ Dearest Becky You have our deepest sympathy. We find this impossible. Our return to The Villages in October just won't be the same!! His smile, his walks with Buddy and his helping hand will never be forgotten! Wish we were there so we could help in some small way. Love Bill & kKaren

Bill & Karen - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Dear Becky: I am deeply sorry for your lose. He will be missed by o many friends and family. Thank you for keeping us informed through these difficult days. Ron Burgardt

Ron Burgardt - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ He was a very good person , I had hoped someday we could have had a chance to visit. He is going to a better place to make the people who have past before us happy with his great personality.
Jim and Jan

Jim Sincere - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PG

“ *Becky Our thoughts and prayers are with you. God Bless.....Pete & Nancy Gitzel*

Pete & Nancy Gtzel - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *Knowing Bruce only slightly, it is always a sad day to loose a fellow player... God will take care of him now... Blessings to all his family...
Dave*

Dave Davis - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AL

“ *Becky and Buddy, Words can't express how deeply sorry Al and I are for your tremendous loss of a loving husband and father. We all have fond memories of Bruce. Al and I will miss Buddy taking Bruce for a walk around the neighborhood and stopping at our house for Buddy to collect his treat. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Al & Mary Leone - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ *Bruce was not only a great bowler but a great person who could light up a room with his presence. We will miss you. God Bless*

Rob & Jan Wiltsie - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

HP

“ *Becky, so sorry to here about Bruce. You have my heartfelt condolences*

Henry Pynakker - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GA

“ *We will forever remember Bruce. He was truly a warm, friendly always quick to make you laugh kind of guy. Our saddest condolences from the bottom of our hearts.*

Gary & Lynn Allain - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ *Please know that you are loved and in my thoughts and prayers. Trust in the Lord and he will see you through in this most painful time. Bruce had a special gift of touching the lives of all who knew him and he will be greatly missed. Cherish the memories for no one can ever take them away as I will remember all the special times we shared. Watching you two together was truly a LOVE STORY!*

Betty Christman - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.*

Richard & Kitty Gillissie - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ *I knew Bruce through bowling in Wisconsin. He was a great competitor, but most of all Bruce was a great sportsman God Bless.*

Jace & Peggy Peterson - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ *Becky, I'm so very sorry for your loss.*

Pete Couture - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ *Becky & Bruce's Family; I am so sorry to hear of Bruce's passing. It was a shock to me. I so enjoyed working with him and knowing him as a friend for the last 30 plus years. Its hard to believe. My best to you, Becky. God bless you! Lee*

Lee Doll - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *Becky. So sorry to hear about Bruce's passing, we will miss him. There will always be a warm place in our hearts for Bruce and you. We met you just after you moved to the Villages and Bruce bowled in the sweeper. You both were very sincere and friendly, Bruce and I made it to the final three that day and enjoyed bowling each other and later that day we bumped into you at the cruise-in. We have been friends ever since, with many fond memories of our times together. God bless you and may he help you through your time of sorrow. Bob & Bev*

Bev & Bob Hafer - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ *Dear Becky, So sorry for your loss. Bruce lived life as he wanted.....with you in Florida. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Bea*

Bea Popple - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ To my Dad, The last day I saw you...the look in your eyes will forever be in my memory. For the guidance you gave me I am forever grateful. For the many talks and time we shared I remember the joy it brought. You were my best friend, the one I counted on. You never let me down. Its hard to accept that you are gone but I know that you are now an angel watching over me. The day you passed there were storms and I caught myself smiling because it was then that I knew you made it to heaven...for the angels were crying for joy and the thunder was you bowling the best game of your life. You were the best dad a daughter could ask for and I feel blessed that you were mine...just not for long enough. Love you always, Kiddo

Cheryl - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Sincere condolences to the whole Coffey family. Bruce, may you be greeted at the pearly gates with eternal miller lites! you deserve everyone of them. god bless you. Be strong Becky. Hugs from NH..
Scott & Faye

Scott & Faye Mihal - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LO

“ Becky metting you and Bruce for the firsr time back in january for jim and my birthday was a great friendship for nor knowing eather one of you was great.Diane and myself will always rember the both of you even though we just met for a short time.God bless and we will always's rember the both of you. Lou & Diane Guidi

lounam67@gmail.com - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ Our heartfelt condolences to you and your family. We are so truly sorry for your loss. He will forever be remembered with a big smile and bigger heart.

Mike Trevorrow and Regina Aringer - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

HH

“ Becky Sorry to hear of Bruce's passing. He has left an empty place in the hearts of many people who loved him. We will miss him. Be strong and we hope to see you in August. If we can be of any help, feel free to let us know. Herb & Sandy

Herb & Sandy Hafer - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

FM

“ Dear Becky: We are truly sorry for your loss. May God Bless and Keep You in His Care. Most Sincerely, Frank & Bev

Frank & Bev Mercede - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Our deepest sympathies to Becky and the extended Coffey family. Bruce was a great friend and exceptional human being. He will be truly missed by all.

Jim & Judy Mihal - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

OC

“ Becky & Family, Olga and I are so sorry about the loss of Bruce. We were shocked to here this. Please let us know if there is anything we can do for you doing this difficult time. Your in our thoughts and prayers. Love, Olga and Larry

Olga & Larry Combs - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ To one of the best friends we have ever had. Bruce and Becky were and are our Florida family. We have shared many wonderful times and were more than just neighbors. Bruce introduced us to bowling and Harley riding..... his patience and caring enabled us to ease into both. He will be truly missed by all who came in contact with him. We shared many stories and experiences and a few "Frosty Treats" too. We will never forget all he has given us and the true friendship we shared. We love you Bro.... Jim & Judy

Jim & Judy Mihal - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Becky, Our deepest sympathy, this has really touched our lives and we just don't know the right words to comfort you. Please accept our love and prayers and don't hesitate to ask for anything you might need. Your freinds Bob & Caren

Bob & Caren Coffey - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



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JO

“ Bruce was one of the most pleasant, professional and personable individual with whom I worked during my 30 years at UPS. I feel honored to have known and worked with Bruce during our careers and am sorry to hear of his untimely passing. Sincerely, Jim Van Orsdol

Jim Van Orsdol - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PD

“ I hadn't seen you guys in a while so I was really shocked when I got the new! If its any consolation he is in a better place!! Hang in there, you are in my prayers.

Phyllis Dudley - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Bruce was in Feeders, I was in Package at UPS, but we had great times golfing together with Bill Darby. Carol still talks about the time you picked Bruce up with a limo after our golf trip to SC. Take care...Dick & Carol Morrow

Dick Morrow - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ To Becky & the rest of the Coffey family, We're so very sorry for your loss. He was a very good man and a hero for serving his country. He will be missed and always thought of fondly as "creme and sugar". If there's anything we can do.....You're in our hearts and prayers.

Joanne & Paul Tutzke - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ Becky and family, I knew Bruce for years in Wi. I am so sorry for your loss. You all are in my thoughts and prayers. God Bless. Russ

Russ Southcott - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EP

“ Becky. Sorry to read about Bruce. I meet him and you at the bowling lanes and the Publix store.

Earl & Barb Pinckney - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

FC

“ *Becky and Family, Our condolences on your loss. Bruce touched so many lives; and will be missed by countless people. It was our privilege to have known him.*

Frank and Norma Conklin - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GR

“ *Our deepest sympathy. Bruce will be missed by all of his friends in The Villages. Gloria and Danny*

Gloria and Danny (dangerous Dan) Ryan - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *Becky & Family We are sad to hear of your loss. Bruce was a good & caring person who liked everyone. Our deepest condolences to you. I just lost my Mom & sister in law within the last 5 weeks. Its very hard. Jim & Judie*

Jim & Judie Schneider - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ *Becky, So very sorry to hear of Bruce's passing, We didn't even know he had been sick. We'll keep you in our prayers. It's always so hard to lose your husband & best friend. If Bruce was to you like Bob is to me, a constant companion. What a loss. He will be missed by oh, so many friends. May God be with You, Becky and know you in our prayers. Lynn & Bob*

Bob & Lynn Gallipeau - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *Becky, we are so very sorry for your profound loss. Although we only met you once, Jim & Judy talk of your friendship often. The loss is great for them too. We will keep you in our prayers, Becky. Yours is a rough road to travel but you have your memories and the assurance that you did everything possible for Bruce in his hours of need. Fondly, Jane & Dennis Contois*

Jane & Dennis Contois - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ *Becky & Buddy, Manny and I are deeply saddened of the news of Bruce's passing. Everytime we were in your company, it was evident that you were truly a perfect match...fun, loving and full of life. You'll always have those memories to cherish. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your families.*

Manny & Penny Lopez - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ *Becky, We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Bruce was such a great guy! He made you very happy! I am very glad that you guys came to visit us at the beach 2 years ago when we were in Florida. It was a great time! Hope you are doing well my dear friend. I love you!!! Please keep in touch and let me know if you need anything. Love to all of you! xoxo Susie*

Susie Rewasiewicz & Family - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KK

“ *Dear Becky, So sorry to hear of your loss. Bruce & I knew each other as feeder drivers in Oak Creek. My condolences to the entire family. Beautiful website and music to honor him!*

Karen Krause - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Bruce and my late husband, Tom Sumner, worked, bowled and tipped a few beers together over the years. They were very good friends. I am so sad to know he's gone, but, remembering the fun we had when both men were here. God speed, Bruce.

Mary Sumner-Nerbun - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ Becky - You have my deepest sympathies. Unfortunately I will be out of town when you have the services for Bruce. Best Wishes - Sam

Sam Anzalone - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

FC

“ Dear Becky and Buddy, Our hearts go out to you at this very sad time. We were honored to know Bruce. He was a great neighbor, a wonderful man, and had the gift of making everyone he met feel special. We loved his quick wit and quiet kindness. We are so sorry we will not be in Florida for his service. You are in our thoughts and prayers. God Bless. Love, Frank and Mary Lou

Frank and Mary Lou Cabbage - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Becky, We were so shocked and deeply saddened upon hearing the news. Our hearts and prayers go out to you in this difficult time. Bruce truly was "ONE OF THE GOOD ONES" and will be missed by all whose lives he touched. Once again, may God be with you in this time of need. Dan and Marge

Dan and Marge - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ Dear Becky, So so sorry about Bruce. He was a great guy, great friend and really a fun guy to spend time with. Loved his quick wit and dry sense of humor. We will really miss him, and will be thinking about you and hoping you are doing ok. You were so strong for him and there for him all the time. He couldn't have asked for any more than what you had done with and for him. Jerry and Carol

Jerry & Carol Teel - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EF

“ I think this poem says it all..... God saw you getting tired and a cure was not to be. So he put his arms around you, and whispered "Come to Me". With tearful eyes we watched you, and we watched you fade away. Although we loved you dearly, we would not make you stay. A golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands now rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us He only takes the best.

Ed & Barb Fenstermacher - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Craig Sorry to hear about your dad. You and your family are in my prayers. Grandma Joann Daley

Joann Daley - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ Becky, We are so sorry for your loss. Bruce is on to a bigger & better place. We know that he is watching down upon you. Cherish all your memories, there must be some great ones. We will miss his smiling face & easy going manner.

Elaine & Charlie Beckler - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ Dear Becky & to my cousins, Chery & Craig, God bless you and your families at this very sad time. May He hold you gently and bring you comfort in the friends & family that surround you now. Thinking of Uncle Bruce always brought a smile to my face because I knew he was out there enjoying life to the fullest. From a youngster on, I always thought he was the epitome of cool. I can still remember him imitating the Fonz back in the day. I share in your sorrow & will keep you in my prayers. With love and our sympathy, Linda & Jim

Jim & Linda(Pecard)Virant - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ Becky, I have only known you for a short time and Bruce was a great guy. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Tammy

Tammy Morgan - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ Becky, I was so saddened to read Bruce's obituary in the Milw Journal this morning. He was such a sweet guy and the two of you were wonderful together - what a heartache. Please know that you and your family are in my prayers. Katy Pfaff (we worked together at Chrysler)

Katy Pfaff - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ Becky, My deepest sympathy. Bruce was a unique and wonderful person. He will be truly missed by all. May the lord guide you through this tragic time in your life. My prayers are with you and your families. Dick Tonstad

Dick Tonstad - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *Becki and Family. Our deepest condolences in this hour. Bruce was a good friend and mentor to me. His knowledge and willingness to help anyone become a better bowler and person will be sorely missed. Love John & Yvonne Crosby*

John & Yvonne Crosby - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ *Becky and family, We were so very sorry to hear of the loss of Bruce. He was a great man who always brought a smile to our faces. Our thoughts are with all of you in your time of loss and celebration of his wonderful life he lived. Take care Dave and Donna Fina*

Dave & Donna Fina - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ *What a wonderful friend Bruce was to my parents, Al & Ellie LaValley. My brother and I are grateful to have known Bruce. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Becky and Bruce's family.*

Kathy LaValley - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *Dear Becky Again we are so very very sorry to hear of your loss. He will surely be missed. He was always a good guy to work with and we had many good times in the past. Our thoughts and our prayers are with you at this sad time. Keep in touch.*

Razz and Sandy - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Dear Becky: We were so saddened to hear of Bruce's passing. He was a great guy, & teammate. We always enjoyed your company & we will miss him. Should you ever need anything feel free to call on us. May God bless & keep you in this time of need, Bill & Ange

Bill & Ange McDermott - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Becky We all lost touch after your move to Florida which is sad but we have often talked about how great it was that you two decided to get out of Wisconsin and "do it your way" I'm glad the time you had there was so great. My prayers are with you, Craig, Cheryl and the entire family. My greatest memories of Bruce all center around his incredible sense of humor. He will be missed. Sue Russell

Sue Russell - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Becky & Family, Lenny & I were shocked and saddened to hear about Bruce. He was a true Gentleman on and off the lanes. We will miss seeing him. God Bless You, The Biondi's

Lenny & Susan Biondi - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ To all who loved Bruce, I will miss Uncle Bruce. I remember wrestling with him when I was a kid. We out numbered him and overwhelmed him but he took it with a smile. (He let us win) I always looked up to him and he made me feel welcome. He was a good uncle. I was happy for him when he retired and moved to Florida. I always pictured him happy there. I will miss him, he has gone to soon, Richard Pecard

Richard Pecard - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ *Dear Becky & family, I had the pleasure of working with Bruce when I worked at Fiesta. He was a classy man, with a great sense of humor. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Suzanne Carr & Leo Carbocci - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ It is still so hard to believe that Bruce has left us....but I know for a better place....i believe he was welcomed with open arms by our Lord and Saviour and any of his friends and loved ones who have gone before....I hope he will be part of our welcoming committee when we arrive at our destination....We hope that our loved ones who are there get to know him now as we did...a great and wonderful friend and our favorite male bowler....we loved watching him with that natural smoothness he had on the lanes.....and ,yes,as a person kindness and friendliness was just a natural part of him. We are really going to miss seeing him, but feel so privileged that we got to know him and also you,Becky...We love you and will be there for any support you need from us...you are such a special person yourself... you and Bruce were just made for each other...it was so evident in the way you two carried yourselves when together or apart...you were both so committed to one another. I know Bruce must have thanked his lucky stars many times for you,Becky . You took such special care of him and never allowed him to get too discouraged or give up too easily.I have a quote I came across one time that Mel and I know to be true from our experience with this when we were faced with this with our losses. I hope it is of some help to you..." You don't get over it, You just get through it....You don't get by it because you can't get around it...It doesn't get better,it just gets different....every day that follows grief just puts on a new face"...We can honestly say that you learn to live with it and be thankful for all the good times you had together and with your many friends and relatives. What a wonderful song you picked for this Memorial....it is very fitting...wish we could be there to help celebrate Bruce's life, but other commitments made it impossible..we are praying for you,Becky and think of you all the time. We will see you in a couple weeks. May God surround you with His love. Love Bonnie and Mel

Mel and Bonnie - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Rest in Peace Bruce, The world is a lesser place with out you. Bless You Becky we are here for you anytime. Moe & Marie

Moe & Marie Mosley - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ Dear Becky, I am so saddened to hear this news about Bruce. My sincerest condolences to you, Cheryl, Craig and the entire family. It has been awhile since I've seen you and Bruce (probably tax season, 2001) but I know you were so looking forward to the new adventures life would show you in Florida. From reading the tributes it sounds like you've made many good friends and had lots of good times. He's a great guy, one of the smoothest bowlers I have ever known and I know he adored you. Don't be afraid to lean on your friends during this time. I'll think of him when I hear the roaring thunder and know the angels have met their match on the lanes! My thoughts and prayers are with you. Pam Atwood

Pam (Cameron) Atwood - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Dear "First Lady" : There is only one regret after all the hours spent with Bruce over the past too few years. I never told him what an honor and pleasure it was to have had that time. It didn't matter whether we were conducting business, competing, or just passing some time. Me and anyone else in his company were always better after the experience. So, late as I am, I still thank you Bruce for the relentless good humor; the respect you gave to all, and; the unquestioning friendship you offered to the world.

Don Ferguson - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Skip and I sincerely want to send our condolences for Bruce. We only met him a few times, but we sincerely enjoyed knowing him. Bless all of you and may God get you through this difficult time.

Skip & Cathy Ruppert - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ Becky, I am so sorry to hear Bruce passed on. My deepest condolences to you and your family.

Sue Kubisiak - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ I'm sorry to hear of Bruce's passing. I fondly remember many nights at the bowling alley with my my dad (Jerry) and Bruce. They would have their fun while Craig and I ran around the alley and harassed them for change for the games. Good times! I'm sure he and my dad are catching up on those good times in heaven as we speak. May those memories help you through these difficult times.

Jennifer Leifer (nee Frump) - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Becky, Someone once told me in life you may only get one or two chances to do something good. My chance came the day I met Bruce, he was one hell of a guy. We will miss him very much, and I hope I will see Bruce in Heaven one day. God bless you Becky

Joe and Mary - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

HC

“ Sorry for the lost of your husband.Hope you can get confort knowing you have a lot of friends that will be there to help lou through this.

Henritta Cobb - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RT

“ *Sorry to hear of Bruce's passing. Our condolences to you Becky and the family.* ”

Rick and Karen Torke - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

HP

“ *Bruce will be missed, he was a great person* ”

Hank Posnanski - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM