



## Bernard Heavey, Jr.

May 23, 2015

Dr. Bernard J. Heavey Jr.

Surfside Beach

Dr. Bernard J. Heavey Jr. of Oceanside Village, Surfside Beach and proud of his Irish heritage, passed on to celestial peace on May 23, 2015.

He was born in Worcester, Mass and married to Betty M. Svedine Heavey for 63 years. He was the father of four children, whom he loved dearly. They are Bryan Heavey (Carol) of Dallas, TX, James Heavey (Mary Jane) of Monmouth, NJ, Pamela A. Murphy (Maurice) of Ivoryton, CT, Nancy M. Tantone (Richard) of West Islip, NY and six grandchildren.

Bernie worked as a Administrative NCO in the Army for six years, serving three of them in Tokyo, Japan. He graduated from American International College, and received a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting. He received a Masters Degree in Education, with a minor in Counseling from Worcester State College, then obtained his Doctorate in Business Administration from Kensington University. For the majority of his life, Bernie taught in the field of education both in secondary schools and at the college level. After moving to SC, Bernie worked with security at OSV. Bernie belonged to the following groups: the Loyal Order of the Moose; the Masons, rising to master mason for

lodges 419 where he was past Master and lodge 353; the Scottish Rite, York Rite College #13; Knights Templar; Order of Amaranth, past patron and the Eastern Star, past patron.

A memorial service will be held 11:00 am, Saturday, May 30, 2015 at Shepherd of the Sea Lutheran Church, with visitation taking place one hour prior at the church.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorial donations be made to Shepherd of the Sea Lutheran Church, 2637m S. Hwy 17, Murrells Inlet, SC 29576. The family would also like to thank the staff, especially Sarah at Grand Strand Health Care, for their assistance.

Sign a guestbook at [www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com](http://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com)

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Hi Brian--So sorry for you losing a best friend. I lost one myself. The void can never be filled. I can only think of my dad and how I felt. Take care*

*Scott Linane*

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**Scott** - May 28, 2015 at 09:19 PM



“ *Mr Heavey was more than just my neighbor. I have always considered him my second Dad.*

*I think I spent more time at the Heavey's house than my own. I've always considered myself the 5th Heavey kid. (Kind of like the 5th Beatle!)*

*Family was always important to him. He always seemed to be there no matter what else he had going on. Being a parent, looking back, I don't know how he did it. Working several jobs and being an active member of church and other organizations, yet still managed to get us to Byron Lake, the Mall or Swim Meets. (Always a Charleston Chew stashed in the center console of his van!)*

*As a teacher I respected him. He was no-nonsense and fair. I have a hard time texting today because I still want to type the way he taught me, on a keyboard with both hands using all my fingers.*

*He was also my class advisor. I still have memories of float building him taking me to school on his motorcycle and yes... the Junior Prom in the gym!*

*Most of all, I remember the man who set an example for me. Someone who worked hard, but knew when to take time out, loved his family, consistently bettered himself through education and experience, got involved and gave of his time. He encouraged me to pursue higher education, believed in me and helped to make me the person I am today.*

*Thank you Bernie for all that you have given me.*

*Love,  
Laura McLaughlin*

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Laura McLaughlin - May 28, 2015 at 09:07 AM

EP

“ *The kindest teacher. He won my trust with truth, understanding and kindness.*

*Never any negativity when I took him into confidence. To me at that young age, he was a Savior.*

*A life that only left you smiling if you had the honor of knowing our dear Mr. Heavey.*

*My prayers for the family.*

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**Eusebia Paez** - May 27, 2015 at 07:05 PM

JE

“ *Bernie was a kind and gentle man and will be missed by us and all who knew him. We send our condolences to Betty and all of the family.*

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**Jack Ebright** - May 27, 2015 at 12:47 PM

WU

“ *RIP Soldier !!!  
Wayne Williams  
United States Marine Corps*

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**Wayne Williams - USMC** - May 26, 2015 at 09:21 PM

KM

“ *Bryan, Carol and family. We're so sorry for your loss. I hope you all have many happy memories with your dad. Keep them close to your hearts, and one day the tears will be replaced with smiles when you think of him.*

*Karen & Joe Incorvaia*

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**karen mardarello-incorvaia** - May 26, 2015 at 04:46 PM

BC

“ Betty, Bill and I are so sad to hear about Bernie passing. I will always remember him walking by our house every day. He was loved by all who knew him. Always had a joke and a smile. Love you both. Bill and Joann Chewning

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**Bill and Joann Chewning** - May 26, 2015 at 02:56 PM

LZ

“ To Mrs. Heavey, Pam & Murph and family - I always remember Mr. H with a smile on his face and a having a real zest for life. He loved teaching and learning and never seemed to mind an extra friend or two hanging around at his home. May he rest in peace and I hope you are comforted by all of your happy memories with him as well.

*Lynne Zastawny and family...*

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**Lynne Zastawny** - May 26, 2015 at 07:05 AM



“ Pam I'm so sorry for you and your family's loss. Your dad was a great teacher. I have wonderful memories of him teaching typing class. I'm sure he will missed by many!

*Christine Colecchia*

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**Christine Colecchia** - May 25, 2015 at 11:02 PM

LT

“ Remembering my typing class...he was a great teacher. May you rest in peace, Mr. Heavey. May your famy find peace and comfort with each other during this time.

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**Lori Hoffman Taylor** - May 25, 2015 at 10:31 PM

JL

“ Mrs. Heavey, Pam, Brian, Jim and Nancy (and all the extended family),  
So sorry to hear about Bernie. He and Betty always made us feel so welcome in the island of Long! We will keep all you of you in our prayers..RIP Mr. H.

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**Janis and Jay Largesse** - May 25, 2015 at 07:54 PM

PE

“ Bernie was a wonderful neighbor and we always enjoyed talking with him. He will be greatly missed in Oceanside Village. Betty, you are in our thoughts and prayers. Roy and Patsy Emory

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**Patsy and Roy Emory** - May 25, 2015 at 07:26 PM

DS

“ It was 1971, I was 17, a senior and a frightened withdrawn young girl. Without Mr. Heavey, I would not have pursued a career with the government and I shudder to think how I would have lived and where I would be today. I had a great career and now retired in the Upstate of SC. My husband Michael and I visited Bernie and Betty last Summer. It was so good to see my mentor as it turned out one last time. Words cannot express my feelings of respect and appreciation for him. We hope to be there Saturday, to wish Bernie a speedy trip to our Lord where we will meet again. <3  
Debbie and Michael Shafer

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**Debbie Shafer** - May 24, 2015 at 08:08 PM