



Matthew Van Bourgondien

May 15, 1935 - November 2, 2023

Conway... Matthew Joseph Van Bourgondien, 88, of Conway, SC and formerly of East Hampton, Connecticut, passed away Thursday, November 2, 2023 in a Myrtle Beach, SC., hospital after a brief illness.

Matthew was born in Holland, a son of the late Charles and Marie Nelis Van Bourgondien. He was a member of the Frassati Catholic Church in Carolina Forest, a veteran of the U.S. Army, loved Trivia and had a passion for horticulture.

He is preceded in death by his parents; a son, Larry Van Bourgondien and 8 siblings.

Surviving are his devoted and loving wife of 36 years, Patty Wise Van Bourgondien; 7 children, Thomas Van Bourgondien and his wife, Chris, Andrew Van Bourgondien and his wife, Betsy Brandt, Jack Van Bourgondien, Lynn Cuff and her husband, Terry, Thys Van Bourgondien, Jean Van Bourgondien and her husband, Brooks Smith, and Caroline Van Bourgondien; daughter-in-law, Marsha Van Bourgondien; sister, Florence Kok; 9 grandchildren and his special canine companion, Casey.

Please sign the online guest book at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is assisting the family.

Tribute Wall

DB

“ Dear Patty: Thinking of you all. Uncle Matt was a wonderful person with an infectious laugh and great sense of humor. We are so sorry for you loss. XO Dolores & Mark

Dolores Van Bourgondien - November 19, 2023 at 11:49 AM

CK

“ Patty, We are so sorry for your loss. Prays for you and your family. You are such a special person who I hold dear in my heart

Cindy Karlson - November 19, 2023 at 10:29 AM

LZ

“ Patty, So very sorry for the loss of your husband. Matt always had a smile on his face and a kind word to all he met.

Lauren D Zimmitti - November 19, 2023 at 10:23 AM

CB

“ Dad was an amazing man. I cant put into words how grateful I am to have had him for my dad. I miss you dearly dad. I will always remember your laugh and all the fun times we had together. You are at peace now and I know it will always be watching over us as we carry on with our lives. You will always be forever in my heart. I love you dad so much.

Caroline Van Bourgondien - November 19, 2023 at 09:14 AM

JA

“ My deepest sympathy to you, Patty and family. Uncle Matt, the “baby” of his family of eleven; was an amazing husband to you Patty, as well as a Dad, grandfather and uncle. Dan and I were fortunate to visit with you and Uncle Matt in Connecticut a few years ago. Our family always had fond memories with Uncle Matt and our cousins when he lived in Long Island many years ago. Enjoyed talking to him...he always had a wealth of knowledge on many subjects! He always had a smile on his face and loved his contagious laugh. I loved Uncle Matt and will miss him deeply. Prayers to you and the family during this difficult time. RIP Uncle Matt!!

Jeanette Adams - November 07, 2023 at 12:27 PM

PL

“ I'm so sorry for your loss, Patty and my cousins. He was a wonderful uncle and he will be sorely missed by my entire family as well. Love always, your cousin, Patty

Patricia Langeveld - November 07, 2023 at 12:13 PM

ED

“ *Matthew Van Bourgondien and I first met in 2015, over the green bananas in our local supermarket. He laughed when I loudly expressed my dissatisfaction, and thus began a friendship between my husband, myself, Patty, Matt and Casey VBG.*

Matt was always eager to keep his mind sharp, and regaled us with his extensive knowledge of geography, good health practices and remedies, WWII history, and healthy recipes (even homemade chocolate!). He had a great sense of humor, a ready laugh, and always had a twinkle in his eye and a baseball cap on his head.

He and Patty warmly welcomed us into their home on many occasions. The first time, he taught us Heemskerk Sjoelbak, a Dutch shuffleboard game, which was a blast!

We spent many happy hours together on the weekends, trying out different breakfast restaurants, going for long walks with Casey in the countryside, attending holiday fairs, even a chowder competition at Mystic Seaport. Matt and Patty were always full of fun ideas for what to try next.

We were so sorry when they moved from CT, but were glad that they found a lovely home and friends in their adopted state of SC.

We extend our deepest condolences to Patty, Jean, Caroline and the entire Van Bourgondien family.

May Matt's spirit be at peace.

*With our love,
Eva & Mike Jaggs*

Eva DeVos-Jaggs - November 05, 2023 at 08:27 PM