



Bernard Clifton Vandervall, Jr

October 12, 1955 - August 4, 2013

Bernard Clifton Vandervall, Jr. departed suddenly on Sunday morning August 4, 2013. He dedicated his life to making people smile, through a joke, a witty word or a warm hug. As a long serving steward for 33 years in juvenile corrections, so many youth have benefited from his direction and guidance. Bernard served as Assistant Superintendent at James River Juvenile Detention Center, as well as Oak Ridge Juvenile Correctional Center. He was also an active employee at Hanover Juvenile Correctional Center.

Bernard's passion was shown through his love for the Dallas Cowboys and his blue and white brothers of Phi Beta Sigma fraternity, in addition to singing with Larry Bland and the Volunteer Choir. He also played drums for several choirs at Tabernacle Baptist Church in Chesterfield County, where he was lovingly known as "Bernie Mac". Bernard was a long standing member of Second Baptist Church where he was baptized at an early age after confessing Christ during Vacation Bible School. He recently sang in the Male Chorus of Second Baptist and played the drums for the same choir.

Bernard's undying love always showed for his family because their gatherings gave him warm and friendly audiences who listened intently to his comedic stories about child-hood antics.

He leaves to cherish his memory Marsha, his loving wife of 33 years, two

adoring daughters Casey and Alexandria, sister Sharon Vandervall Westinghouse, brother Hugh Andrew Vandervall, nephew Hugh Andrew Vandervall Jr., aunt Bernice Talley, uncle James O. Scott, Sr., mother-in-law Cammie Dailey, dedicated friends Gerald Stewart, John Philips, Richard Stewart, III and a host of relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Riverview Cemetery

1401 S. Randolph Street
Richmond, VA 23220

Previous Events

Public Viewing

AUG 7. 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.
Richmond, VA 23222

Private Fraternity Celebration

AUG 7. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Service

AUG 8. 12:00 PM (ET)

Second Baptist Church/Idlewood
1400 Idlewood Ave
Richmond, VA

Tribute Wall



“ *Bernard Clifton Vandervall, Jr*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss and would like to offer my condolences to your family. Death is such a terrible thing for a family to go through, I actually lost my mom about 4yrs ago. I'm truly grateful that I have the truth about death and look forward to the future when there will be a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous.”— ACTS 24:15. I'm sure you would love to see your dead loved one again in the coming Paradise here on earth! Again so sorry for your loss!!*

Ms Springer - August 09, 2013 at 05:56 AM



“ *To Marsha and family, I just heard about Bernard's passing. He was truly a great man. I was introduced to Bernard by Kenneth Booker many years ago. I found you, Marsha and Bernard to be fun and fun-loving. I'm sure he and Kenneth are sharing and catching up in HEAVEN. My condolences to you. I pray that God wraps His loving arms around you all and grant you comfort and peace. AMEN.*

Mikki Spencer - August 08, 2013 at 07:59 PM

DM

“ *What can one say at a time like this? I was in shock to hear about Bernard's passing. To his family; Marsha, I will keep you all in my prayers, I'm so sorry for your loss, Bernard was a very sweet person and he will definitely be missed but never forgotten. God loves you and so do we.*



Love Darlene Davis Mallory

Darlene Mallory - August 08, 2013 at 09:17 AM

RP

“ *Marsha, Casey and Alex, You are in my prayers. I was very sad to hear about the loss of your beloved husband and father. I pray God will provide you with strength and comfort during this difficult time. I remember all of the stories and laughs that I shared with Bernard . He was a nice man. He will be missed. God Bless ! Ruby Purifoy and family*



Ruby Purifoy - August 07, 2013 at 11:01 PM

MC

“ I was shocked when I saw Mr. Vandervall's listing, had to do a double take and still find it very hard to believe. I will miss his great smile and hardy laugh. In the time I worked as probation officer in Powhatan I learned so much from him. If there was a question to ask he had an answer or would find it for you. He will be missed. God needed help so he sent for him and he did not disobey. My prayers will be with you, God's angels will cover you till you can stand again.



*Always in My Prayers,
Marilyn Crute*

Marilyn Ctrtr - August 07, 2013 at 03:47 PM

MD

“ I was so shocked when my sister called and told me of Bernard's passing. Bernard was a wonderful person with the kindest heart of anyone I've ever met. I remember the last time I saw him when he visited me, we had so much fun remembering the good ole days of childhood and the trouble they caused. It is a memory I will always treasure. I love you Bernard ("Butch"), may you rest in peace. To his wife, Marsha, and his beautiful daughters Alex and Case .. my deepest sympathies and prayers for your loss.



*Much love,
Margaret "Deanie" Doyle*

Margaret Doyle - August 07, 2013 at 09:57 AM

VT

“ *Veola Thomas(Vee-Cee) sent a virtual gift in memory of Bernard Clifton Vandervall,Jr*



Veola Thomas(Vee-Cee) - August 07, 2013 at 09:26 AM

VT

Forgot to add Sharon in the gang that greeted Bernard at the pearly gates.

Veola Thomas(Vee-Cee) - August 07, 2013 at 09:27 AM

VT

“ *Words can not express how my heart hurts for the loss of my friend and my brother. My love goes out to Marsha and the girls. We were not ready for Bernard to leave us but God knew it was time for Bernard to come home to a mansion not built by hand. I will always cherish the memories and the laughs we had and we had some good laughs that is for sure. Bernard is now walking the pave streets of gold and I am quite sure St. Peter had to hold the gang (Annette, Arvin, Harold, Joe, Charles, Randy, Buddy Ma Mason, Floyd) and all those that went prior to my friend back so that he could check Bernard off the Heavenly roll call. Bernard will be greatly missed but he will never be forgotten cause he will always live in our hearts.*

*With Much Love.
Vee-Cee Thomas*

Veola "Vee-Cee" Thomas - August 07, 2013 at 08:35 AM

LD

“ I was taken back Sunday morning when I received that call. My love and prays go out to his wife Marsha and daughters Alex and Case. For 55 years we laughed and had each others backs. You will be missed.

Lanxton Davis - August 06, 2013 at 09:47 PM

TJ

“ Our time here is so short. He was loved by so many, we know that he is with our heavenly father in peace. Butch was a very close friend, for over 50 years to my uncle Lanny Davis. He will be truly missed, and what a wonderful man he was. My prayers go out to all his family.



Theresa Johnson - August 06, 2013 at 08:48 PM

TJ

“ Theresa Johnson lit a candle in memory of Bernard Clifton Vandervall, Jr



Theresa Johnson - August 06, 2013 at 08:38 PM



“ *Dear Marsha and Family:
I was so heart broken when I heard of the passing of Butch. He will truly be missed, but remember God has no sorrow that heaven can not heal. He has joined the heavenly band where he is playing his bongo with Annette, Arvin, Charles, Joe and Wayne singing back up. Well done good and faithful servant. Love Cookie (Cynthia Harvey)*



Cynthia Harvey (Cookie) - August 06, 2013 at 07:32 AM



“ *Cynthia Harvey (Cookie) lit a candle in memory of Bernard Clifton Vandervall, Jr*



Cynthia Harvey (Cookie) - August 06, 2013 at 07:20 AM



“ *We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

March Funeral Homes - August 05, 2013 at 04:46 PM