



Brian Guyer Davies

September 14, 1962 - November 18, 2016

Brian Guyer Davies, 54, died in his sleep in Sarasota, Florida on November 18, 2016.

He is survived by his father, Robert N. Davies of Sarasota, his sisters, Alison (Jay) Hicks of Indianapolis and Meredith (Kem) Morris of Carmel, Indiana, and seven nephews and nieces, Colin , Merritt , Robert , and Anne Hicks, Megan , Peter and John Resener.

Brian was raised by his parents, Robert Davies and his deceased mother, Mary Ellen Guyer Davies, in Indianapolis, Indiana, where he went to North Central High School. He then graduated from Duke University, Durham, NC with a BS in Zoology in 1983.

He did M.S. coursework in Biomedical Engineering at University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC, and received an A.S in Game Design and Development in 2004 from Full Sail Real World Education, Winter Park, FL.

Brian's career was as a Software Engineer for several companies in the Research Triangle Area of North Carolina, and he held several Software Team Leader positions with Alcatel Network Systems, Inc. in Raleigh, NC from 1991 through 1998.

From 1998 through 2002 Brian was the Principal Software Engineer for ONI Systems, Inc. of San Jose, CA, developing optical network software.

Brian moved to Sarasota in 2004 where he became the Principal Software Engineer and a Limited Partner in Discovery Technology in Sarasota.

Brian was very close with his family, including his father's wife, Gail Petrykanyn Davies.

His greatest joy was to travel with his family to Europe and within the United States.

Brian was an outstanding cook and his love for cooking enhanced the joy he had experiencing top culinary destinations across the globe.

He was an avid follower of the Duke Men's Basketball Team and travelled with them to China and Dubai.

Brian enjoyed the many cultural opportunities in Sarasota, particularly the Sarasota Ballet.

Brian was a volunteer at the All Faiths Food Bank and other charitable centers in Sarasota.

There will be a service for Brian in Indianapolis and his ashes will be in Indianapolis' Crown Hill Cemetery in the family plot.

In lieu of flowers donations should be made to Duke University Alumni and Development Records, Duke University, Box 90581, Durham NC 27708-0581 or the All Faiths Food Bank, 8171 Blaikie Court, Sarasota, FL 34240.

Tribute Wall

JL

“ I am saddened to hear of Brian's untimely death at far too young an age. I will always remember him as a complex person of uncommon depth. He could be demanding and challenging, but I have, and always will, recall him unequivocally as a friend. Goodbye Brian.

Jim Lah - December 14, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PE

“ Brian and I knew each other at Duke. I will always remember him as a kind and gentle soul. My deepest sympathies are with his family

Paula (Kimball) Engle - December 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GG

“ It is devastating to hear about our loss of Brian. I was in the fraternity with him at Duke, and he was kind and brilliant. I used to think about him years ago when I watched a game show involving trivia questions and figured that he would be my guy if I needed to phone a friend - a Renaissance man who was broadly educated and good to everyone around him. We lost a good one - condolences to his family.

Gary Gosnell - December 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GH

“ To my Brother and classmate, may you find joy and happiness in heaven and save a place for the rest of us Bozos until we meet again.

Gregg Harris - December 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ *Many in the Duke community feel this loss. Such a good person with great humor. We will treasure the memories. Darryl*

Darryl Webster - December 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *I lived on the same 3rd floor of Brown House at Duke University. Brian was Mr Classical music with an extensive collection of LPs that he played consistently on his phonograph. He kept the halls of the house resounding in music. Thanks Brian for sharing your joy with us.*

Joseph Consoli - December 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TK

“ *I knew Brian in college. He was such a great fun loving positive person. We will miss him. Our condolences to his family.*

Thomas Kaelin - December 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ *I am so sorry to hear this sad news. I will fondly remember Brian's wicked sense of humor, our trips to the beach, and going to ADF performances. I share your sadness. Laurie*

Laurie Braun - December 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM