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Howard Wade Armstrong, age 69, of Clarksville, TN, born July 2, 1949 to Wade and Emma Mae Armstrong went home to Our Lord, Sunday November 25, 2018. He is survived by his wife, Lorraine, his daughter M.Vickie, his son H. Wade (Jr) and daughter-in-law Arieli, his son Randy and daughter-in-law Y. Patricia, and his son Matthew. He is also survived by his grandson, Sage.

Howard's expertise was in business management and finance. In his later years, Howard was called to teach special needs children in Indian schools for New Mexico, Arizona, and Wyoming. He felt this was his greatest achievement, especially when he challenged the children, and they in turn, realized their ability in completing assignments successfully, in spelling, math and reading.

Services will not be held at this time.

Eulogy by his friend Charles Edwards

I met Howard Wade Armstrong in the second grade in 1956. I can barely remember a time we weren't friends. We lived two blocks from each other and attended the same schools with the same kids. Howard was more outgoing than I and he loved to embarrass me in a friendly sort of way. He was an outstanding athlete with great speed but was nagged by knee problems which hampered his participation in school athletics.

I met his parents and grandmother while still in the second grade. I did not know his father very well until we were adults. His mother was a wonderful woman with the voice of a drill sergeant and the heart of an angel. His grandmother was a sweetheart who was mostly deaf. Both ladies thought I was fantastic and tried to encourage Howard to be more like me. I never discouraged this belief which irritated Howard. Howard became girl crazy in the seventh grade. I stopped at Howard's home to play baseball one day but he would not play unless I called the most popular girl in our class and encouraged her to call Howard. I was extremely shy, especially around girls.



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She was kind but declined the offer. This was another humiliating ordeal for me but I wanted to play baseball.

Over the years we made many memories together. Too many to list them, but one was riding the Bullet at the fair, an experience that both increased our ability to pray and to curse. Also, Howard had a fear of wasps and nearly sank our boat in the Cumberland River when one flew around his head. Another memory is the time we double dated on Halloween and took our dates to the Bell Witch cave near Adams, TN. We never dreamed they would charge admission. I had to borrow all the money he had, \$2.00 to get in.

Howard was a caring person who had many friends. He joined the Air Force to serve his country. This led to meeting Lorraine and the rest is history.

Howard and I had many talks on many subjects. Some were silly and some serious. He was a Christian who I always thought was tortured by some of the moralist views of the Southern Protestant church. He was closer to me than my brothers. I visited him over the years in Alabama, Orlando, Tucson and many times in Clarksville. My brother has left me. I look forward to seeing him again in Heaven and we will know the answers to all things.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Howard by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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