



David Bruce Haight, Jr.

Aug. 20, 1932 ~ Sept. 21, 2020

David Bruce Haight, Jr. passed away peacefully on September 21, 2020, in his beloved Menlo Park, California home where he had lived the past 53 years.

Born August 20, 1932, in Salt Lake City to David Bruce and Ruby Olson Haight, Bruce was raised along with his two younger siblings, Robert Haight and Karen Huntsman, in Palo Alto, California.

Bruce attended Channing Elementary and Jordan Junior High School in Palo Alto. During his sophomore and junior years, the family moved to the Chicago area where Bruce attended Hinsdale High School. In 1950, he graduated from Palo Alto High School, where he played basketball and participated on the track and field 440 relay team.

A Naval ROTC student, Bruce attended the University of Utah where he joined the Sigma Chi Fraternity and met dear life-long friends. After two years, he transferred to Stanford, where he earned a degree in Political Science. He then attended the Navy Supply Corps School in Athens, Georgia, did a tour of duty in the Caribbean, and later served as an officer at the Rough and Ready Island Naval Supply Depot in Stockton, California. Following his military service, Bruce returned to Stanford and obtained his MBA.

In 1957, he married Angela Bowen, a fellow Stanford student, in the Salt Lake Temple of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. They moved to San Francisco and then to Washington, DC. In 1960, Bruce joined his father and brother at the Palo Alto Hardware Company. Later, Bruce changed careers to focus on commercial real estate and spent the remainder of his career as a broker and investor.

Bruce and Angela raised their six children in Menlo Park, where they invested deeply in community life. Bruce was an active father who pitched extra innings at neighborhood whiffle ball games, coached Little League teams, and attended countless events as a proud parent/grandparent at Oak Knoll School, Hillview School, and Menlo-Atherton High School.

For many years, he was a lunch regular at Lutticken's Delicatessen, where everyone seemed to know his name. His enthusiasm for sports never waned, and his deep ties to Paly, Stanford, and the San Francisco Giants provided the perpetual renewal of rotating seasons.

Bruce had a deep love of family and was proud of his heritage. He believed in the old-fashioned concepts of integrity, practicality and simplicity. He was proud of the fact that he never used email, only drove used Chevys and Buicks, and particularly enjoyed movies made before 1960.

Warm and gentle, Bruce lived a long, full life with a broad smile and an endearing laugh. He was a 60-year member of the Menlo Park Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and from 1994-1999, he served as bishop of the congregation that he loved.

Bruce was preceded in death by his loving wife of 55 years, Angela. Survivors include his siblings; children: David (Jenny) Haight, Wendy (Eric) Kuhnen, Dana (Kyle) Cattani, Susan (Brett) Pinegar, Nancy (Verl Allen) Haight, Jon (Veronica) Haight, 23 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

A funeral will be at 1320 Wasatch Drive, Salt Lake City, on Friday, October 2, at 11:00 AM. The family requests COVID-19 protocol be observed.

A stream of the service will be available at: http://mywebcast.churchofjesuschrist.org/saltlakemonumentparkstake The event code is 97034.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Huntsman Cancer Institute, 2000 Circle of Hope, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84112.

Bruce will be buried beside Angela in the Salt Lake City Cemetery.