



Foster Augustine Cannon

October 9, 1943 - September 14, 2017

Foster Augustine Cannon, born October 9, 1943 in Bradford, Pennsylvania passed away at Englewood Community Hospital the morning of September 14, 2017. His wife Eileen and 2nd eldest daughter Kelly were by his side. Foster or “Footy” as many knew him by, was diagnosed with Stage IV Pancreatic Cancer about three weeks prior to his death. Hurricane Irma kept most of his children from being there and added a forced evacuation during his hospital stay to Doctor’s Memorial in Sarasota for three days. Foster returned to the town of Englewood which he called home before his passing.

Foster is survived by his wife Eileen (Englewood, FL) of nearly 30 years, his children: Rene Cannon (Bradford, PA), Kelly Cannon (Englewood, FL), Denise Gore (husband: Tom; Fayetteville, NC), Melissa Roman (husband: Scott; Garland, TX), Foster Cannon II (wife: Kristina; Simi Valley, CA). Nine grandchildren: Khaila, Kimberly, Kendell, Raney, Charlie, Kailee, Jordan, Nicholas and Felicity and one great grandchild due March 2018. Three brothers Paul (wife: Julie), John, and Gregory (wife: Teri) all of Bradford, PA and 12 nieces and nephews.

Foster was preceded in death by his daughter Kimberly Anne (d. March 1, 1968), parents: Foster Wayne (d. September 17, 1994) and Frances Christine (d. February 2, 2014) and youngest brother Matthew Wayne (d. May 21, 1994).

Foster was a highly intelligent man of many talents, an entrepreneur, and a keen business man. He left his mark across the country from construction work in Pennsylvania to several businesses in Oklahoma and Arizona to designer pools and outdoor living environments along with their masonry company in Nevada, real estate with Manasota Key Realty in Florida, and most recently wind farm developments in Texas. Though he enjoyed the challenge of entrepreneurship and his numerous successes, nothing was more important than his family.

“Once a Marine, always a Marine. “Foster is a United States Marine Corp Veteran. He was stationed on the southernmost beaches of Florida protecting our borders during the Cuban Missile Crises. Foster was also deployed in Okinawa during the Korean War. While in Okinawa he achieved his black belt status in Tode-jutsu and Karatedo. This eventually led Foster to open the very first Dojo in Bradford, PA where he taught many students. To this day, there are still several Dojos in the Southern Tier Area of PA and New York that are

still based in the Karate taught to his original students.

Foster was always the life of any gathering. His laughter, keen wit, giant personality, and tremendous spirit will be missed by all especially his wife.

Foster wanted no formal services or memorial to be done. He simply wanted for family and friends to be together, enjoy one another's love and support, and to carry on remembering him with laughter and love. A family gathering will be held in Florida in December.

Semper Fi!

Comments



“ Dear Cannon Family, I like Joe Varatta and Brian Monti shared 12 years together at ST Bernard in our most formative years. There were 57 of us in June of 61 and we all knew each other very well with such a small group and many years together. As a group we morn each loss with the family. God's speed Foster we will miss you.

Tom Taylor

Thomas Taylor - October 16, 2017 at 12:37 PM



“ Dear Eileen and the rest of the family -- I regret I am just learning about Foster's passing. I was a classmate of Foster's at St Bernard's school in Bradford, and graduated with him ini 1961. The word is just circulating among our classmates. He was a great guy and we all had many happy memories. We're keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers as you mourn his loss. Fr. Dominic (Brian) Monti

Dominic Monti - October 14, 2017 at 03:18 PM



“ Foster was an amazing man. His kindness touched so many people. Foster will be missed by all but mostly his family. My heart & prayers to all.

Judi Goulart - September 30, 2017 at 04:18 PM



“ Shocked when Eileen told me of his illness. Enjoyed the short time I knew him. Small world connection, he was from Bradford and I was from Corry.

Jeff Fuller - September 24, 2017 at 07:24 PM



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Kelly Cannon - September 21, 2017 at 08:55 PM



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Kelly Cannon - September 21, 2017 at 08:06 PM



“ I grew up with Foster. He lived on River Street while in Bradford. The picture of him is the real Foster Cannon. Foster lived in Fifth Ward and grew up went to school at St. Bernard with guys like myself, John Serafini, Lou Pascarella,, Rocco Camas, Bill Manning and many more. Foster and I coached youth football together, We had a lot of fun. Foster was a fun guy to be around.

My thoughts and prayers are with Foster and his family.

God Bless

Joe Varatta

Joe Varatta - October 15, 2017 at 09:33 AM



“ I'm so sorry to hear of Foster's passing. He and Eileen were my good friends during a time in my life that I really needed good friends. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Audra Bristow-Rorick

Audra Rorick - February 06, 2020 at 04:46 PM