



Howard Batkin

January 7, 2023

Howard Batkin, 81, passed away peacefully on January 7, 2023. Howard loved classic cars, drawing and painting, having a project - especially if it meant fixing or improving things, traveling with Kathy, and seeing his family grow and thrive.

He had fond memories of growing up in Ocean View, particularly summers on the beach. He loved sports starting with playing football for his middle and high schools and later golfing, coaching softball, and watching NASCAR and NFL. He served in the National Guard and retired from the Naval Aviation Rework Facility in 1995; he enjoyed a vibrant retirement.

He will be remembered for his sense of humor and willingness to try anything his wife asked him to.

Howard is preceded in death by his parents Joe and Mae Batkin and brother Dan (Sandy). He is survived by his loving wife of 45 years Kathy; daughters Terri, Tina (BR) and Chelsey (Larry); 8 grandchildren, 8 great-grandchildren and many friends.

Service will be held on January 16, 2023, at 11 AM at Church of the Resurrection, 3501 Cedar Lane, Portsmouth. Reception to follow.

The family would like to thank the staff of Maryview Medical Center and Bon Secours Home Care for their wonderful care.

Howard was an avid supporter of Portsmouth; in lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Portsmouth Museums Foundation or Friends of the Portsmouth Public Library.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN 16. 11:00 AM (ET)

Church of the Resurrection
3501 Cedar Lane Portsmouth, VA US 23703
Portsmouth, VA 23703

Tribute Wall

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“ I will always remember Howard as handy and helpful, so kind, and often funny. Sharing time At Riverview Gallery was a delight and, of course, his artwork speaks for itself. I enjoyed the stories that inspired his paintings and I will remember him fondly,
Chris Hanger

Christine Hanger - February 12, 2023 at 12:17 PM

TB

“ Kathy, Tim and I will always treasure the fond memories of Howard over these past thirty plus years that we have been neighbors. Howard always had a story to tell or a humorous joke to share when meeting during yard work or visiting each other's garage. Tim enjoyed their conversations about vintage cars and sharing each other's work experiences. We continue to receive compliments of the beautiful painting he drew of our home. Our prayers and warmest thoughts are extended to you and your family.

Timothy and Shelia Brown - January 15, 2023 at 12:31 PM

JC

“ Kathy, I have very wonderful memories of howard. You guys were the best of neighbors anyone could ever have and I really appreciated you both, especially the life long advice. Kathy, you were a wonderful teacher as well as howard. He showed me many things I never knew, and believe me, he will be missed by many. I miss you guys and I am taken back by your loss of howard. Please know my prayers are with you and your family. God bless you all and may Howard rest in eternal peace. God be with you all, Jeff Crawford



Jeff Crawford - January 15, 2023 at 12:24 AM

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“ *Kathy, I am so sorry to learn of Howard's death, and have many happy memories of things our families did together long ago. It was always a joy, and fun, to run into him at the art shop, and see his new paintings. And to see both of you at art shows and exhibits.*

My heart felt condolences to you and yours, and I am so sorry that I can't be at the service, but you are all in my prayers, for our Lord's care, comfort, peace and strength, now and in the days ahead. Blessings to you and yours.

Bob Chauncey, CPP (Retd) - January 11, 2023 at 04:44 PM