



Harve Bell Thorn

August 11, 1942 - September 1, 2017

Harve Bell Thorn, III (Hank), age 75, of Fayetteville, Arkansas, died September 1, 2017, at home. He was born August 11, 1942, in Jonesboro, Arkansas. He was preceded in death by his parents Jean Schofner Thorn and Harve Bell Thorn, Jr. and is survived by his wife, Toni Thorn, of the home. He graduated high school from Castle Heights Military Academy. He served in the US Army for three years, receiving an honorable discharge in 1969. He earned his master's degree in education from the University of Arkansas and began a long career in the field of education. He worked at the Stavanger American School, Norway, Munich International School, Germany, International School of Yanbu, Saudi Arabia, and the American School Foundation, Mexico City, Mexico. He culminated his career with the Greenland Public Schools, retiring in 2011. His passions were cave diving, computers, and motor scooter riding. He loved and cherished his family, friends, and many students. One student from Munich International School commented, "He meant so much to so many of us. He took us seriously and we all respected him for that." He felt it was his responsibility to prepare his students for the realities that life would bring their way. In lieu of flowers, send memorial contributions to the organization of your preference. A huge debt of thanks is shared with the personnel who provided caring services at Willard Walker Hospice Home, the Circle of Life Hospice, and his amazing and cherished caregivers. A private ceremony will be held. To sign the online guest book please visit www.nelsonberna.com

Comments



“ Toni, I just learned about Harve today from Debbie Southard. You will both always be in my most wonderful memories about teaching school in Starnberg. He was always happy and made everyone around him happy too. I am so sorry for your loss.

Ann Biggers - January 16, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Toni, Geoff and I are so sorry to hear of your loss. We remember you both well. Un abrazo and love from Jennifer and Geoff Baxter.

Jennifer Baxter - September 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Toni, We remember Harve as a dear friend across many years and distances. Memories of Harve hold with us in the details of experiences and great ideas discussed. All our love from Norway, Len and Linda

Len and Linda Duevel - September 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Toni, my heart is heavy with this loss. You and Harve were a model of how I want my adult life to be. I deeply respect you both.

Susana Bloomdahl - September 26, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Toni, We are very sorry to hear about Harve. You are in our thoughts. Jennifer & Geoff.

Jennifer Baxter - September 22, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ I am truly saddened by this news. Mr. Thorn was always full of energy and I always remember him smiling or joking. He was one of my favorite teachers at ASF. Computer science was one of my favorite classes to take with him. I remember him sharing his passion for scuba diving and mapping of underwater caves. I also remember hearing about his upcoming expeditions and even seeing what he'd already mapped out. I remember him like I saw him yesterday. Toni, I am sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts. Sending you a huge, huge hug. May he rest in peace.

Suzie Baxter - September 22, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Toni, Adriana joins me in conveying our condolences to you. We were both shocked and saddened at the news. May the affection of family and friends help you through these hard times. Nuestro mas sentido pesame. Olivia Sordo, Fayetteville.

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September 17, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Toni, I was saddened with news of Hank's death. I was only around you both a few times but you made strong impressions. Much love is sent your way

Dan Farley - September 07, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Mr. Thorn was my fifth grade teacher at Greenland. I remember his love for his dogs and always pretending he was snacking on the dog food in his pockets. Good vibes and prayers for family.

Bre Karnes - September 07, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Mark and I have many, many fond memories of Harve. Harve taught school in Greenland with Mark. We all had a great deal in common, from our experiences teaching overseas to loving good food and wine. We will keep those good memories in our hearts and we send our deep condolences to Toni. Carol and Mark Widder

Carol Widder - September 06, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Hank and I were friends 60 years ago before he left Benton for Military School, his father was the best Doctor my family ever had. Hank was my friend and my prayers for his loved ones



“ Bill and I enjoyed visiting with Harve. He was a good neighbor. We smile as we picture Harve as he enjoyed watching his dog and cat as they wandered up the street. Toni, please know that you are in our thoughts.

Mary Jo & Bill Schneider - September 06, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Toni, Harve was a very special man. He was always a gentleman, kind, chivalrous, and courteous in every way. It was a genuine pleasure to work with Harve, and to call him a true friend. He touched my life, and it was brighter because I knew Harve Thorn. I am so sad to hear the world has lost this gentle man, but you will be in my thoughts and prayers for the days and times ahead.

Elaine Bozarth - September 05, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ I can remember how great of a teacher he was and how he inspired so many students with just words. He was my personal favorite in 5th grade and we all remember him to this day. Prayers for his family. You will be missed dearly!

Maegan Kelley - September 05, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ My prayers are with you! He inspired and supported me in so many ways! Most importantly, he was a true, lifetime freind. He inspired many!R

Randy Van Vranken - September 05, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ So saddened by your loss . The love you two shared was inspiring.

Nance Travis - September 05, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ I am forever blessed for knowing Harve. He was kind, gracious, charming, funny, extremely intelligent, and very ornery He is irreplaceable-a true original and I will miss him greatly! I won't ever forget the lessons he taught me by how he dealt with huge obstacles with grit, grace, and humor. Toni, you are amazing! I love you!!!?

Michelle Eudy - September 05, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Sorry for your loss, Toni. No more suffering!! That's sometimes a blessing in disguise. Thinking of you...

Karen Harkins - September 05, 2017 at 12:00 AM