



## Mr. Bruce Paul Bedford

June 28, 1940 - April 29, 2021

Bruce Paul Bedford passed away on the 29th of April, 2021 in Baltimore, Maryland at the University of Maryland Shock Trauma Center. He was 81 years old.

Bruce was born June 28, 1940 in Bridgeport, Connecticut to Elizabeth and Harry Bedford, their second child and only son. He received a Bachelor of Science from Yale University (Class of '62) and an MBA from Harvard Business School (Class of '64).

In 1964, he married Ann Logan of New Haven, Connecticut. They have two daughters, Susan and Julie. Settling in Dayton, Ohio, Ann worked as a Registered Nurse and Bruce started his career as an executive at Mead Paper Corporation.

In 1983, Bruce started his own fixed income mutual fund, Flagship Resources and delivered extraordinary returns for customers and clients over many years. In 1993, Bruce was named Ohio's Ernst + Young Entrepreneur of the Year and was nominated for American Entrepreneur of the Year. Flagship was acquired by Nuveen & Co. in 1997.

He also served on the board of directors for Antioch University, where he received a Ph. D, and served as Chancellor of the College for several years.

Bruce never really retired. In the later part of his career, he acted as investor and mentor to entrepreneurs in the USA and Canada. He helped start new companies for syndicated loans, health-tech, marine technology and others.

Busy to the end, at the time of his death Bruce was finishing his thesis for a Masters Degree in International Diplomacy at Norwich University.

He is survived by his sister Bonnie, his wife of 58 years Ann, his daughters Susan (Jason) and Julie (Doug), grandchildren Elizabeth Martin, Joseph Martin, Dylan Vanderbilt, numerous nieces and nephews, and many friends and partners he made during his very full life.

If he were here, he would buy you ice cream and tell you, “things happen, and then they pass.” Maybe you can buy ice cream for someone on his behalf.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to an educational charity of your choosing in his name.

News regarding a memorial service will follow sometime in the future, after Covid-19 restrictions are lifted.

# Cemetery

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**Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church Cemetery and Columbarium**

1214 S. Washington Street  
Easton, MD, 21601

# Events

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**NOV 11 Funeral Mass 11:00AM**

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Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church  
1210 S. Washington St, Easton, MD, US, 21601

# Comments

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“ A webcast video has been added.



**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - November 11 at 10:27 AM

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“ As a long time resident at the Homes of Perry Cabin, we knew Bruce to be our fearless Board Chair, a lovely neighbor and a good friend to my parents and to my family. Bruce was a gentleman, dignified and respectful in every way. We will miss him and send our deepest sympathies to his wife Ann and his children and grandchildren.  
Tonya Finton

**tonya finton** - November 07 at 09:46 AM

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“ Sue and I are sorry to here of Bruce's passing. He was a great man, husband, father, and to me a gifted partner and mentor at Mead and Flagship. I think of the great times we had building Flagship into a great success. He will be missed by all. May God bless him and his family.

Dick and Sue Davis

**Richard Davis** - May 13 at 09:45 AM

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“ I never met Bruce, but I know that his efforts, guidance, and collaboration created opportunities for me to succeed at Antioch. Not only was I a student (graduating in 2020) but I have also had the privilege of working with Antioch as an employee. I know that his contributions made a difference, and for that, I am very grateful for Bruce. I hope that those who knew him are finding serenity, healing and calm during this time. Rest in peace & thank you for everything.

**Mira Mead** - May 13 at 02:02 AM

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“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Bruce Paul Bedford.



May 11 at 05:03 PM

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“ I am so sorry to hear of Bruce's passing and extend prayers to the family. I know he will be missed by many and will leave a big hole in hearts of Antioch. He meant a lot to us! Blessings,  
Charla Winter, Antioch University



Charla Winter - May 07 at 11:33 AM

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“ Bruce as a friend, neighbor and Board Chairman for many years of our HOA, will be lovingly remembered for his gracious leadership and community inclusiveness. Bruce served selflessly with humility, guiding our members with his intelligence and wisdom. Bruce was open to new ideas and always expressed thanks to others for their contributions. My deep sympathies and love are with his family, may they cherish the many memories of a life well lived.

Dorie McGuinness



Dorie McGuinness - May 06 at 11:22 AM

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“ Bruce was such an important, vital and intelligent member of the Antioch Board of Governors. I enjoyed his wit and intelligent commentary. We all will miss him very much.

Wishing his family my deepest condolences during this very difficult time. I hope the memory of this great person will carry you through.

With deep respect,  
Katrin Dambrot

**Katrin Dambrot** - May 06 at 08:59 AM

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“ Bruce was such a big part of my executive development at Flagship and I will forever be indebted for his mentor ship and most importantly his friendship. He was a great man and Dawn and I were truly blessed by his compassion in our lives.

Mike & Dawn Kalbfleisch

**mike kalbfleisch** - May 06 at 07:12 AM

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“ I am so very sorry to hear of Mr. Bedfords passing. Sending heartfelt thoughts and prayers to your family. Hugs, Mrs. Bedford. Love, Stephany



**Stephany Allendorf** - May 05 at 06:12 PM

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“ On behalf of the Board, faculty and staff at Antioch University, I want to express our deepest sorrow for your loss. Bruce had been devoted to Antioch for almost 30 years, serving first on the Board of Visitors of our Midwest campus in Yellow Springs, Ohio and then on the Board of Governors of the University since July 1, 1998. He was a brilliant and innovative mentor to many of us and a friend and colleague to everyone. He gave generously of his time and talent during many stressful and challenging years. We know how much he loved Antioch and you should know how much we loved him. He will be greatly missed. Ann, thank you for sharing Bruce with us over these past 3 decades. Our thoughts are with you and your family.

Bill Groves, Chancellor.

Bill Groves, Chancellor - May 05 at 01:41 PM

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“ 12 files added to the album Antioch University



Clara Frechette - May 03 at 01:27 PM

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“ Although I was the newest of Board members of Antioch University, Bruce was always cordial and willing to help. His contributions to my personal growth and my beloved Antioch University will never be forgotten. Rest In Peace, friend.  
Kiko Suarez

Kiko Suarez - May 03 at 11:26 AM