

Edward Francis Bradley

March 23, 1950 - October 4, 2020

Edward Francis Bradley passed away of natural causes on Sunday, October 4, 2020. Ed was born in Brooklyn, New York in March 1950, to Vincent and Katherine (née Ednie) Bradley, who predeceased him. He is survived by four siblings: Thom (Marianne) Bradley of Haverhill, MA; Kathy (Tom) Stokes of Easton, MD; Gerry (Pam) Bradley of South Bend, IN and Betty Ann (John) Zielkowski of Staten Island, New York. He is survived by sixteen nieces and nephews who were lucky to have such a knowledgeable and fun Uncle Eddie. He also had twenty-one grand nieces and nephews.

Ed received his BA in History from Fordham University in 1972, a Masters in Religious Education from Manhattan College in 1978, and his JD Cum Laude from Georgetown University in 1986.

Ed practiced law – mostly family and criminal matters – in Maryland for several years. His first love, though, was teaching in Catholic high schools. He taught religion, history and other subjects, starting right after his college graduation, at his beloved alma mater, Nazareth High School in the East Flatbush neighborhood of Brooklyn. Ed was a gifted, dedicated and popular teacher in several other High Schools, in both Maryland and New York. He and groups of his students worked on a Habitat for Humanity project every summer for several years. He volunteered in soup kitchens, homeless shelters and food pantries, flushing out his strong belief in lending a helping hand to a friend or stranger in any way that he could.

Ed had a special gift for friendship. He stayed in close touch until the end of his life with friends from high school, college, and the world of work. In first grade at Mary Queen of Heaven school he met John Wuestman. They remained best friends from that day until Ed's last. John's wife Rae Ann and Ed in turn became close friends to each other.

Ed's love of Baseball came in third after family and his volunteer work. Ed had a life-long devotion to the New York Mets, which may have been genetically passed on from his Dad. He was a real student of the game, and enjoyed visiting various minor league ballparks

around the eastern half of the country. Ed and his Dad could discuss 20-year old games in “play by play” detail. The Mets’ lack of success never dulled Ed’s dedication to his team or enjoyment of the game.

Arrangements are in the care of Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam. A Mass of Christian Burial will take place at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Easton, Maryland on Saturday, October 17, 2020 at 11 am. Viewing will begin at 9:30 am at the Church. A Memorial to celebrate his life will be held in New York in the spring of 2021 for his students, colleagues, and friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in Ed’s memory to Nazareth Regional High School, 475 East 57th Street, Brooklyn, New York, 11203.

Events

OCT **Visitation** 09:30AM - 11:00AM

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Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church
1210 South Washington Street, Easton, MD, US, 21601

OCT **Mass of Christian Burial** 11:00AM

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Comments



“ Lenny Sanicola lit a candle in memory of Edward Francis Bradley



Lenny Sanicola - November 01 at 10:04 PM



“ Mr. Bradley was a huge influence on my life while in high school at Nazareth. He helped me find my way to valuing who I was as an individual and appreciating my unique God-given talents and gifts. He was not only a great teacher and man of faith, but was a mentor and provided guidance to me that has helped me throughout my life. His counsel, sense of humor, and ultimately his faith helped me in many ways. I still have a book from him on Saint Thomas More that he gave me in 1978 where he wrote in the opening pages about courage and virtue. My deepest condolences to Ed's family on his passing. Please know that he positively impacted many lives over the years, including mine.

Lenny Sanicola - November 01 at 10:18 PM

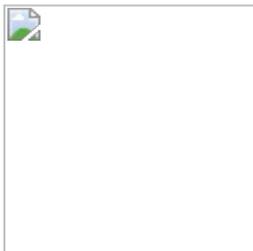


“ Thank you so much for sharing this with us. It means so much to hear others so appreciative of what he devoted his life to do. I am glad you had my brother as a teacher.

Kathy Stokes - November 21 at 01:25 PM



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Justin - October 17 at 10:48 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Edward Francis Bradley.



October 14 at 05:56 PM



“ Mr Ed Bradley was one of the best teachers I had at Nazareth High School. He cared about his students and showed an interest in them. I was fortunate to have him as a teacher and he made a major impact on me and my teaching philosophy. May he Rest in Peace.

Dr. Tim Callaghan

Dr. Timothy J. Callaghan - October 11 at 11:59 AM



“ Denis G. Wuestman lit a candle in memory of Edward Francis Bradley



Denis G. Wuestman - October 09 at 10:01 PM



“ Ed was a beautiful human being. I was fortunate to know him for my entire life - from the days tagging along with my brother to watch the older guys play ball (Ed was a catcher for the Braves team in the MQH little league), drinking home made iced tea in his driveway on East 54th Street, letting me play softball at PS 203 and never complaining, talking about baseball and hockey and him always treating the younger brother of his best friend with nothing but respect and kindness. I can go on and on...He always showed interest in you as a person, had a great and engaging sense of humor, and was always excited to see you with a big hug. My Mom loved him like he was her own. Thanks Ed for what you gave to all - your authentic, honest self - it made a difference and a lasting impression on me and many others.

My condolences to the Bradley family - Thom, Kathy, Gerry, Betty Ann and all of Ed's nieces and nephews. Ed will be dearly missed....be at peace.

Denis Wuestman

Denis G. Wuestman - October 09 at 10:00 PM



“ Denis that was such a beautiful tribute to Eddie .. thank you.

Betty Ann Zielkowski - October 18 at 07:49 PM



“ Ed made a significant positive difference in everything that he touched...as a fellow classmate, both in high school and college, and as a fellow teacher, I have fond memories of his influence on all of us...although I have lost touch over the years, I am quite confident that he will be sorely missed by everyone whose life he has touched(and that is many)...God Bless! Bill Burke

Bill Burke - October 09 at 07:49 AM