

BRUCE HOWARD HARDIN



Bruce H. Hardin, son of Jack and Bernice Hardin, was born in Belleville, Kan. Upon graduating from high school in Anchorage, Alaska, he received an appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy in 1956.

After graduating in 1960, Bruce began flight training and served 20 years in Naval Aviation. He has the dubious historical footnote of being the rescued pilot of the first night-time helicopter rescue after a failed aircraft carrier catapult. He retired from the Navy in 1980.

He continued his career as a Site Manager for a variety of contractors in support of the Navy at NAS Fallon.

Since retiring in 2000, Bruce worked with AARP's Tax-Aide program providing free tax form preparation for the community.

During his retirement, Bruce enjoyed time with family, traveling, attending UNR basketball games, daily walks around Soda Lake and fishing with his friend Jeff. He was a resident of Fallon for 25 years. He passed away on June 13, 2008.

Bruce was particularly proud of his 47 years with his wife Judy. Bruce is survived by Judy, father-in-law Glen, children and their

spouses: Evalyn and Ben, Glen and Julie and Trish and Dan, and grandchildren Katie, Anna, Keith and Elise. He was always most proud of his family. Bruce's legacy of honesty, integrity and family strength is the gift he gave everyone.

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