



# Brian Vance Bowman

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## **Brian Vance Bowman**

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**B**rian Vance Bowman, 38, of Ashburn, VA, died Saturday, April 1, 2017 after a tough battle with esophageal cancer. He was born in Richmond, VA on December 27, 1978, the son of Donald Lee Bowman and Dougie Bowman Scudder. He attended Chesterfield County schools and graduated from Midlothian High School in 1997. Brian was a member of the track and cross county teams where he set school, regional, and state records in both sports.

He then attended Virginia Tech, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in 2001, majoring in Art with a concentration in Graphic Design. Brian was a huge Hokies fan and was always so proud he was a student during their “prime” in football. He attended many bowl games throughout the years, including the 2000 National Championship Sugar Bowl in New Orleans.

Brian was not only a star athlete, but an incredible musician. He played drums in the band, Ignominy, throughout high school, college, and early adulthood. They played many shows around the Richmond area and at different colleges (including Virginia Tech, of course). They recorded several albums.

Brian married Joy Roebuck Bowman, daughter of the late George Allen “Steve” Roebuck and Betty Draper Roebuck, on July 16, 2005. They met during their senior year at Virginia Tech. They hit it off right away and had a similar love of attending concerts together. Tailgating with a big group of friends was where you could find them. Laughing was a huge part of their relationship.

Brian and Joy settled in Ashburn, VA after they were married. Brian worked at a few different advertising agencies around the area before settling in at White64 in 2012, where he was a Creative Director. This was not a “job” to Brian. It was a place he loved going to work on fun, challenging, creative campaigns with amazing coworkers. Being the avid home team sports fan that he was, in 2012, Brian also started a side gig-Ballpark Bus. He loved attending Nats and Redskins game whenever he got the



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chance. Because it could be difficult to get to games from the Ashburn area, he created a way for people to catch a ride to the games and many concerts in the area by bus. He and his family and friends took that bus whenever they had the chance. Nothing brought Brian greater joy than his two children, Ainsley and Finn. He loved being involved in their lives playing with them, attending their sporting and school events, and just being with them as a family, especially beach vacations. He was the best daddy two kids could hope to have.

Brian is survived by his wife, Joy Roebuck Bowman, his two children, Ainsley Lane and Finn Preston Bowman of Ashburn, VA, his mother, Dougie Bowman Scudder (Bob Scudder) of Richmond, VA, his father, Donald Lee Bowman (Renee Bowman) of Midlothian, VA, his sister, Stephanie Bowman Jones (Bryan Jones) of Midlothian, VA, his paternal grandmother Dorothy Louise Bowman of Midlothian, VA, his aunt Gwendolyn Ann Bowman of Midlothian, VA, two sisters-in-law, Janet Roebuck Williamson (Thomas Williamson) of Madison, MS and Julie Roebuck Koplets (Mike Koplets) of Ashburn, VA, five nieces and nephews; Peyton Jones and Ryleigh Jones of Midlothian, VA, JT Williamson and Emily Williamson of Madison, MS, and Michael Koplets of Ashburn, VA, and lots of friends who he considered family.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Frederick Vance Bowman, mother-in-law, Betty Draper Roebuck, and father-in-law, George Allen "Steve" Roebuck.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, April 6, 2017 at Loudoun Funeral Chapel in Leesburg, VA from 5:00 pm-7:00 pm.

Brian's Celebration of Life will be held on Friday, April 7, 2017 at Loudoun Funeral Chapel in Leesburg, VA with visitation from 10:00 am-11:00 am with service to follow. Burial will follow at Union Cemetery, Leesburg, VA. Family and friends are invited to attend a reception at Regency at Ashburn Clubhouse at the conclusion of the service, 20960 Rocky Knoll Square, Ashburn, VA 20147.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial donation may be made to The American Cancer Society. [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org). Family and friends may also sign and leave a message on the online register book at [www.loudounfuneralchapel.com](http://www.loudounfuneralchapel.com).



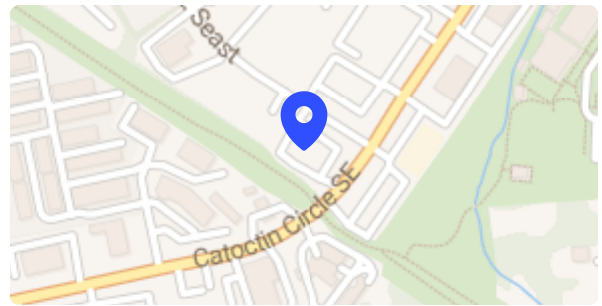
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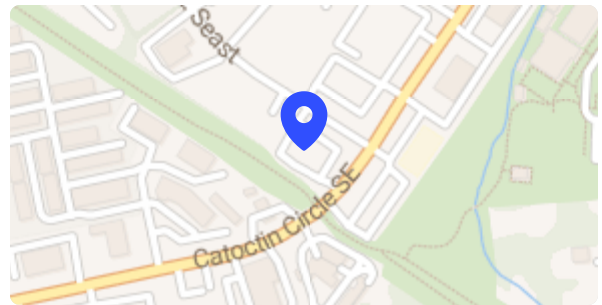
## Visitation

- Thursday**, April 6, 2017
- 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET
- Loudoun Funeral Chapel**  
158 Catoctin Circle, S.E., Leesburg VA



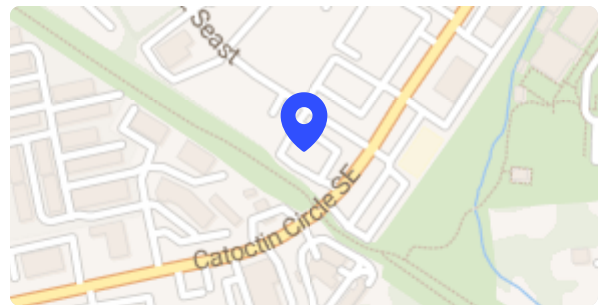
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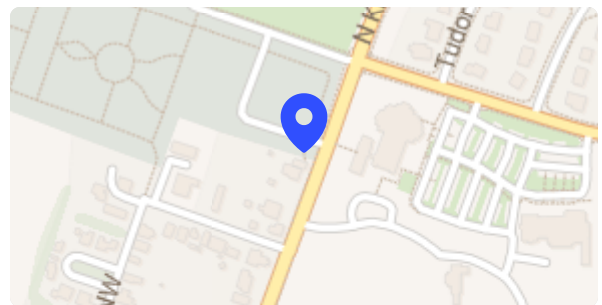
## Celebration of Life

- Friday**, April 7, 2017
- 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET
- Loudoun Funeral Chapel**  
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## Cemetery Details

- Leesburg Union Cemetery**  
323 North King Street, Leesburg VA





## Tribute Wall

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KI

**Kirk** posted:

Brian, it was a real pleasure to have known you. My best memories were watching you as a runner during Cross Country & Track. You were an amazing runner. Better yet you were just a nice person to be around. I was deeply saddened to hear about your passing and I will miss seeing you. I will always be ever so thankful that I got to know you. Rest In Peace Brian.Kirk Monroe

April 6 at 5:22 PM

SB

**Sue Ballance** posted:

There are just no words to comfort a loss this deep. My thoughts and prayers are with his beautiful wife and two small children. Brian's mother was my childhood friend. Dougie, I cannot imagine your pain and grief. No parent should ever have to bury a child. I pray God will provide peace and comfort. There are three things that remain, Peace, Hope and Love. The greatest of these is Love!

April 6 at 10:08 AM

RF

**Rob & Carrie Foster** sent a Days of Sunshine Bouquet to the Bowman family.



April 5 at 6:10 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Serene Retreat to the Bowman family.



April 5 at 2:02 PM

TK

**Terry And Libby Krupp, Bryan And Kristin Krupp** sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Bowman family.



April 5 at 2:03 AM

JC

**Jow Currence** posted:

I wish the family and friends peace with time with Brian's death.

April 4 at 8:42 AM



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**Anonymous** sent a Strength & Solace Spray to the Bowman family.

April 4 at 7:01 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Bowman family.

April 4 at 5:22 AM



**Carol Darden** posted:

Dougie, I am so very sorry for your loss. There are no other words to comfort you in your pain right now. You and your family will be in my prayers. Hugs, Carol Darden

April 4 at 5:21 AM



**Brenda Adkins** posted:

So sorry for your loss Dougie; may God give you peace that surpasses all understanding. Brenda Crisp Adkins

April 4 at 4:18 AM



**Ernie** posted:

Brian, you left us too soon. Rest in peace.--Ernie & Alice Stewart

April 4 at 2:22 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Bowman family.

April 3 at 4:04 PM





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**Cousins** sent a Sapphire Skies Bouquet to the Bowman family.

April 3 at 2:28 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Sacred Duty Spray to the Bowman family.

April 3 at 12:05 PM





# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Brian by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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