



Edgar August Browning

October 4, 1952 - November 17, 2020

On Tuesday, November 17, 2020, Edgar A Browning, a retired Sgt. Homicide Detective with the Hampton Police Department CAP Unit, began his walk with Jesus in Heaven.

He served his country in the Army and Sea Bee Reserves and his community in the Hampton City Police Department. He was a business owner, an author of several road building books, and Shovel Magazine.

He was born and raised in Woonsocket, RI along with his siblings, Albertina Sullivan and David Browning, where he first discovered his love of roadbuilding and heavy construction equipment. This passion is what led to the books, magazines and websites that he poured himself into after retirement. He enjoyed traveling across the US where he met numerous like-minded friends who meant so much to him.

For those who knew him well, his love for playing basketball was apparent; so much so, that he turned his garage into a half basketball court. He enjoyed playing the game with his son, Edgar, church members and anyone else he could find.

Edgar's love for Jesus and his JCF Church family was one of the most important parts of his life. He strongly believed in the church's vision for the Ark Complex and how through sports, it will encourage family and faith within and beyond the community.

He was preceded in death by his parents Edgar and Albertina Browning; and his brother, David Browning.

Edgar is survived by his wife, Peggy; his children Edgar Jr (Carol), Adam, Amy (Austin); step-children Stephanie and Jennifer; grandchildren Aubrey and Bean; sister Albertina Browning Sullivan; sister-in-law Mira Browning; nephews David II, Dan and Jason; along with other relatives and friends. A Celebration of his Life will be held on Sunday, November 22nd at 2:00 at Journey Christian Fellowship Church, 2587 New Kent Highway, Quinton, VA. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Journey Christian Fellowship Church at the address above or online at www.arkcomplex.com
#EDGARSTRONG

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

NOV **22**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Journey Christian Fellowship Church
3040 New Kent Hwy.
Quinton, VA 23141
<http://www.journeycf.org/>

Tribute Wall

DM

“ We knew Edgar through his roadbuilding books and Shovel magazine. Both were of extremely high quality, with fascinating photos well reproduced. We had been looking forward to seeing him at Brownsville this spring.

He was a great guy, he will really be missed.

Dave Merchant and family

Dave Merchant - April 18, 2021 at 12:24 AM

TB

“ A very fine and unique man who will be greatly remembered and greatly missed. To go along with the tributes from his fellow law enforcement officers, may God bless and protect all of them, I would share that he brought that same detective skills to his passion for the history of heavy construction and the equipment and companies that did the work.

I join with many in offering prayers and condolences.

Thomas Berry - December 18, 2020 at 06:09 PM

TS

“ Peggy and Family, I was so sorry to hear about Edgar. I worked with Edgar on the Hampton PD in the early 80's when I first started my police career. Edgar was a kind person who was always willing to help out, especially mentoring the newer officers. Edgar was dedicated family man and professional. Prayers of blessings and comfort.

Trent Sturgis - November 23, 2020 at 01:18 PM

MF

I worked with Edgar on kids during the early 70's. He found his calling as a Homicide Detective. If he was on the case, it was good as solved. He had a doggard determination to solve every case. Our sympathy to the family.

Marty & Brenda Feiner

Martin Feiner - November 24, 2020 at 09:44 PM

DF

“ *My heartfelt condolences to Edgar's family. Tina I am so sorry for your loss.*

Donna Foisy - November 22, 2020 at 07:45 PM

KW

“ *Sending sincere condolences to the family. Edgar was a very special person. He was one of the best detectives there was. I know there are many crowns awaiting him in heaven. RIP my friend.*
Kathy Ward

kathy Ward - November 22, 2020 at 07:57 AM

BM

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to the entire Browning family. While I worked at NNPD, I had the pleasure and privilege of working cases with Edgar. I learned a lot from him and will miss him and his sense of humor. God Bless All!!*

Bill Morgan - November 21, 2020 at 08:04 PM

AS

“ *It was an honor to work with (Det.) Edgar Browning. He was the best detective Hampton had and solved many of Hampton’s most notorious cases. I loved his accent and our conversations about life in general and plans for retirement.
My sincere condolences to his family.
Ann Shreve
Hampton DSS (Retired CPS)*

ann shreve - November 21, 2020 at 09:22 AM

CH

“ *To the Browning Family
I was saddened to hear of the loss of Browning, I worked at HPD with him for over 25 years. I listened to him many days speak of his love for The Most High. Now, He has called Edgar home, Rest in The Most High. You will be missed.*

Claudette Hawthorne - November 21, 2020 at 12:20 AM

PA

“ *Praising God for the years shared and spent with my brother in law Edgar. So much fun and laughter! Thank you Father*

pam - November 20, 2020 at 08:03 PM

ND

“Edgar was like a brother to me through most of my life. We did so much together over so many years, and he was very generous to me on many occasions. It would take an encyclopedia to describe it all, but the memories remain in my heart to partially fill the hole there left by his passing. Rest in the arms of the Lord, my brother from another mother. I will miss you dearly !



NORMAND OMER DUPUIS - November 20, 2020 at 05:34 PM

SH

“ Me and my husband went to visit uncle Edgar and aunt Peggy with our young son Bryce years ago. While visiting, Edgar learned that Bryce LOVED digger trucks, so he grabbed his hand and said... Come with me, I need to show you something. They climbed the stairs to Edgar's office, which was wall to wall shelves of all types of digger trucks. Our son thought he had entered heaven. Later that night after Bryce went on and on (...and on) about the the experience, he told me that Edgar said not to touch anything. He leaned in and whispered... Mom, I couldn't help myself, I had to touch one.

Later that year, a package arrived at our house... Edgar had sent Bryce a digger truck, pictures of the actual truck in action from years gone by, and assigned magazine. Bryce cherished those items... I cherished the memory. ❤️

Shari - November 20, 2020 at 04:56 PM

AB

“ Edgar, David and I loved sledding when we were children Oh what I wouldn't give for those happiest of times... God speed on your journey my Irish twin....save a place for me....I will love you always!

Albertina Browning - November 20, 2020 at 04:03 PM

ED

Worked with Edgar for many years. He was a top notch detective and well respected by his co-workers. Rest in peace my friend. Lt. Ed Davis,,HPD 1972-96.

Edward Davis - November 21, 2020 at 10:01 AM

MT

I also worked with Edgar in law enforcement and the times he ask for help clearing land. A respected investigator and a pretty good basket ball player too.

God willing you and JD Spencer will play again. Say hello to Tom Meador and the many others. Ed was a good street cop. Rest in Peace, my friend. Mike Brewer HPD FOP 1973-2012

Mike n Teri - November 21, 2020 at 10:58 AM



Tenacious, relentless and without fear as he pursued many of the most violent in Hampton. He made many personal sacrifices along the way. A true warrior.

Bob Williams - November 22, 2020 at 07:53 AM