



# **Bruce Miller**

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**M**ILLER, Bruce Alan, Miller, Bruce Alan, 83 of Lutz went to his lord and savior on Thursday October 10, 2013. He was born on August 3, 1930 in Brooklyn, NY to William A. and Martha B. Miller. He attended Brooklyn Technical High School and Admiral Farragut Academy in Toms River, NJ, from which he graduated and took the entrance exam for the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, MD, scoring the highest of all candidates from honors schools nationwide. During his school days he boxed, played football and baseball. Following graduation from the Naval Academy in 1952, he received his commission and subsequently served the Navy in both the surface fleet and submarines. Upon leaving the service, he worked in electrical power plant operations and construction for the Long Island Lighting Co. in New York and was active at the Northport Baptist Church as a bible teacher and deacon, while taking graduate studies at night. After seven years, he embarked on a career that ultimately resulted in senior executive positions, primarily with engineering firms, the first of which was Sanderson & Porter Inc. - engineers and constructors - in New York City; in retrospect a company he enjoyed more than any other. He was later recruited by Badger Engineers (a subsidiary of Raytheon) in Boston, and after commuting there weekly for some time, he moved to Tampa in 1978 where he headed Badger and resided to the present, retiring in 1990, except for a three year assignment as President of Cogentrix Operations in Charlotte, NC. During his career, he traveled extensively world-wide to over 90 countries (occasionally for pleasure with his wife) principally in connection with overseeing a diversity of large engineering and construction projects, with considerable experience in Saudi Arabia, Iran, Egypt and Iraq. He was honored in 1977 at an international forum for his leadership and contributions to the construction industry. He served on several boards involved in Christian ministry and was a member of Idlewild Baptist Church in Lutz, where he also attended the Seekers Bible



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Class. With his wife, there was a joint commitment to aiding in support of Hope Children's Home of Tampa. He is survived by his beloved wife, Joan, to whom he was married for 55 years; daughter Dawn A. Miller of Staten Island, NY; daughter Susan A. Murray and husband Steve of Tampa, son Bruce A. Miller, Jr. and wife Irene of Mt. Bethel, PA and daughter Laura A. Sherland and husband Darren of Huntington, NY, as well as eight grandchildren: Lindsay, Reed, Taylor, Kirsten, Julia, Christian, Katelyn and Colin. He was preceded by grandson Bruce A. Miller, III. Visitation Tuesday October 15th from 10 am until funeral service at 11 am at Idlewild Baptist Church Lutz, Fl. In lieu of flowers, remembrance donations may be made to Hope Children's Home, 11415 Hope International Drive, Tampa, FL 33625 Special thanks from the family to St. Joseph's Hospital 4 West and Melech Hospice House for their wonderful care.



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PA

**Paula Adams** posted:

I first met the Millers when I served on the secretarial staff at Badger back in the early 1980s. I respected and admired Mr. Miller and enjoyed my tenure at Badger. I met you, Joan, on one of the staff outings - canoeing on the Alafia River. What fun! When I learned years later you joined Idlewild, I was thrilled we were in the same church family. I am saddened by Bruce's homegoing because I know how much you and so many others will miss him, but I rejoice knowing there's coming that great reunion one day! Praise God! I pray for you and your precious family in these days. May God bless you and comfort you and be your strength! Blessings, Paula Adams

October 15 at 10:53 AM

JP

**Judy And Paul Porter** posted:

We have lost one of the best friends we have ever known!!!!!! Bruce and Joan are one of the most amazing christian couples we have ever met. they truly love the Lord!!!! Bruce is now rejoicing with Jesus and his loved ones and no longer in pain. Bruce was so longing to go Home and be with his Lord!!!!!!We extend our deepest sympathy to Joan and their precious family!!!!Joan, we love you so much and will continue to be with you in any way we can. You have always been a great loving, precious and inspirational friend.....Keep your Faith and Trust in the Lord,Judy and Paul Porter

October 12 at 8:46 AM



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