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## 2021 BFA Annual Meeting Hampton Inn Bermuda Run near Winston-Salem, NC October 15-16, 2021

The Bondurant Family Association (BFA) conducted its Annual Meeting beginning at 7:00 P.M. Eastern time on Friday evening, October 15, 2021, with the informal Meet & Greet. Presentations and the Business Meeting were held on Saturday morning, October 16, 2021, beginning at 9:00 A.M. Eastern time. There were 32 in-person attendees and 11 Zoom attendees, for a total of

43 attendees at the Meet & Greet on Friday night. There were 31 in-person attendees and 11 Zoom attendees at the Annual Meeting on Saturday morning.

This year’s hybrid meeting (both face-to-face and via Zoom) was a new experiment for BFA and thanks to the efforts of David Bondurant and Tom Bon Durant, assisted by Marcelle Hoffman, the result was quite satisfactory for all concerned! The berets with colored feathers to indicate which of the Bondurant children you are descended from were created by Susan Neese and were an instant hit.



*Milner’s Restaurant served a delicious meal to some hungry Bondurants on Saturday evening! (by Bruce Ramsdell)*



*More hungry Bondurants enjoyed their meal at Milner’s, too!*



*Looks like the Bondurant group gets a gold star for cleaning their plates! A good time was had by all!*

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## From Our President

Dear Cousins and Friends,

Our 2021 hybrid reunion was a resounding success. We had 31 in-the-flesh attendees and 11 virtual attendees at the Meet & Greet on Friday evening. You can view the Meet & Greet session and the Saturday presentations by going to the BFA web site at [www.Bondurant-Family.org](http://www.Bondurant-Family.org) and click on the Virtual Meetings tab. Scroll down to find links to the various presentations that have been offered over the past two years.

I wish to thank our host, Amy Bridges, for all of her efforts to line up places for us to stay, meet, eat and visit. The location of Bermuda Run, NC, was so very beautiful. On Thursday night before the get-together, she and her husband, Allen, took me to supper at their club where, before Covid, the reunion was to be held. The club house overlooks the sweeping green sward of a golf course with the Yadkin River Valley on the horizon.

As usual for me, the Meet & Greet was the highlight of our reunion. That is where you really get to meet your cousins and make connections. Typically, I'm not good speaking in front of people, and this year's hybrid zoom meeting was especially challenging. It required special handling of the microphone and at the same time paying close attention to the panel of live Bondurants peering from the projector screen. I felt like a game-show host!

The next morning, we had two excellent presentations which also can be viewed on the web site. David Bondurant presented *One Bondurant Family: To Iowa and Beyond, The Bondurant, Iowa, Story* and Susan Neese presented, *DNA and Genealogy for Families of Color*. After the presentations we held the business meeting followed by a nice catered lunch. Again, thank you Amy.

That afternoon, many of us toured nearby Old Salem Village and Reynolda Gardens in old Winston-Salem, NC. The Old Village reminded me of Williamsburg, VA. It's a preserved yet active pre-revolution town where you can tour old establishments and make purchases from stores selling authentic merchandise. Marcelle Hoffman and I stopped by the Moravian Church. We were lucky as a couple of parishioners gave a quick tour of the huge old church and told us about the nearby church cemetery. (See the photo at right.) Interestingly, in Moravian cemeteries, people are not buried with their families. Men and women are buried separately. Each person is buried according to the function they performed as members of the church society. Thousands of perfectly aligned identical markers smother the hills of the enormous cemetery. Each parishioner is eternally interred in accordance with their spiritual lot in life.



*God's Acre at Salem - the Moravian cemetery.*



*Harry and Linda Dolph, Bruce Ramsdell, Marcelle Hoffman, and David Bondurant visiting Reynolda House gardens. Taken by Judy Bondurant.*

Later, Marcelle and I drove over to Reynolda Gardens where we joined Harry and Linda Dolph and David and Judy Bondurant to catch some late season color. See second photo. The Reynolda House was built by the founders of the Reynolds Tobacco Company. In the garden, I got whimsical as I watched a cloudy but rainless front dramatically blow in. The cool wind caused a brief blizzard of falling leaves as we stood in the garden's fall beauty.

That evening (Saturday) we held our farewell supper at Milner's American Southern Restaurant in Winston-Salem. It may just be me, but as I observed everyone enjoying the dinner and listening to the animated conversations, I sensed a special air of comradery that night. It gave me the feeling we really had a successful reunion and I hope our next one is just as satisfying.

Bruce Ramsdell, President

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P.S. Any BFA paid member may request a PDF of the approved Minutes of the Business Meeting via email after the next Board Meeting in late January 2022. Send a email to [bfatreas@gmail.com](mailto:bfatreas@gmail.com) with "BFA Minutes" in the subject line.

### Attendees at the 2021 Meeting

**IN-PERSON**

Bruce Ramsdell, President  
 Tom BonDurant, Vice President  
 David Bondurant, Webmaster  
 Judy Bondurant (David’s better half)  
 Bill BonDurant, Asst. Webmaster  
 Sandra Palfrey  
 Marcelle Hoffman  
 Amy & Alan Bridges  
 Linda & Harry Dolph  
 Susan & Hank Recla  
 Wayne & Betty Brown

Laberta Stout  
 Ramona Wilkerson  
 Geoff Williams  
 Tom & Shirley Seaborn  
 Nicole & Jack McCann  
 Marsha & John Miller  
 Dr. Lindsey Clarke  
 Sandra Atkisson  
 Bill Coburn  
 Barbara Moore  
 Nancy Cave  
 Ruth Vestal  
 Andrea & Dan O’Shea

**VIA ZOOM**

Eve B. Mayes, Newsletter Editor  
 Susan Neese, Secretary  
 Su McDonell, Treasurer  
 Annie Jones  
 Cynthia Louise Grier  
 Terrie & Reed West  
 Cheryl & Gary Hummer  
 Marilyn Anderson  
 Mary Lanier



### Welcome to Our New Members

We welcome these new members who have joined our group since the last newsletter. We look forward to getting to know more about our “new” cousins and to sharing our connections!

- Mary M. Brooks (not Brooms as in previous issue - sorry!), Fort Scott, KS
- Nancy Cave, North Chesterfield, VA
- Walter Timothy Miller, Henderson, NV
- Jim Carleson, Boone, IA
- Will Bondurant, Berea, KY
- James Onnen, Louisville, KY
- Jeffrey Onnen, Louisville, KY
- John Onnen, Loveland, OH
- Elizabeth Singh, Cincinnati, OH

**Give the gift of family history  
to your loved ones!  
A BFA gift membership for  
2022 is still only \$20 per year!**



*Use the handy membership form at the end of this issue to  
get them started on a lifetime of discovering their roots!*



## In Memoriam

*We extend our sincere sympathy to the family of this BFA member who has passed away.*



### **Robert Lewis "Bob" Bondurant**

April 27, 1933 – November 12, 2021

Former champion race car driver Bob Bondurant, 88, died on Friday, Nov. 12, in Paradise Valley.

Born in Evanston, Illinois, he opened a high-performance driving school in 1968 and taught numerous A-list actors for their movie roles, according to his family and the Bondurant Racing School website, which detailed all types of driving he taught including stunts, competitions, police pursuits, evasive driving for chauffeurs and bodyguards, plus other skills. Among celebrities Bondurant instructed in road course driving for their movie roles were Paul Newman, Tom Cruise, Clint Eastwood, James Garner, Nicholas Cage, Robert Wagner, Tim Allen and Christian Bale.

Bondurant and his family moved to California when he was 2. He raced motorcycles on dirt tracks as a teenager before switching to cars in 1958 and racing for the Shelby American, Ferrari and Eagle team, noted the site, outlining his professional background as he won 30 of 32 races in Corvettes from 1961-63, and won the GT class at Le Mans in 1964, co-driving with fellow American Dan Gurney.

After he was injured in a 1967 crash at a racetrack in Watkins Glen, New York, Bondurant came up with an idea for what was described as a high-performance driving school while he recuperated. He opened the school that touts over 500,000 graduates in early 1968 at California's Orange County International Raceway, then relocated it to Ontario, California, and later moved it to Sonoma, north of San Francisco. Bondurant relocated the driving school to Phoenix after the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake in California.

"Bob Bondurant has had a worldwide impact on the motorsports industry, and his legacy will live on eternally as the Bondurant Racing School moves forward into the future," said Phoenix Raceway President Julie Giese in a prepared statement.

Inducted into the Motor-sports Hall of Fame of America in 2003, Bondurant is survived by his wife, Pat, who is president and CEO of the Bondurant Racing School. She vowed to continue the legacy of the school.

*The Virginian-Pilot (Norfolk, VA) - Monday, November 15, 2021*

*The Capital (Annapolis, MD) - Monday, November 15, 2021*

*The Orlando Sentinel (FL) - Monday, November 15, 2021*

*The Hartford Courant (CT) - Monday, November 15, 2021*

*Los Angeles Times (CA) - Tuesday, November 16, 2021*

*Camden News (AR) - Wednesday, November 17, 2021*

*Town of Paradise Valley Independent (AZ) - Wednesday, November 24, 2021*

*Bob hosted the BFA annual meeting at his racing school in 2001 and again in 2013. The attendees have many unforgettable memories of those events!*



**Bondurant Obituaries** found in newspaper archives from September 15, 2021, to December 10, 2021, on the subscription website [www.genealogybank.com](http://www.genealogybank.com) and elsewhere, compiled by EBM.



**Wayne Arthur Bondurant**

June 28, 1938 – December 3, 2021

Wayne A. Bondurant, 83, of Hillsboro passed away Dec 3, 2021 at HSHS St. Johns Hospital in Springfield. He was born on June 28, 1938 in Hillsboro, IL, to Jesse and Gladys Bondurant.

He was a graduate of Hillsboro High School. He worked at Traylor Furniture in Hillsboro and from 1975-2005 he and his wife owned their own dental tech lab.

He served in the US Navy as a medic in the Great Lakes region and Hawaii. He was a member of the St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Hillsboro and Mt. Moriah Masonic Lodge and Shriners.

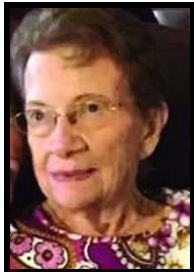
He married Ermilie "Erm" Bone on July 17, 1959. She preceded him on Feb. 4, 2011.

He is survived by one son Jay (companion Barb) Bondurant of Witt and one grandson Dane (Kayleigh) Bondurant of Witt and one great granddaughter Mabry Bondurant and one sister Rosemary Bondurant Voyles of Hillsboro. He was preceded in death by his parents and wife Erm. Memorials can be directed to the Alzheimer's Association.

A Memorial service will be Friday Dec.10 2021 at 12:00 PM at Hough & Sons Funeral Home in Hillsboro; visitation will be Friday from 10:00 AM until service time, with Rev. Randy Sands officiating. Burial and military rites by the Irving American Legion Post 425 will be conducted at Oak Grove Cemetery in Hillsboro. Hough & Sons Funeral Home in Hillsboro is in charge of arrangements.

*The State Journal-Register* (Springfield, IL) - Monday, December 6, 2021

<https://www.tributearchive.com/obituaries/23298919/wayne-a-bondurant>



**Mildred Templeton Bondurant**

October 10, 1926 – November 1, 2021

Mildred Templeton Bondurant, 95, of Forest, passed away Monday Nov 1, 2021 at her residence. She was the daughter of the late Noel E. and Ruby S. Templeton.

She was preceded in death by her husband Peronneau Bondurant and a son GC Bondurant: and a brother-in-law, William Glass. She is survived by her sister Shirley T. Glass of Lynchburg, VA, a daughter Linda B. O'Sullivan (Bill) of Glen Rock, PA, daughter-in-law Sabrina Bondurant of Lynchburg, VA.: two nieces Bonnie Lindquist of Richmond VA and Mary Floyd (Philip) of Fincastle, VA. Also surviving her a grandniece: a great grandniece: a great grandnephew, and many grandchildren & great grandchildren.

Mildred was employed more than 30 years with the Old Dominion Box Company in Madison Heights, VA. as a payroll clerk. She was a member of the Timberlake Methodist Church.

A graveside service will be held Friday November 19th 11am at Fort Hill Memorial Park, Lynchburg, VA. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to Thrifty Paws, 3558 S. Amherst Hwy, Monroe, VA 24574, 434-929-2287. Heritage Funeral Service and Crematory, (434) 239-2405 is assisting the family. Memories and thoughts may be shared with the family at [www.heritagefuneralandcremation.com](http://www.heritagefuneralandcremation.com)

*The News & Advance* (Lynchburg, VA) - November 07 & 14, 2021

<https://www.heritagefuneralandcremation.com/obituaries/Mildred-Templeton-Bondurant>

**Ernestine Louise Greven Bondurant**

April 18, 1940 – October 29, 2021

TROY - Ernestine Louise (Greven) Bondurant, age 81, of Troy, OH, passed away on October 29, 2021 at the Hospice of Miami County Inpatient Unit in Troy surrounded by her family. Erna was born on April 18, 1940 in the Netherlands to the late Aaldert Greven and Grietje (Russner) Greven. In addition to her parents, Erna was preceded in death by her husband: Gene A. Bondurant; daughter: Marjorie (Bondurant) Fraley; infant brother and sisters: Doddema (Puckie); Greta Adams and Dini McDaniel.

Erna is survived by her sons: Gene (Kim) Bondurant of Georgia and Allen Bondurant of Troy; daughter: Amy (Matt) Weidig of Indiana; special grandson: Bryan Bondurant; granddaughters: Jennifer (Jeremy) Cox, Brooke (Clay) Rutherford, Blair (Nathan) Waller and Bailey Weidig; grandsons: Blake Bondurant and Cody Weidig and greatgrandchildren: Luke, Lilly and Lance Rutherford; Liam and Kathryn Waller; Andrew and Lincoln Cox and Madison Bondurant.

For 42 years she worked at the family owned Ice Cream business and before that the Dutchboy Restaurant. In her spare time, Erna liked to knit, sew, do word search puzzles, watch CSI Miami and attend musical concerts. She enjoyed vegetable and flower gardening, going to thrift stores, taking short bus tour trips and going to Indiana and Georgia to watch her grandchildren play sports. She collected Delft Blue Dishes and Precious Moments. Her favorite colors were blue and red and she liked all flowers, especially tulips. Fall was her favorite season of the year. She came to the USA in April of 1954 after graduating high school in 1953. She was of the Protestant faith and worshiped at Ginghamburg Methodist and Cornerstone Baptist. Her personal thought was to be healthy. She had a special relationship with her grandson, Bryan, whom lived with her for many years.

Services will be held at 12:00 PM on Friday, November 5, 2021 at the Baird Funeral Home in Troy with interment to follow in Riverside Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 10:00AM-12:00 PM on Friday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Fund or the American Cancer Society. Friends may express condolences to the family through [www.bairdfuneralhome.com](http://www.bairdfuneralhome.com).

*Miami Valley Today* (OH) - Monday, November 1, 2021

<https://www.bairdfuneralhome.com/obituary/Ernestine-Bondurant>

**Babette J. Bondurant**

January 27, 1932 – October 28, 2021

Morro Bay, California - Babette "Babs" Bondurant passed away on October 28, 2021 in Morro Bay, CA, surrounded by loving family members and her wonderful "Best Guy," partner of 17 years, Larry Turk. She was blowing kisses to the end, in keeping with her loving character.

Family members describe Babs as a true lady, the calm in the storm, a beauty whose eyes radiated peace and kindness. She was smart, dignified, gentle, generous, and happy. She was always there for her family; ready to provide a surf report or whip up a bowl of her delicious jello delight.

Nicole Nores, her granddaughter said, "My grandmother was an Earth Angel who now has her wings."

Babs was born in London, England on January 27, 1932, to Chester and Gladys Froude, aka Granbunny and Granchet. Her family, including her sister, Joni, moved to the United States to escape WWII. They lived in New Jersey, New York and Connecticut, until 1948, when the family traveled across the United States to settle in California. Babs attended Burlingame high School and was an active participant in many clubs. She loved riding her beautiful Palomino horse, Chico!!

After high school, Babs was accepted into Stanford University to study Architecture. While attending Stanford, she met her first husband, Clay Searby, father to her four children; Steve, Jan, Sue, and Jim. They settled in West Covina, CA, where she worked at the Broadway Department Store in sales and management for over 30 years. She continued her interest in Architecture Design and would often help her friends and family in creating beautiful and functional spaces! She partnered with her daughter, Jan, to design and build a home at the Cloisters in Morro Bay. Jim Searby, her youngest child, a General Contractor, built the home, making it a family project!

Babs retired to Cayucos, CA, in 1986 where she designed her home and met the two true loves of her life; her husband, Bill Bondurant, a wonderful man! After Bill passed, she met Larry Turk and had 17 wonderful years together. She called Larry her "Best Guy" and Larry says they never had one cross word between them in 17 years!



She loved researching and investing in the stock market and had an uncanny nose for the up & coming companies, like Apple! She enjoyed golfing, walks on the beach and spending time with her family including her sister; Joni Nelson; her children: Steve Searby, Jan Nores, Sue Nichols, and Jim Searby; her grandchildren; Nicole Nores, Kyle Newman, Colin Nichols, Zach Nichols, Cece Searby, Miles Searby, and Malia Searby; her great-grandchildren; Warrick, Mckenna and Gavin.

Babs always had a radiant smile, one friend said she reminded him of sparkling Champagne – Babs lived in harmony and peace. We miss her so much, but she remains in our hearts forever. Love you, Mom!

*The Tribune* (San Luis Obispo, CA) - Friday, November 26, 2021

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/sanluisobispo/name/babette-bondurant-obituary?id=31651982>



**Virginia Herndon Bondurant**

October 16, 1933 – October 8, 2021

Virginia Herndon Bondurant, 87, of Concord, VA, died on Friday, October 8, 2021, in Lynchburg General Hospital. She was the loving wife of the late Wallace E. Bondurant Jr. for 52 years. Born in Charlotte County, Va., on October 16, 1933, she was a daughter of the late Verna Tweedy and James E. Herndon, Sr. She was a member of Hebron Baptist Church, where she was a choir member and music director for over 40 years. Virginia also served in various other positions in the church including president of the WMU.

She is survived by a son, Joe Bondurant and wife, Hope, of Concord; a daughter-in-law, Kay T. Bondurant of Spout Spring; grandchildren, Bryan Ferguson and wife, Dana and Travis Bondurant and fiancée, Amber Taylor; seven great-grandchildren, Taylor, Ryleigh, Gracie Jo, Faith Dawn, Kayden, Sophia, and Abel; a sister, Christine H. Moore of Lynchburg; sisters-in-law, Penny C. Herndon, Madelyn Jackson, and Eloise Trent; and brothers-in-law, Carter Bondurant and Richard Bondurant. She was preceded in death by a son, James “Jimmy” Bondurant; a brother, J. E. Herndon Jr.; and a sister, Barbara H. Brooks.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m., Friday, October 15, 2021, at Hebron Baptist Church officiated by the Rev. Tom Walker and the Rev. Sammy Gunter. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. The family will receive friends at the church one hour prior to the service. The family suggests those wishing to make memorials consider St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105, or Hebron Baptist Church, P.O. Box 871, Concord, VA 24538. Robinson Funeral Home and Crematory is serving the family. An online condolence may be sent by visiting [www.robinsonfuneral.com](http://www.robinsonfuneral.com).

*The News & Advance* (Lynchburg, VA) - Wednesday, October 13, 2021

*Times-Virginian* (Appomattox, VA) - Tuesday, October 12, 2021

<https://www.robinsonfuneral.com/obituary/virginia-bondurant>



**Kathryn (Kay) Lucille Baldwin Bondurant**

November 1, 1928 – October 3, 2021

Kathryn Lucille Baldwin Bondurant passed away on Sunday, October 3, 2021, in Tulsa, Oklahoma. She was preceded in death by her husband of 61 years William Thomas Bondurant, Jr.; her parents; her brothers, William H. Baldwin, Jr., Frank B. Baldwin; and her grandson, Wilson McCulloch Parkhouse. She is survived by her children, William Thomas Bondurant III, and his wife, Ruth, Carol Bondurant Rowland and her husband, Alan, Linda Bondurant Burgtorf and her husband, Bradford; her grandchildren; Kathryn Davis Harris and her husband, David; William Draper Green and his wife, Katie; Zachariah Bondurant Rowland, and his wife, Anastasia; and Rebekah Rowland Fries and her husband, Robert; great grandchildren, Bailey Baughan Harris, Joseph Harris, Jack Draper Green, Elliot Owen Green, Niko Rowland and Theo Rowland, and Tinsley Fries; great great granddaughter, Novaleigh Harris; and nieces and nephews, Kathleen Lee Foster and her husband, Rick, Judy Kenter and her husband, Mike, Greg Baldwin and his wife, Vicki, Kathleen Chichester and her husband, Dan, Susan Slaw, Ben Baldwin and his wife, Stephanie, Lee Baldwin, and Sydney Baldwin and his wife, Kathy.

Kay was born in Farmville, Virginia, on November 1, 1928, to William H. Baldwin and Cora Cox Baldwin. She was surrounded with love by her grandparents, parents, aunts, and uncles who embraced the Cavalry cry “The

South Will Rise Again.” Kay always laughed, remembering that as child she thought the South was still fighting the war between the States, as tales of the war were told over and over and over!

As a student at Longwood College, Kay’s friend, Katie Bondurant, introduced Kay to her cousin, a student at Hampden-Sydney College, Bill Bondurant. Bill was a Sigma Chi. Kay was an Alpha Sigma Tau. They married and after graduation, they moved to San Antonio where Bill became a 3rd generation Bondurant to lead the San Antonio Academy. Kay taught Art Appreciation for the San Antonio Academy while working on an Art degree. Visual arts and music were Kay’s passions. She studied art at Longwood College, Incarnate Word College, Our Lady of the Lake College, McNay School of Art, and a summer semester in England at Gonville & Caius College, Cambridge University.

Kay was a member of First Presbyterian Church, the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Junior League, Battle of Flowers Association, Timely Topics Club, Monte Vista Garden Club, and the San Antonio Country Club. She loved traveling with Bill. They did the Grand Tour several times, Scandinavia, Russia, Greek Isles, Panama Canal, Alaska, Canada and Mexico.

There will be a private family service. In lieu of flowers the family suggest a contribution be made to the San Antonio Academy, 117 E. French Place, San Antonio, Texas 78212, or a charity of your choice. You are invited to sign the Guestbook at [www.porterloring.com](http://www.porterloring.com)

*San Antonio Express-News* (TX) - Sunday, October 10, 2021

<https://www.porterloring.com/obituaries/Kathryn-Kay-Lucille-Baldwin-Bondurant>



**Judith (Judy) Bondurant Spencer**

July 8, 1934 – September 19, 2021

Life-long community stalwart Judith (Judy) Bondurant Spencer passed away peacefully in her home late evening Sunday September 19, surrounded by her family, her books, her art, her keepsakes and a beloved rescue dog Lilly. With a career that spanned everything from professional theater to public education, she brought passion, enthusiasm and humor to any project or organization she spearheaded.

“She loved life. She loved this community. And if you were ever by her side in public you quickly realized how much this community loved her back,” according to her children Stuart and Martha.

Judy was a true daughter of San Antonio, with roots deep in the region’s civil society. Scholarship and education were embedded in her earliest memories. Her grandfather, Dr. William Walton Bondurant, Sr., founded both San Antonio Academy and Texas Military Institute (TMI), while her father Dr. William Bondurant, Jr., practiced medicine for generations of patients at the Nix Hospital. Her mother, Martha Nieminen Bondurant, married her father while finishing nursing school. Judy was born July 8, 1934.

Judy graduated from Alamo Heights High School in 1952 with honors, as well as being designated Homecoming Queen by her classmates. She went on to graduate with from Tulane University (Newcomb College) with a Bachelor of Arts in English and Theater, studying under the legendary Gladys Kurtz. She soon moved to New York City, working at #1 Wall Street by day, and acting in non-equity theater at night. She married Norman Spencer in 1963.

She would find herself back in San Antonio, a single mother of two, chairing various English, Speech, and Drama departments within the San Antonio Independent School District. Judy had an unwavering belief that “every student should have a positive experience on stage.” To drive home the point, she and her students at Rhodes Middle School consistently “wiped-out” the annual competition in the state-wide One Act Play contests in Austin. It was a not-so-secret source of great pride. Judy was also instrumental in creating the student led Guest speaker series consisting of role models from statewide and local politics, business and military.

For ten summers, she also directed the theater group the “Off Broadway Players” out of First Presbyterian Church in addition to securing a Masters in English from Incarnate Word College, focusing on Mexican American literature. She also worked a stint for the San Antonio Express News, being honored by the Junior League of San Antonio for promoting volunteerism through print and electronic media coverage. After retirement, Judy would spend eight years as Director of Christian Education at St. David’s Episcopal Church, San Antonio.

Her board memberships, fundraising, and volunteering on behalf of San Antonio institutions would continue throughout her life. These groups included the KLRN Community Advisory Board, Los Compadres de San Antonio Missions National Historic Park (now Mission Heritage), the San Antonio Conservation Society, Planned Parenthood of South Texas, San Antonio Teachers Council, Texas State Teachers Association, First Presbyterian



Church, Victoria's Court Child Care Center Auxiliary, the Bexar County Women's Center, the American Diabetes Association, and Girl Scouts of America to name a few. She was also publicly outspoken in local media supporting efforts to protect the Edwards Underground Aquifer against planned over-development.

Out of all she'd done in life, Judy still considered her greatest accomplishment to be rearing her two children. Her son N. Stuart Spencer III is an attorney and former Capitol Hill Chief of Staff in Washington, D.C. (Princeton Undergraduate, Tulane Law). Her daughter Martha O'Neill resides in Alamo Heights with her husband Sean O'Neill after earning her Masters in Communications from American University and leading development efforts in Washington, D.C. for the American Heart Association.

While her sense of accomplishment rested in raising her children, her purest joy later in life came from time with her grandchildren, Lilly and Spencer O'Neill both of San Antonio. Lilly is a senior at Auburn University and Spencer a junior at Baylor.

In a speech given soon after their births, she noted with humor, "After scoffing at my friends for their emotional plunge into grandparenthood, I am just as mushy, mewling and cooing as the next."

Health challenges would restrict her movement and community engagement in later years. A visit to her home, however, would still be a rich saturation in recent art from local artists, books from local authors, and of course political and community gossip. A local reporter interviewing Judy for a 2013 profile captured these conversations best: "Her anecdotes, always delightful and a bit risqué, were things that I would have to commit to memory rather than include in this story."

Judy is survived by her children, N. Stuart Spencer III and Martha O'Neill (husband Sean); grandchildren, Martha Lilly O'Neill and Sean Spencer O'Neill; brothers, Dr. William Walton Bondurant (Cissy), Edward Vaughan Bondurant (Paula), and Charles Julius Bondurant (Elizabeth) as well as numerous beloved nieces, nephews, great-nieces great-nephews, and cousins.

A memorial service was held Thursday, September 30, 2021, 1:30 PM at First Presbyterian Church, 405 N. Alamo Street, with Reverend Scott Simpson, officiating. For those unable to attend, a livestreaming link is available on Judy's obituary at [www.porterloring.com](http://www.porterloring.com). In lieu of flowers and gifts, please consider donating to Mission Heritage Partners (formerly known as Los Compadres) and Planned Parenthood South Texas. You are invited to sign the Guestbook at [www.porterloring.com](http://www.porterloring.com)

*San Antonio Express-News* (TX) - Friday, September 24, 2021  
<https://www.porterloring.com/obituaries/Judith-Judy-Bondurant-Spencer>

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**Charles Hardin (Chuck) Bundrant**  
January 31, 1942 – October 17, 2021

Chuck Bundrant, 79, an epic figure in North Pacific fisheries who started his career as a deck hand on a crabber and went on to co-found Seattle-based Trident Seafoods, died Oct. 17 at his Edmonds home with his family at his side. Bundrant was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease in 2006.

Bundrant was a fierce competitor who played a pivotal role with ushering in a new era in harvests off Alaska as foreign fleets were pushed out of the 200-mile zone and Americans rushed in to catch pollock, crab, black cod and other seafood. As U.S. fleets gained control, he fought to ensure that Trident's network of shore-side processing plants and seagoing vessels would prosper. From early on, Bundrant was an innovator. In 1973, his boat, the 135-foot *Billikin*, was the first Alaska vessel to catch, cook and freeze crab.

*The Seattle Times* Web Edition Articles (WA) - Sunday, October 17, 2021

Charles Hardin Bundrant was born on Jan. 31, 1942, in Lawrenceburg, Tenn. His father, Charles Lawson Bundrant, was a salesman for General Foods, and his mother, Algie Mae (Hill) Bundrant, was a homemaker.

He is survived by his wife, Diane; his sister, Linda Nelson; his children, Joe Bundrant, Jill Dulcich and Julie Bundrant Rhodes; 13 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

“Chuck Bundrant, Pacific Fisheries’ ‘Henry Ford,’ Dies at 79” by Clay Risen, published in the *New York Times*, October 23, 2021.

A video of his memorial service is being streamed on the Trident Seafoods website - <https://www.tridentseafoods.com/chuck-bundrant/>.



**James Frank Bundrant**

August 30, 1946 – November 12, 2021

James Frank Bundrant was born August 30, 1946 in Waynesboro, TN, the son of the late Roy Frank and Mary Ethel Dixon Bundrant. Mr. Bundrant married Sherry Mae Akins June 26, 1976, graduated from Draughons Junior College in Nashville and went on to become a successful business man. He served on the Board of Directors of Pure Oil Company and was also a member of Tennessee Oil Marketers Association. He served as a Wayne County School Board Member for 12 years. He also served as a city commissioner, volunteer fireman and was owner and operator of Bundrant Car Care for over 50 years. He loved his family and devoted all his spare time to family functions and anything his kids and grandkids participated in. He was a kind, loving and amazing husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. James Frank was often described as a “Man of Honor”, a “Family Man” and a “Great Community Man.” He loved and accepted people as they were and always was encouraging everyone to do their best. Mr. Bundrant departed this life on November 12, 2021, in Waynesboro, Tennessee at the age of 75 Years, 2 Months, 13 Days.

He is survived by his wife Sherry Mae Akins Bundrant of Waynesboro, TN: two sons, Andy Kelly and wife Lori of Jackson, TN, Jeremy Bundrant and wife Brandi of Waynesboro, TN; two daughters, Kris Kelly Weathers and husband Harry of Hopkinsville, KY, Joy Staggs and husband Mark of Clifton, TN; eight grandchildren, Jackson Weathers, Kelsey Kelly Dill and husband Taylor, Andrew Kelly and wife Kelli, Lee Anna Staggs, Tucker Staggs, Sallie Bundrant, Katie Bundrant, Heidi Bundrant; great-grandchildren Krew, Kelly, Kamdyn and Kollyns Dill. In addition to his parents, Mr. Bundrant was preceded in death by a son, James Marvin Bundrant.

Graveside Services held on November 14, 2021 at the Memorial Gardens in Waynesboro, Tennessee, with Johnny Kilburn and Adam Rush officiating. Shackelford Funeral Directors of Wayne County assisting the family. Pallbearers included Dwight Prince, Nicky Dixon, Chris Dixon, Andrew Kelly, Tucker Staggs and Aaron Kelly.

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<https://www.shackelfordfuneraldirectors.com/obituaries/James-Bundrant-3/#!/Obituary>

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