



David Cohn

September 30, 1955 - November 26, 2011

Mr. David J. Cohn, age 56, of Forrest City, Arkansas died Saturday, November 26, 2011 at his home in Forrest City.

Mr. Cohn was born September 30, 1955 in Memphis, Tennessee. He was the son of William Cohn and Suzanne Bronstein Cohn. Mr. Cohn owned and operated Forrest City Grocery Company and Tobacco Superstores until his illness, and is a member of Temple Israel in Memphis. He was a member of the Arkansas Oil Marketers Association, Retail Tobacco Dealers of America and the Associated Wholesale Grocers. He was past president of the Forrest City Country Club.

Mr. Cohn was a philanthropist and gave to many worthwhile causes, especially in his hometown of Forrest City. He has endowments established with the St. Francis Community Foundation, which is an affiliate of the Arkansas Community Foundation in Little Rock. The David Cohn "Wishes" Endowment was established by his wife, Marsha, and their children on his birthday so he could grant wishes to the needy and nonprofits forever. He and his family have supported the University of Arkansas Razorbacks and is an Ambassador for the University of Memphis athletic programs.

Mr. Cohn married Marsha Smith in 1985 and she survives him along with a son, Perry Partain, of Forrest City; three daughters, Hannah Reeves and

husband Justin, Emily Cohn and Kelli Cohn all of Forrest City; his mother, Suzanne Cohn of Forrest City; two sisters, Sandra Halpern and husband David of Altoona, PA and Sharon Cohn and nephews Jake, A.J. and Matt Kolonis of Memphis; a brother Allen Cohn and wife Lauren and nephews Marcus and Michael of Memphis, and his caretaker Deangelo Williamson of Memphis. Mr. Cohn was preceded in death by his father, Mr. William Cohn; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Bronstein of New York and Mr. and Mrs. Sol Cohn of Forrest City.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, November 29, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. at the Forrest City Civic Center. Burial will follow at Forrest Park Cemetery in Forrest City. Visitation will be from 6 to 8 Monday at the funeral home. The family requests memorials be made to the David J. Cohn "Wishes" Endowment, P.O. Box 3002, Forrest City, AR 72336. Visit online registry at stevensfuneralhome.net. Under the direction of Stevens Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall

BJ

“ *Marsha, Hannah, Emily & Kelly: We have oh so many memories with David. He is one of the strongest men I have known, yet kind like a big teddy bear. We have the best memories. Ryan will forever be grateful David let him fly to Fayetteville with him. A lifetime memory. Bob has been missing him, even while he was still here. He highly respected him so much. We love each of you and pray for a peace surpassing all human understanding. We Love Your Family.*

Bob, Penny, Meagan and Ryan Jones - April 12, 2013 at 08:29 AM

VH

“ *Marsha and girls,
My thoughts and prayers are with you.
Love,
ViVi*

ViVi Hall - April 12, 2013 at 08:29 AM

SD

“ *Very sad to hear about the loss of David.
WE all enjoyed working with him -

Strategic Technologies Corporation*

Sharon Davis - April 12, 2013 at 08:29 AM

BK

“ So sad to have lost two wonderful business men within a few months of each other. I never had the chance to meet David in person but I know my dad respected and thought very highly of him. Prayers will be sent up from our family to your at this difficult time. - Becca Kirby (Tobacco Town, Inc.), daughter of Buck Bates (Bates Distributing, Inc.)

Becca Kirby - April 12, 2013 at 08:29 AM

RW

“ Cohn Family, May God enrich your lives and keep you close. Mr. David was an awesome man and great mentor. Our state is better because of Mr. David.

Ray Wood - April 12, 2013 at 08:29 AM

BJ

“ Marsha,
I just wanted to tell you i have been thinking of you and your family during this hard time. I met you at the event that you all came up to in Rogers a year ago. I was one of the women that got the Walk started here 6 years ago. I know how crual ALS is from going thru it with our dear friend Sue Larson. I heard a long time ago that there seems to be one common factor and that it seems to strike the most wonderful full of life strong people. I believe that is true and after meeting you and David i could see what a wonderful gentleman he was. Please know that your are in our thoughts and prayers. My good friend Lonnie Larson is a sweetheart and if you need someone to talk to that has been thru what your all have been thru i know he would visit with you if you ever need to.
It helps me to know that our loved ones are in heaven now and happy and healthy. We sure will miss them though.
P.S.
I grew up in Osceola and have family there and in Memphis. I think of you and your family everytime i drive thru your way. If i can ever do anything for you or your family please let me know.
God Bless you and your loved one.
Betty Julian---Rogers, AR.

Betty Julian - April 12, 2013 at 08:29 AM

HW

“ David was a great guy at FS High School, always a bright smile... never seemed to meet a stranger. Will miss him at class reunions!!
Hazel Johnston Wood, class of 1973

Hazel Johnston Wood - April 12, 2013 at 08:29 AM

DS

“ Marsha, please accept my deepest sympathy in the loss of David. I will keep you and your family in my heart and prayers.

Donna Swaby - April 12, 2013 at 08:29 AM

BT

“ David was always a pleasure to engage conversation with. I deal in the Casino and always look forward to seeing Dave when he was in town.

We always talked business and never about gaming . I'm in the Liquor business during the week so we always talked about that stuff.

I will miss Dave Alot and can only pray he is a better place and at peace.

Bruce Trueax - April 12, 2013 at 08:29 AM

RT

“ David is well remembered by his classmates and we hope to have a reunion this next year. 40th. If the family will send mr an address will see you get a photo.

Regina Gay Hill Turner - April 12, 2013 at 08:29 AM