



Alan Neale Bruns

August 10, 1956 - June 2, 2016

Alan Neale Bruns born August 10, 1956 in Oceanside, Long Island, New York, passed away at home, in Ten Mile, Tennessee on June 2, 2016.

Alan Graduated from Holland Patten High School in 1974 and immediately enlisted for the Viet Nam conflict, Alan served as a Military Police Officer, and a K-9 handler. After his honorable discharge, Alan worked with the Oneida County Sherriff's department and served as a National Guard recruiter. After his military career, Alan began a second career as an over the road truck driver. Recognized by awards such as Master Truck Driver Award and Trainer of the Year, Alan was especially proud of his three "Highway Angel" awards for good deeds assisting fellow motorists. Celedon's President and Chief Operating Officer once said, "We're fortunate to have drivers like Alan Bruns." He afforded Alan the opportunity to "ring the bell" on the New York Stock Exchange in recognition of Alan's contributions to Celedon and the industry. Alan's parents, Bill and Phyllis Bruns passed away in 2012 and 2011 respectively. Alan is survived by his wife, Nina, his children, John, Tim, Janelle and Jared, brother, Martin, and sisters, Diana and Laura; brothers and sisters in-law, Dave, Tad and Donna, and Daniel and Elena, six grandchildren, and his constant companions Pancho and Tally.

Alan will be remembered as a kind, gentle soul, who always made his nieces and nephews happy. Alan consistently put the needs of others before his own. Alan went out of his way to be helpful to others; he leaves a legacy of helping strangers, the homeless, and, animal rescue. A memorial service to celebrate

his legacy will follow in the spring.