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Scott Alan Coltrain, 57, went to be with his heavenly Father on Thursday, July 11, 2019, while battling with various ailments associated with his unique, congenital bone disease. Scott was born on October 29, 1961 in Des Moines, IA to Jack Ray and Jean Louise (Tharp) Coltrain, both of whom graduated from Ottumwa High School and married in Ottumwa, IA.

Scott graduated from the Des Moines Technical High School in 1980, where he majored in Radio & Television Production and Broadcast Journalism. He wrote a weekly science news program, which aired on KDPS-AM, and served as reporter turned Editor-in-Chief of the school's newspaper during his Senior year. Upon graduation, he was offered 4-year, tuition-free scholarships from many colleges and universities in Iowa and a handful from neighboring States. After much prayer, Scott chose to enter a full-time teaching ministry with the churches of Christ. This choice was a fruit of his conversion to Christianity and a life-long personal commitment to his Lord and Savior, Christ Jesus, back in June, 1972. Scott has enjoyed above all other labors the teaching of the Scriptures, whether it be through pulpit preaching, radio programs, or writing articles, tracts and books on Biblical doctrines and Christian living. In 2016, Scott initiated the launch of an evangelistic project in India. In association with the churches of Christ, Scott provided educational materials, spiritual encouragement, and financial assistance to 9 native-born evangelists in India. The on-going project has resulted, thus far, in the conversion of over 2000 individuals and the creation of dozens of new church congregations.

Outside of his formal ministry, Scott promoted pro-life and pro-family political candidates and legislation. He worked primarily through the Republican Party, devising and supporting pro-life/pro-family planks in the State's GOP Platform. He was elected Chairman of the Polk County Republican Party in 1999. He was employed by a presidential and, later, a gubernatorial campaign. Due to his positions



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within the Party, Scott had opportunity to meet some former U.S. Presidents and influential Congressmen. The highlight for him was his ability to meet and converse with former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

On August 30, 1997 in Des Moines, Scott married Molly Ruth Ward of Ottumwa, Iowa. The two had known and dated each other for over a decade prior to their actual engagement and wedding. To this blessed union was born 2 sons: James Solomon and Benjamin Eli.

Other than his wife and sons, he leaves behind his siblings: Jack Ray and Linda (Morrison) Coltrain of Le Sueur, Minnesota; Toni Jean (John J.) Rand of Des Moines, Iowa; and Timothy Lee and Elizabeth (Clayton) Coltrain of Des Moines, Iowa; several nephews and nieces and great-nephews and great-nieces.

Preceding Scott in death is his grandparents, Ray and Elsie (Matherly) Coltrain; Frank and Myrtle (Kephart) Tharp; both parents, Jack and Jean Coltrain; and an infant brother, James Craig Coltrain.

A private graveside service and burial was conducted at Sales Cemetery in Appanoose County, Iowa for immediate family. A Celebration Of Life will be held on Saturday, October 26, 2019 at the Indianola Activity Center, located at 2204 West 2nd Ave.; Indianola, IA 50125 from 1 - 4pm. Memorials may be dropped off or mailed to Lange Funeral Home and Crematory, 1900 South 18th Street, Centerville, Iowa 52544. Condolences may be shared online at www.langefh.com.

In lieu of flowers, To order flowers, please call an Indianola Flower Shop. Thank you!

Celebration of Life
2019-10-26 13:00:00
Indianola Activity Center
2204 W 2nd Ave
Indianola
IA
50125



Tribute Wall

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Thomas Funeral Home posted:

October 21 at 12:24 PM



Thomas Funeral Home shared an album called **Obituary Wall**.



September 17 at 7:00 PM



Pam Coltrain posted:

Molly and sons, Thank you for sharing some of your history with me about your families lives.They have been well lived and full of love.Although I never met Scott, and Lonnie didn't see him often when they were young,he always spoke highly of him.Even with his physical limitations,he soared and lived a full rewarding life.Now that he is with his savior ,he is being told,Well done,my good and faithful son.May you and your family find peace now and as the holidays approach.

November 19 at 7:00 PM



Michael J. Cook posted:

Hello Allll will always remember Scott as a good friend and kind person. I will always value his kind words and motivational words of wisdom that were associated with the political process in central Iowa. It seems like only yesterday that he was showing how to use a personal computer. I think Scott and I got along so well, because we were close in age and had some of the same interests in life. Even during his times of illness and poor health, Scott was able to take the time to share his opinions and beliefs with me through email. I am sure that Scott would have done well in any path of life if he had chosen that option. Looking back on things, I wish that I would have had the chance to visit with Scott more about the writing process. I would like to thank Molly and the rest of the family for sharing Scott with all of us. Mr. Coltrain will be missed because he made a difference in the lives of all who new and worked with him over the years.

October 4 at 7:00 PM



B Joe Hill posted:

We are thankful to have had brother Scott Coltrain in our lives, and for the brightness he brought our way. We weep with sister Coltrain and all the family.

September 22 at 7:00 PM



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JN

Jill Nichols posted:

Although I never met Scott I am a supporter of the permanence of marriage and blessed by his teachings on the subject. My deepest sympathy on your loss. Scott is now with our Precious Savior.

September 22 at 7:00 PM

KR

Kim Rymer posted:

I'm so sorry for your loss of this wonderful kind and caring man, husband, brother, father and cousin to me. You will be remembered forever. God received another angel when you left us. You far exceeded what most of us will never be able to. God bless...your cousin Kim

September 22 at 7:00 PM

CW

Casey Whitaker posted:

May the wonderful peace only our precious Lord Jesus can provide surround you all with the comfort knowing Scott remained faithful to the end. Scott believed in the wonderful promises that Jesus has made to those who long for His appearing and have remained faithful. I appreciate Scott's insights on many wonderful truths from scripture that is being ignored by most and I appreciate his courage! Although physically he was limited but spiritually he was and is mighty and courageous because of Christ! Molly you have been a outstanding testimony to many to love your spouse even when it wasn't always easy for you and Scott. You are an honorable woman.

September 22 at 7:00 PM

ES

Expression Of Sympathy posted:

A Designers Choice was sent on September 21, 2019Darkness only stays at nighttime, In the morning it will fade away. Daylight is good at arriving at the right time. Its not always will to be this grey All things must pass - The Beatles Deepest sympathy, Caity & Justin

September 20 at 7:00 PM

CS

Connie L. Schmett posted:

Thank you Molly for sending me Scotts obituary. His devotion to his faith and leadership was always admired and our times in person and through Facebook will always be remembered. We know now that he is at rest with no more pain to endure and his life on earth will live on through his family and friends. Many many blessings and prayers for you and your family. Connie Schmett

September 19 at 7:00 PM



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CS

Connie L. Schmett posted:

For Scott and his family! May this candle never go out.

September 19 at 7:00 PM

AB

Ayla Brown posted:

I have know Scot for almost all my life and have never met a kinder, more loving person then him. Thank you for being a great friend to me and my mom(Lavonne). Love you and miss you-Ayla

September 17 at 7:00 PM

ES

Expression Of Sympathy posted:

A Shades of Elegance was sent on September 18, 2019So sorry for your loss. I have high respect for Brother Scott.

September 17 at 7:00 PM



Media

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Thomas Funeral Home shared 11 photos to the **Obituary Wall** album.

October 13 at 12:20 PM





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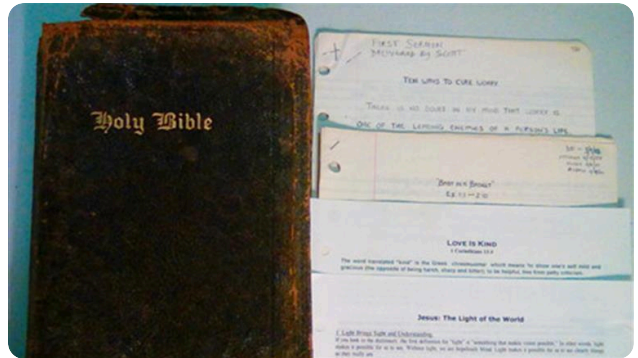
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Join us in honoring Scott by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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