



Robert Hathaway

August 7, 1926 - May 27, 2007

Robert Ellison Hathaway, age 80 of Dayton, TN died at his home Sunday morning May 27, 2007. Bob was born in Stockton, NJ on August 7, 1926 the son of the late Rev. F.O. and Lenora (Kennedy) Hathaway.

Bob lived in Stockton, NJ until 1952 when he moved to Asheville, NC. In 1988 he moved to Columbia, SC until 1996 when he moved to Dayton, TN. He earned his B.S. degree at Bob Jones University and did graduate work at University of Tennessee-Knoxville.

Bob served his country with the US Navy during WWII in the South Pacific and spent his career as a teacher and soccer coach. He was a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Dayton.

He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Bonnie (Crowe) Hathaway of Dayton, his son Mike (Kathy) Hathaway of Dayton, daughter, Sharon (Bob) Gant of Colorado Springs, CO, brother, Edgar Hathaway of Hubert, NC, two sisters, Judith Hudspeth of Sparks, NV and Theodora Cole of Goldendale, WA. Bob is also survived by his three grandchildren, Luke Hathaway, Rachel Hathaway and Lenora Gant.

Funeral services for Mr. Hathaway will be held Wednesday morning at 11:00am with his pastor, Rev. Carter Johnson officiating. Burial with full

military honors will be in Rhea Memory Gardens followed by a white dove release.

The family is being served by the Vanderwall Funeral Home in Dayton, TN where they will receive friends Tuesday evening from 6:00pm until 8:00pm.

Please share your memories with the family on their on-line guest register at www.vanderwallfh.com.

Memorial contributions may be made to either the Ben Lippen School in Columbia, SC or to Cumberland Springs Bible Camp in Dayton, TN.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **29**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Vanderwall Funeral Home
164 Maple Street
Dayton, TN

Service

MAY **30**. 11:00 AM.

Chapel

Tribute Wall



“ he was my grandfather i remember sitting in the guest room as they carried him out i was only seven and didnt understand he will be missed###imported-begin###lenora dalene gant###imported-end##

August 09, 2011 at 11:52 PM



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October 03, 2008 at 10:35 AM



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October 02, 2008 at 06:59 PM



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August 16, 2008 at 10:15 PM



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August 12, 2008 at 07:21 PM



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August 09, 2008 at 09:33 PM



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August 09, 2008 at 02:31 PM



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July 30, 2008 at 07:33 AM



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July 08, 2008 at 10:06 PM



“ Whatever your medical need, shopping for meds online has never been this enjoyable. Our #1 drugstore carries world’s leading pills at dirt cheap prices. New discounts and special offers always on their way!

www2.medextreme.com##imported-begin##HonestJohn##imported-end##

July 02, 2008 at 02:43 PM



“ While the skills old to assemble them are certainly exciting, it is the unrevealed system underneath that transforms the bracelets from bare jewelry into stories.

In this anyhow, the copper old for the bracelets was indeed the outer jacket of a 155mm artillery expend — the remnants of war, unfortunately, that are as much a by of Cambodia's recital as Angkor Wat.

What has happened here has a approachable of gift to its witless beauty. Etching the patterns of the Ogygian prior alters the figurative patterns of Cambodia's more just out and unlucky prior into something sure: skills and incomes for victims of genocidal conflict. senks##imported-begin##slosteirord##imported-end##

June 03, 2008 at 03:10 AM



“ Hi.
Very interesting site!
Thanks!##imported-begin##Heartoreaphaw##imported-end##

May 15, 2008 at 06:10 PM



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necessary , for people##imported-
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January 08, 2008 at 04:52 PM



“ *Dear Bonnie, Mike and Sharon and families,
I'm sorry I'm so late getting a note to you, but Joy sent me this link
and I wanted to express my sympathy to all of you. Mr. Hathaway
was a wonderful man and touched so many lives. What a blessing
to read all the tributes to him. Bonnie, (I guess I can call you by your
first name now!) I have such great memories of working for you
during the summer at Ben Lippen. Those were some great days.
You may remember them differently! :D
I know you took great care of Mr. Bob during his illness. I trust the
Lord is comforting you during these days. I'd love to hear from you
and what all you're doing now.
Love,
Kaye##imported-begin##Kaye Joner McGee##imported-end##*

July 05, 2007 at 05:34 PM



“ *Dear Hathaway Family:
May our Lord and Savior comfort and uphold you in these days following Mr. Hathaway's going to be with the Lord.*

I remember Mr. Hathaway as a truly great math teacher. I have had many, and none even approached his ability to explain the subject. More than that though, he took delight in the subject and it was contagious. What's more, he seemed to enjoy teaching us, unworthy though we sometimes were. These traits coupled with his love for the Lord, his faithfulness, selflessness, and consistency were a combination ever so rare in our world. It was indeed a privilege to have had Mr. Hathaway for a teacher and role model. Our great hope is that we shall see him and praise our Lord with him for all eternity.

Jerry Jacobs (BL-class of 1975)##imported-begin##Jerry Jacobs##imported-end##

June 14, 2007 at 05:32 PM



“ Dear Mrs. Hathaway, Mike, and Sharon,
I was saddened to hear of Mr. Hathaway's passing. The last time I saw him was at his induction into the NC Soccer Hall of Fame. That was a special night. It was good to see each of you and your families that night. Mrs. Hathaway, I am so thankful to the Lord for His provision for me and my sister to be able to attend BLS and be influenced by folks like you all. I remember very well his influence on me in math classes and on the ball field, and I remember well my working with you and the ladies in the kitchen. God taught me many life lessons through all of these experiences. I know there is great human sadness in his passing, but praise God that we will see our believing loved ones again one day! I pray that God will sustain and strengthen each of you in these days, and thank you all again for your faithfulness to Christ. In Him, Bob Prentice###imported-begin##Bob Prentice, BLS Class of 1975###imported-end##

June 11, 2007 at 09:39 PM



“ My memories of soccer at Ben Lippen are rich with thoughts of Coach Hathaway. God bless his family!###imported-begin##Steve Gay###imported-end##

June 11, 2007 at 09:46 AM



“ Dear precious family,
I am so sorry to hear of Mr. Hathaway's passing. He will always be such a wonderful part of my Ben Lippen memories! When I think about him I remember how I was always a little intimidated by him in the classroom and just by passing him in the hallway. (LOL) He was so tall and didn't smile much. (so I thought as a freshman) But as I got older, I soon realized what a gentle, sweet man he was and one who had the best sense of (dry) humor! (Remember the joke "Gee, I'm a tree. [geometry]
He was a gentleman, a great coach and also a man of God and he was truly a godly example to me.
You all are in my thoughts and prayers. Know that there are a lot of folks that will miss him and will hold him in their hearts forever. He is in a wonderful place singing God's praises and probably teaching people geometry! (smile) Love to you all, Johnna Oswald Simpson##imported-begin##Johnna Oswald Simpson ('83)##imported-end##

June 06, 2007 at 09:52 PM



“ Dear Hathaway family,
I just read all of the posts on the internet (thank Connie Blanton for the address), and all I can think is what a great role model. I am horrible at math, worse at soccer, and did not behave properly, but that did not stop a man like Mr. Hathaway from being a great role model and teacher. He held us all accountable to the standards. I thank him for that. I thank the whole family for that. God Bless you all.
Greg Faircloth##imported-begin##Greg Faircloth##imported-end##

June 06, 2007 at 10:22 AM



“ Mrs. Hathaway - Lem and I were very sad to hear of the passing of Mr. Hathaway. We both have fond memories of him during our time at Ben Lippen. We pray that God will give you comfort and strength during this time.

Samantha and Lem###imported-begin###Samantha Ramirez (Ebanks)###imported-end###

June 06, 2007 at 08:36 AM



“ Dear Hathaway family,
Your husband, father and grandfather had exponential influence. He left a number of gentle fingerprints on my life during my Ben Lippen years. My freshman year, I lived in the Inn. You know the story, but what you may not know is that he was the "calm" in the storm when he hugged me as a father might do saying, "It'll be alright".

He meant what he said, and did what he said. In his strick boundaries he gave us security. All the strength to all of you as you will miss him terribly.
Jeannette###imported-begin###Jeannette Bezemer Barlow###imported-end###

June 05, 2007 at 02:07 AM



“ Dear Hathaway family,

We were out of town this past week and just learned of the homegoing of your father and grandfather. From reading all of the entries from the BL days, it is evident that he made a huge impact for eternity in the lives of many, many persons. Please accept our condolences and know of our prayers on your behalf in this time of great loss.##imported-begin##Ray and Margie Legg##imported-end##

June 03, 2007 at 06:20 PM



“ Dear Bonnie and Family,

Our hearts were saddened to learn of Mr. Hathay's (still feel I must refer to him like this from my days as a student and both of us on the staff, 1958-19600) joining heaven's hosts last week. I remember fondly those days on 3rd floor when we were juniors, 1952-53 and lived across the hall from you folks. You tried your best to keep us in line, and you became special friends when June was nurse and I was a green-horn as a coach with Bob and Mr. Weeber. WE pray for God's gracious and daily encouragement for you and you and the family march on in the days to come. It has been a long time since we saw you folks and hope we might yet cross paths on our pilgrim journey.

Love and prayers, Merle and June Dye##imported-begin##Merle and June Dye##imported-end##

June 03, 2007 at 07:14 AM



“ Dear Bonnie, Mike and family:

I guess by now that Bob knows for sure the true shape of pi!

I remember with fondness conversations I had with him back in my early years at BL when my office was next to his in the Wing of the Inn. He was very helpful to me as a new teacher and faculty member. And when I was trying to learn math for my accounting degree.

Terry Elniff##imported-begin##Terry Elniff##imported-end##

June 02, 2007 at 11:19 AM



“ *Bob was a very kind man with a servants heart. As the years go by since I have graduated from Ben Lippen (1983). I realize more and more what a sacrifice he and the other staff made for us.*

Bob lived his life well. He will be missed.##imported-begin##Mason Young##imported-end##

June 02, 2007 at 11:03 AM



“ Dear Bonnie and family:

Sorry for the previous (partial) entry. I was saddened to hear of Bob's death. Terry and I last saw Bob and you at your retirement party at Ben Lippen in Columbia in 1996. What I remember about Bob I remember about you too. There was joy in what job the Lord gave you to do as well as an uncomplaining spirit exhibited in you both. I think of a phrase from 2Corin.1:3- Jesus Christ, the Father of Mercies and the God of all comfort. May Christ put His arms around you at this time. Love, Polly##imported-begin##Polly Elniff##imported-end##

June 02, 2007 at 10:16 AM



“ Dear Bonnie:##imported-begin##Polly Elniff##imported-end##

June 02, 2007 at 09:13 AM



“ I have great memories of Mr. Hathaway. I can picture him right now in our Algebra class at Ben Lippen, patiently trying to teach a group of teenagers the joys of algebra. He was a kind and loving man, who cared about his students. I feel bad because I gave him a hard time, sometimes not paying attention and passing notes etc. (He would write your name on the board and if it was written three times...trouble.)

I pray the Lord will be close to you all during this time.

Wendy (Levy) Palau##imported-begin##Wendy (Levy) Palau##imported-end##

June 01, 2007 at 10:44 AM



“ Mrs. Hathaway, I'm so very sorry for your loss and so very happy for Heaven's gain! For the first two years at BL, my knees would knock in the presence of Mr. Hathaway. I had great fear, awe and respect for him. It wasn't until I had Detention my Senior year that I learned what witty and sardonic man he was. Anyone who could teach me how to spell gentlemanliness had a sense of humor and a half!

Praise God for the reunion that's coming! =)##imported-begin##Alicia (Beatty) Gluckman##imported-end##

June 01, 2007 at 01:00 AM



“ Mr. Bob,

You have touched so many young lives in your role as a teacher (Ben Lippen) and I will never forget your sense of humor and dedication to helping smart mouth kids (Me especially) learn the finer points of Mathematics....

You have finished your work here on earth, now go and enjoy your reward in heaven My Teacher & My friend....

P.S. That day you kicked me out of class for talking too much....I think as you are now in the hall of heavenly records, you'll see that it still wasn't my fault :)

Coach Mike:My prayers are with you, Look back on the fond memories and the wonderful example that your dad was, not only to you, but to a bunch of his 'other kids'

Rob Harris

Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands##imported-begin##rob harris##imported-end##

May 31, 2007 at 08:27 PM



“ I'm blown away to see the names the I know from as far back as I can remember. Lots of students and friends from my years at BL. There are so few people whose minds, demeanor, attitude and practical life you can respect. Mr. Hathaway was someone I always deeply respected and even felt respect from. Part of his respect involved expectation in the best sense of the word. Being judgemental didn't seem to be a part of him, although he monitored d-hall, which I frequented, and didn't mince words. His algebra class was one of a few classes in all of my history where I felt my insecurity/supposed inability was irrelevant. I just wanted to work hard and do all I could in his class.

I just lost my mom, Winnie Grimm, on 3 March. They worked together and Mr. Hathaway was a part of the wonderful community we found ourselves in after my dad's death in 1973. All my very best love and wishes for you, Mrs. Hathaway, and to your family.##imported-begin##kathy grimm morris##imported-end##

May 31, 2007 at 03:36 PM



“ Dear Hathaway family,
You are in our prayers. Mr. Hathaway will be missed by all who were touched by his life at Ben Lippen. As a student and soccer player he was an example of quiet strength and godliness. He was firm in his standards yet kind in his words and always had a great sense of humor. It was great men like Mr. Hathaway that provided for those of us away from our parents at Ben Lippen with a great role model. May God bring comfort to your family at this time.##imported-begin##David Mulholland##imported-end##

May 31, 2007 at 10:10 AM



“ I was so sorry to hear of Mr. Hathaway's passing but am also glad that he is free from his suffering and is now with the Savior he loved so much. You all are in my prayers.

With love,
Cherri - class of '73##imported-begin##Cherri Raws
Pavuk##imported-end##

May 31, 2007 at 09:23 AM



“ Mike and Family,

I was saddened to learn of your Dad's passing. He was a wonderful man and I enjoyed seeing him on athletic trips to Columbia. The years in Asheville were good ones and our games were always spirited.

Continued Peace and Grace.

Ron Bromley##imported-begin##Ron Bromley, formerly @ Asheville
School##imported-end##

May 31, 2007 at 08:15 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear of Mr. Hathaway's passing. He was a wonderful and caring teacher. Without his wonderful instruction in high school, I would have never made it through college math. I will never forget his dry sense of humor and the gee I'm a tree joke. Everyone at BL loved him so. My thoughts and prayers to Mrs. Hathaway and the family.##imported-begin##Julie Fabel Young (class of 1991)##imported-end##

May 30, 2007 at 09:59 PM



“ Dear Hathaway family,

Nancy and I just heard of Bob's passing. This is such a sad time, yet such a glorious time. Bob had a great impact on the lives of hundreds of students that passed through Ben Lippen, ours included. He is in the arms of our Lord free of all earthly afflictions. Many will enter heaven because of the seeds sown, nurtured, or harvested by Bob Hathaway during his time on earth. What a fine legacy ! What a victory ! Generations have been and will be impacted by the testimony of Bob Hathaway.

Leigh and Nancy (Applegarth) Winchell###imported-begin## Leigh and Nancy (Applegarth) Winchell###imported-end##

May 30, 2007 at 08:49 PM



“ Dear Hathaways,

My deepest sympathy to you over your loss, but I can't help but think of Mr. Hathaway's tremendous gain; He's with our LORD! I often think of Mr. Hathaway as I homeschool our 14 year old son. His kindness and patience were so appreciated by me as I struggled through Algebra I & II. He frequently helped me after class (I never would have made it through without his extra help). And his "punny" sense of humor made us groan, but we loved it. I still say to my son, "Hey is for horses; save it - you might marry one someday!"

Pat Graham Palaio###imported-begin## Pat Graham Palaio###imported-end##

May 30, 2007 at 05:04 PM



“ Mrs.Hathaway and Mike,

*It has taken years to fully understand the sacrifices made to teach and coach the many lives that have crossed paths with Bob's over the years. Thanks so much for sharing him with us. His impact was profound and his eternal impact is only beginning to be felt by you. Blessings and peace now and forever. Sincerely, David Orders
BL 1973###imported-begin##David Orders###imported-end##*

May 30, 2007 at 04:56 PM



“ Bonnie and the Hathaway family - We were at the beach with Donna and Jim and their boys over the weekend when we learned of Bob's passing from the Columbia newspaper. We, like many others, have fond memories of Bob in the years you all were at Ben Lippen and Berean. I fondly recall ushering with Bob and sharing thoughts and convictions in the hallway at Berean as we prepared to take the offering. We were certainly saddened to learn of Bob's death, but we know he's in a better place today. We're grateful for having known Bob and serving the Lord together in a small way. We trust that the Lord will be especially near to you all, comforting the family as only He can do. Our love and best wishes to you all.

Don and Gloria Hollister###imported-begin##Don and Gloria Hollister###imported-end##

May 30, 2007 at 04:19 PM



“ Dear Mrs.Hathaway, Mike and family,
I certainly have great memories of Bob as my math teacher and soccer coach. I had the priviledge of being on the starting team in 1973 when we won the state and in 1974 as runner up. I also have great memories of joking with Mrs. Hathaway as she cracked the whip on us in the kitchen. May God bless you all, and please know that Mr. Hathaway's testimony will live on.

Your Brother in Christ,
Steve Thompson (Class of 1975)##imported-begin##Steve Thompson##imported-end##

May 30, 2007 at 03:42 PM



“ I was so sad to hear of Mr. Hathaway's passing, until I remembered that it is his HOMEGOING. I am grateful to have known Mr.& Mrs. Hathaway at BL. Mike was a classmate of mine. I never would have passed geometry if Mr. H. had not been such a good and patient teacher. May God bless his family with peace in this difficult time. Sincerely, Sherry (Rawls) Downey##imported-begin##Sherry Rawls Downey##imported-end##

May 30, 2007 at 02:31 PM



“ I have known Bob Hathaway since I worked with him at Ben Lippen School, 1956-1958, and later in the years 1971-1983 when I was privileged to have him as a teammate at Ben Lippen and as a teacher for my children.

Bob was the easiest person with whom I have ever worked--always a gentleman, holding high principles, a reserved sense of humor, a man of character with a quiet, sweet and uncomplaining spirit and a man who married well. He will continue to be for me a model of Christ-like living.##imported-begin##jack layman##imported-end##

May 30, 2007 at 02:05 PM



“ I want to add my memories of Mr. Hathaway. He had such a kind spirit about him. I had him for Geometry and he made it understandable. Our class was right after lunch and one day a guy on the back row fell asleep. Mr. Hathaway didn't get upset, but just with a chuckle in his voice and a twinkle in his eye called the kid's name, and woke him up. Mr. Hathaway definitely showed all of us the love of Jesus.##imported-begin##Kathy (Ontjes) Haw##imported-end##

May 30, 2007 at 12:42 PM



“ It has been over fifteen years since I graduated from Ben Lippen. Mr. Hathaway was my calculus teacher, and I greatly admired and respected him. I fondly remember Mr. Hathaway's soft laughs and gentle smiles. My deepest condolences to Mrs. Hathaway and the entire family.

Sincerely,

Saejung "Sarah" Lee
Madison, Wisconsin##imported-begin##Saejung (Sarah)
Lee##imported-end##

May 30, 2007 at 09:58 AM



“ My heart is heavy as I receive the news of your husband and father's passing and yet it rejoices with you, knowing that Bob's joy is now complete in the presence of his Savior whom he faithfully served for so many years. Indeed Bob's impact on my life was exponential. Bob's integrity, quiet spirit, example, service, humor, faithfulness, discipline, (the list could go on and on) mark him as one of my heroes. Thank you for sharing him with us.

My heart goes out to you and I encourage you with the words that "we don't weep as those who have no hope." May our God encourage you greatly in these days.##imported-begin##Glenn Stewart BLS 1973##imported-end##

May 30, 2007 at 09:37 AM



“ I was fortunate enough to have met "Mr. Bob" as a younger person, so by the time I was in school at Ben Lippen, I was one of the few students who could get away with calling him Mr. Bob! I would say that I appreciate the time I spent with him most on the discipline committee. Most students never saw or understood his humor. I got it, and he was usually in full form when reviewing the pink slips. I do know that I had one particular faculty member who constantly turned in pink slips on me for not shaving, needless to say, Mr Bob would give me quick comment or two about shaving, and proceed to discard them!!! lots of fun.

At any rate, my thoughts and prayers to the Hathaway family.
Jeffrey Brown, Ben Lippen Class of 1988###imported-begin###jeffrey brown###imported-end##

May 30, 2007 at 08:56 AM



“ Dear Bonnie, Mike and Sharon, May the God of all comfort give His peace to your hearts. I remember with gratefulness and joy knowing Bob. It was a privilege to watch him coach and to serve with him on the faculty. Pat Hirt Mosely###imported-begin###Patricia Hirt Mosely###imported-end##

May 30, 2007 at 08:09 AM



“ Dear Hathaway family, Though my heart is heavy to hear of coaches passing, I know there is celebrating in heaven tonight and Mr. Hathaway's joy can not be contained for he is a part of it. My prayers are for you who have been left behind for I know that he is surely missed. I consider it a great privilege to have been one of the many whose lives he touched during his years at Ben Lippen. He was an incredible motivator and great example, who influenced many areas of my life besides playing on the soccer field and coaching on the sideline. I have since stood many times, where he used to stand on the sideline. I learned from him that coaching takes patience, kindness, encouragement and discipline. He had that unique combination, as I remember him. Praise God for He gave me a great example and teacher. His skill in getting algebra to make sense was unmatched and his Godly example was excellent. I thank God and you so much for allowing him to be a part of my life. I look forward to the day when we shall meet again! He was a great man who knew our Savior and reflected Him radiantly. Tim Pifer##imported-begin##Tim Pifer##imported-end##

May 29, 2007 at 11:24 PM



“ I remember Mr. Hathaway so fondly, what a kind and honorable man. I'm still mathematically challenged and I probably couldn't run a six minute mile to save my life. However, even my memories of spending hours in D-Hall with Mr. H are warm ones. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. As is evident from these postings, Mr. Hathaway touched many lives.##imported-begin##Jolly Northrop (Class of 1990)##imported-end##

May 29, 2007 at 11:10 PM



“ *What a wonderful testimony to how your family has ministered to so many of us over the years through your deidication to the Lord. Just to read the guestbook and hear how you and Coach Hathaway touched so many during your years at Ben Lippen is a beacon of light and we pray for comfort and peace for your family.##imported-begin##Jeannie Richardson Kay##imported-end##*

May 29, 2007 at 10:40 PM



“ *My deepest condolences to Bonnie, Mike and Sharon on the passing of your husband and father. I consider Mr. Hathaway to have been far more than a math teacher to me. His confident and calm demeanor was fatherly and trust worthy especially in the absence of my own father. I appreciate, so much the time we all had together from 1971-1975. Blessings and peace be with you, Gene Palmer##imported-begin##Gene Palmer##imported-end##*

May 29, 2007 at 09:47 PM



“ Oh, my dear Hathaway family,
The Lord has used you mightily in the most simple yet complex of ways. I've never forgotten Angle, Angle, Side or the importance of serving a table graciously. I can still recall the joy of having Mr. Hathaway as our girl's track coach. He allowed me the honor of being the "manager" so I wouldn't feel left out as I couldn't throw the furthest nor run the fastest. Imagine my shock and delight when I actually won a ribbon in the mile race at a BL invitational! When I crossed the finish line there was Coach Hathaway beaming at me and saying how proud he was and he just knew I could do it! What an inspiration. And of course there were the special Saturdays we shared in D-Hall. He commanded our respect with a strong and quiet presence. And even though he headed the discipline committee, we never felt as though he had treated us unjustly or tried to seek revenge for reading comics we'd hidden in the Geometry books (other than the occasional smack on the head with the ill-placed funnies). You've both nourished our bodies and souls with love and a witness that thirty years cannot erase. I thank God for you and your willingness to serve Him and care for us. May God surround you with His peace and comfort you until the reunion we know shall come.
Melissa (Beatty) McGrath '82##imported-begin##Melissa (Beatty) McGrath##imported-end##

May 29, 2007 at 09:38 PM



“ I was reading everyone's messages and was realizing how many people Coach Hathaway touched. He was instrumental in my life during those delicate teenage years. His firm but loving presence made me strive harder to do better in my personal spiritual life as well as while playing soccer for him. He is one of the 3 most influential people to have impacted my life. He was an amazing man who deeply touched my life. I was reading Don Blanton's memories of the stop watch and I had to smile because I also remember feeling the same way and hearing him count up to 6 minutes on the mile run. To sum up what I learned from Coach Hathaway would be to strive to do the best at everything you do and follow the Lord in every way. Mrs. Hathaway, thank you for the love and kindness you and Coach Hathaway always exuded to us all.

Jonathan Nissly

Class of 1981###imported-begin##Jonathan Nissly###imported-end##

May 29, 2007 at 09:22 PM



“ The Lord is welcoming one of His faithful servants in heaven while I grieve and celebrate the life of a man who influenced my life as well as the lives of countless students! I praise the Lord for allowing Godly people, such as Coach Hathaway, to be an example to me in my high school days of someone who was committed and faithful to His Lord.

Thankful for Jesus, our risen Savior,

Ginny Byers Deeter###imported-begin##Ginny Byers
Deeter###imported-end##

May 29, 2007 at 07:37 PM



“ Mrs Hathaway, Mike and Sharon ~

I was so saddened to hear about Mr. Hathaway's death. I am glad for him that he is in heaven now - but sad for you all. He will be deeply missed. I have fond memories of being in Mr. Hathaway's math class - but of course many of the highlights from BL days were the fabulous soccer games and tournaments, watching Mr. Hathaway walk up and down the sidelines with his arms folded. He was a very classy man - but also a tender soul. I remember and appreciate his love for the Lord and the standard of excellence he taught us all by example. I also have many fond memories of wonderful meals in the Inn (thank you Mrs. Hathaway) - and Mr. Hathaway praying for our meals.

Please know I will pray for you all. Even though our extended BL family is not able to often be in touch because we are all over the world, the ties from those days are important and not diminished. God's best to you all.

With much affection.

Pam###imported-begin##Pam (Kistler) MacRae##imported-end##

May 29, 2007 at 06:31 PM



“ Bonnie, Mike, Sharon and family,

Karen and I sure want to let you know that we are praying for you during this time of celebrating Coach's life. I don't know of any coach that had more of an influence on me than Coach Hathaway did during my two years at BL. His love for the Lord, his love for his family and his love for his students and players were obvious. I wish we could be there to express this in person, but please know that you all have had a great impact in our lives. Other than a dread fear of the phrase "line up on the flag", my memories of Coach will always be ones of utmost respect and admiration.

In Him,

Robby and Karen Richardson - BL '75###imported-begin###Robby Richardson###imported-end###

May 29, 2007 at 04:43 PM



“ Dear Bonnie, Mike and Sharon, I was touched to hear of Bob's homegoing. When I think of Bob, a word comes to mind: Honorable. Not only in the eyes of men but also in the eyes of God. Because of that I have great respect for him, especially as this honor was expressed in his service to his students. I feel privileged to have worked with him on the BL faculty [72-78]. This verse comes to mind: "God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people...." Heb. 6:10. You are in my thoughts and prayers these days. I send my love, Diana Knutsen###imported-begin###Diana Knutsen###imported-end###

May 29, 2007 at 02:48 PM



“ Mrs. Hathaway and family,
You are in my thoughts and prayers as you go through this time of grieving. I will always remember Mr. Hathaway's quick sense of humor as he taught us in and out of the classroom with such a Godly example.
Grace and Peace,
Laura (Fletcher) Campbell
BLS '79###imported-begin##Laura Fletcher Campbell###imported-end##

May 29, 2007 at 12:32 PM



“ Dear Bonnie, I am so sorry to hear of the loss of Bob. I know how difficult it must be for you right now. My memories are both as a faculty kid and then as a student at Ben Lippen, but I have to say I attribute being able to homeschool a couple of my kids in Algebra and Geometry many years ago to his wonderful ability to make those subjects somewhat understandable. I will never forget his quiet way... driving the bus to Burger King, handing you a "note", supervising in d-hall or coaching his guys while we cheered on the sidelines. He always exhibited the attitude of Christ. My Daddy just went to be with the Lord a couple of months ago and I know he also had many fond memories of Bob...just think now they are chatting in eternity and praising Jesus together. Take care and you will be in my thoughts and prayers. Joyce Hopkins Keen###imported-begin##Joyce Hopkins Keen###imported-end##

May 29, 2007 at 11:19 AM



“ *What a delight to have known Mr. Hathaway. He inspired so many of us as a coach and in the classroom. We loved him ... we would have run two or three timed miles for him at each practice. It was not his skills in soccer but his life that inspired us. He will always be loved as one of a number at Ben Lippen High School who modeled for us the way of Jesus. His example lives in my life, and he is often remembered. His joy is now complete!###imported-begin##Dan Porch###imported-end##*

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“ *One of my best memories of Mr. Hathaway was my freshman year Algebra class. I was the only boy in a class of 9 girls. He always called me the rose among the thorns. (If you recall Sharon, you must have been one of the thorns - I'm sure your dad didn't really feel that way though.) He encouraged me to excel in something that was a challenge and succeed. As a coach he had a tremendous impact on me. He accepted me onto the varsity team my sophomore year even though I didn't play. He always challenged me to work harder and go beyond what I thought I could do. He saw the potential in me and helped develop leadership skills in me. We also had a great time in the summer of '75 painting together at the apartments. I got to see a different side of him then school life. He taught me that faithfulness and perseverance are two great values with tremendous rewards. Thank-you Mrs. Hathaway and Mike and Sharon and all your families for sharing him with so many people. They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength. They shall mount up with wings as eagles. They shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint...Isaiah 40:31###imported-begin##Steve Jackson###imported-end##*

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“ My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this time. Coach Hathaway was a mans man and my respect for him has never wavered. Little did I know I would follow along in a similar career coaching soccer and realizing I would pass along the many things coach instilled in me when I played for him at Ben Lippen. One of the main things he taught me was discipline and that discipline has stuck with me and allowed me to be successful through the years. It wasn't just the discipline to play the game of soccer, it was also the discipline to focus on Christ and put Him at the forefront of my coaching career. I will never forget the example he set and look forward to the day I see him again in Heaven. All my love and prayers, Nate###imported-begin##Nathan Pifer###imported-end##

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“ Dear Hathaway family,

I share with you in the passing of Coach Hathaway and yet rejoice with you that he is forever with the Lord!

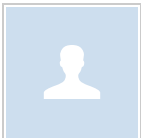
What a great man! What a blessing he was to me - from the classroom to the soccer field. I loved playing for him! He commanded our respect and our teams would have done anything for him. We won a lot of games, but the life lessons are what I carry with me from the two seasons with him. No coach ever made the connection better for me between playing soccer and glorifying God. He taught us that playing soccer for Him was as sacred as anything else. What a lesson! As humans we tend to separate the sacred from the secular; but with God it's all sacred!

Thank you, dear Hathaway's, for sharing your husband and Dad with all of us!

Much, much love,

John Mark Eager '79###imported-begin##John Mark Eager###imported-end##

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“ *My years at Ben Lippen were life changing. My Geometry teacher and coach Hathaway encouraged me with his smile and his challenge to excellence. Both of you were much used by our graicious God. My you know His gentle comfort at this time of loss. Sunny Poynor BLS -'59.###imported-begin##J. Paul Poynor###imported-end##*

May 29, 2007 at 10:10 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time. I know you are rejoicing in a life well-lived but missing the man. Mr. Hathaway was a great teacher and a great person. I remember his sense of humor and use of puns in the classroom. BL could get pretty serious sometimes and his light heart was appreciated! I know you will miss him, Bonnie, but it is such a comfort to know he is with his Savior who he trusted in and loved so much. (I saw the obituary and realized your pastor was an asst. here in Augusta years ago. We knew Carter and Gayle when we were first married.)###imported-begin##Beth Brooks Cave##imported-end##

May 29, 2007 at 09:32 AM



“ Good Morning Bonnie, Mike and Sharon. I just got word of Bob's passing. As you go through the funeral process... know that he is in the arms of our Lord hearing the words "well done my faithful servant". He is embracing those of our loved ones that have gone before us. Our comfort is that we will be reunited in heaven in a blink of an eye and then for eternity.

My memories of the Ben Lippen days have all faded with time. The man i am now was shaped and molded by my many experiences and the people that have passed through my life. Your husband and Dad certainly was a part and i will always appreciate his many sacrifices and his willingness to invest his life in the many kids that came thru Ben Lippen. I am proud to be one of them.

I can remember pushing just a little harder on the famous 6 min. mile to get just a little better time....and he was always there at the end counting off the seconds and seemed to appreciate the extra effort. i can still remember having to plead my case before the discipline committee and hoping that he wouldn't remember that i called him a "rat fink" when i was about 8. i still remember sneaking down to his house for a second breakfast (w/ suger cereal) at the Hathaway home. You always greeted me as a part of the family....thanks. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you during this tough time. Chris Fortosis###imported-begin##chris fortosis###imported-end##

May 29, 2007 at 09:20 AM



“ I had never played soccer when I arrived at Ben Lippen as a freshman. In my hometown of Hickory NC, soccer was run by our junior high school football coach who would say, "Today we've got to play soccer. Count out, all odds go to the opposite sidelines of the football field and evens stay here. When I blow the whistle kick it towards the other team's goal. When someone scores, the game's over and you all can play basketball or throw baseball." Needless to say, I was a an awful soccer player. Under Mr. Hathaway I was "third string JJ". He encouraged me to run cross country that first fall instead of finishing the soccer season, but he told me some drills to develop soccer skills. I practiced those drills every summer day as soccer season approached and eventually was allowed to be on the varsity to play for his son, Mr. Mike. His occasional remarks, coaching moments, really impacted me. He taught me that, although you may be very bad, with prayer and lots of hard work, you can get better and eventually have some impact. He knew you also needed KIND ENCOURAGEMENT. He was a pillar at Ben Lippen. Soft spoken, kind, and quietly teaching when the moment allowed. As a math student and on the fields, I felt that he loved each of us like we were his children. Your family will be in my prayers!###imported-begin###Philip Mullins###imported-end###

May 29, 2007 at 08:06 AM



“ Dear Hathaway Family, Sorry to hear of Bob's passing. We know he is in a far beter place. We will be praying for you. I have great memories of playing soccer at Ben Lippen undr Coach Hathaway.###imported-begin###Phil Nelson###imported-end###

May 29, 2007 at 07:20 AM



“ dearest bonnie, mike, kathy and sharon,
i was so sad to hear of mr. bob's homegoing. it has been such a
long time since i have seen you guys but have such precious
memories of our time together at ben lippen, where i first learned of
the wonderful game of soccer and became a "tar heel fan" mostly
due to mr. bob's influence. i am praying for you all during this
difficult time. i love you all, pam###imported-begin###pam
herrington###imported-end##

May 29, 2007 at 06:57 AM



“ To this day, when my children have problems with math, I think
fondly of Mr. Hathaway and his deep love and admiration of God's
appreciation and creation of math. He teared up once talking about
how a particular geometric formula could be seen in a specific shell
in the ocean. I loved that about him, and I loved his firmness, yet
obvious love for his students.
Mrs. Hathaway, Mike, Kathy, others, we'll be thinking about you
through the days to come.
jenny (belz) gienapp###imported-begin###jen gienapp###imported-
end##

May 29, 2007 at 06:49 AM



“ Dear Hathaway Family,

Our hearts go out to you in your sorrow and we pray the God of all comfort will indeed comfort you with all comfort.

We remember you husband and father and grandfather and brother with much joy and respect. We rejoice that we have the full assurance that we will be all together with him for all eternity praising the Lord whom he loved with all his heart.

Beth in Budapest, Hungary serving with World Team in church planting for the past 29 years.##imported-begin##Beth Jackson Weaver BLS 1972##imported-end##

May 29, 2007 at 04:52 AM



“ *I would love to be there to pay tribute to such a nice man. I loved him as a teacher and as your husband Mrs. Hathaway. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Susan Gordon Williams##imported-begin##Susan G. Williams##imported-end##*

May 28, 2007 at 10:32 PM



“ One of the biggest accomplishments of my high school days was when Bob Hathaway said you made the varsity soccer team. Playing for him was a great experience. I can still see him standing at the finish line for our daily 6 minute mile counting down 5:56, 57, 58, 59, you made it again Don. I remember not finishing in time and being sent to the JV for the day. It only took one time. He was a great motivator with his quite way and we would work harder just to hear him say a few words of encouragement. When he said you had done a good job he meant it and it meant something. It was a great opportunity to serve with him on the faculty for 9 years and I marvel at his committment and service over so many years. There are few like him today and I am sure many of us are who we are today because of who he was every day. Don Blanton##imported-begin##Don Blanton##imported-end##

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