



Mr. Harvey Caplan

February 7, 2012

Harvey Caplan, a television-engineering pioneer with a 50-year career, died February 6, 2012 in Jackson, Miss., of cancer. He was 82. Mr. Caplan was born February 20, 1929 in Brooklyn, New York to the late Ruth Drylinger and Bernard Caplan. Mr. Caplan's career began as a design engineer and design group manager in the Aerospace industry. He then moved into the television broadcast industry in 1960 at CBS Laboratories where his design accomplishments included the Lunar Orbiter Program, the DRIPS Program, the Linotron System, the Vidifont and various engineering broadcast projects. He was with CBS Labs and CBS NY for 20 years. Mr. Caplan's television broadcast marketing, sales, and management career includes CBS, Thomson Broadcast, Ikegami, Chyron and JA Taylor Broadcast Associates. He further served the industry as a broker and as an independent appraiser for financial institutions, video production companies, television stations and movie production facilities. When the Pro Shop and Golf Course were ready to open at The Links at Starkville, MS Golf and Country Club, Mr. Caplan was the first Pro Shop and Golf Course Manager until his "retirement" in April, 2011. He was the proud owner of 2 Hole-In-One awards and played left-handed golf for nearly 60 years. Survivors include Wife Tawanna Tex (Bell) Caplan of Starkville (formerly Mt. Vernon, IL); two daughters, Debra Caplan of Stuart, FL, Meryl Frappier (Bobby) of Ormand Beach, FL. one son, Peter Caplan of Stuart, FL; one grandson and one granddaughter; one sister, Elaine Abowitz of Del Ray, FL; one sister-in-law, Cornelia Jane Posey of Columbus, MS; nephews, nieces, cousins and many friends and acquaintances. Memorials may be made to the MAB Scholarship Program, Mississippi Association of Broadcasters, 855 South Pear Orchard Road, Suite 403, Ridgeland, Mississippi 39157; (602)957-9121, or to the donor's choice.

Comments



“ Dear T, I personally want to thank you for sharing Harvey with so many people. You know as I came to Starkville I didn't have any family, but I would walk across to the office an you and Harvey would make me forget all about McDonaldland and I would leave smiling. I can say how sorry I am about the Harvey, but I can tell you how THANKFUL I was that GOD placed special people like Harvey and you in my life. Harvey was a great man, and next to him stands a great lady. Love you,
Patrick

Patrick Widner - March 04, 2012 at 07:26 PM



“ T., Sorry to hear about Harvey's passing. It's always hard to loose your partner after so many years together.
Having a good support group around you sure does help.
Fred and I would have been together 41 years this July. I'm just lucky that I have Tracy and Denise at home yet. I will always remember all the love and support you and Harvey gave to Anne when Thelma was ill.
It really meant a lot to her and me.
It will be hard for a while...I have been there and done that sort of thing. Take Care,
Carol Nadler

Carol Nadler - February 21, 2012 at 06:31 PM



“ Dear Friend Rest in peace and know that you will always be remembered for your great smile, your fun stories and true friendship.

Ernie Desposito - February 20, 2012 at 12:18 PM



“ T- I am so very sorry to hear of your loss
Harv was always available to help and had Time to listen to anyone's thought The thing
I liked most was that his glass was always half
Full His support for the many on premise Accounts in South Florida and many suppliers/
Distributors will never be forgotten My thoughts and prayers are with u and I hope
That our paths will cross again in the near future
Can't wait to see u Doc

Doc sullivan - February 20, 2012 at 04:13 AM



“ Tex, my condolences to you my dear. I pray for your strength and comfort during this difficult time. I could always see the love that you and Harvey shared together. I am sure he will be sadly missed. I enjoyed getting to know Harvey when I visited you in the Fort Lauderdale area and then your visits to me in Bonita Springs. Prayers. Mary Ellen Charleton

Mary Ellen Charleton - February 17, 2012 at 07:14 PM



“ Dear T, Our deepest condolences to you and the rest of Harvey's family. We hope you find comfort knowing what joy and happiness you brought to his life. He was a very special person. All of us in the Pollock family appreciated how kind you and Harvey were to our father. Heaven is waiting for him. Love,
Diane & Eddie

Diane & Edward Bell - February 16, 2012 at 11:39 PM



“ Dear T,
Ken and I are so sorry about Harvey's passing. As you know both you and Harvey were good freinds to my dad. My dad loved Harvey and spoke about Harvey often. All the Pollock family really appreciated your friendship. Harvey was a good person and will always be remembered.
Love Ellen and Ken Greenblatt

Ellen Pollock-Greenblatt - February 16, 2012 at 01:20 PM



“T”: Harvey and I were first cousins, as my father, Milton was Ruth's younger brother. I met Ruth as a young child when she visited our family once while I lived in San Diego, but I never had the pleasure of meeting Harvey face to face. We DID "meet" on the phone many years later, when he called me to express his condolences when my mother, Eileen, passed in 2007. Harvey and I had a long and memorable conversation and he told me many stories about growing up in NY with my father and my father's brother, Eli, and their "escapades". I truly appreciated and enjoyed speaking with Harvey - he was full of great memories of growing up in NY and I'd never before heard much of the experiences he shared so it was also a very enlightening exchange of information. After exchanging emails, Harvey and I continued to share jokes, etc. with each other via email - he was also very funny, as you know. I know Harvey had a deep and caring love for you, "T", and that you made him very happy - you were the light in his life. I wish I could have met him and you, in person, but it's great to finally see a photo of him. Please accept our deepest condolences on Harvey's passing. May the memories and love you shared make you smile and bring you peace. It was a true pleasure to finally "meet" Harvey. He is at peace now and pain-free - I will miss him. Sincerely,
Susan and Jim Ellsworth and our sons, James and Evan Merlin, Oregon

Susan Ellsworth - February 16, 2012 at 01:49 AM



“ We are praying for you & wish we could be there with you.

Jennifer & Michael Godek - February 15, 2012 at 01:34 AM



“ Dear Tawanna: We wish to extend our condolences to you on the passing of Harvey.
Sincerely,
Roz & Nate Silver

Nate & Roz Silver - February 14, 2012 at 12:57 AM



“ Dear Tex, Sorry to hear of your husband's passing. May your memories of your time together give you peace and comfort. Rita Metcalf Crocker
Port St. Lucie, FL

Rita Metcalf Crocker - February 13, 2012 at 02:26 PM