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## ALTON LEE WATKINS JR.

Born on 11/07/1945 Departed on 03/15/2014 Resided in Manassas, Virginia

Alton Lee Watkins Jr. (68) passed away on March 15, 2014 at his home in Manassas, Virginia.

He was born and lived in Virginia his whole life.

He earned his Bachelors of Science in Engineering from the University of Virginia. After graduating from college, he began his career working at the Pentagon. Before marrying Susan Watkins in December 1979, he accepted employment with the USPS serving over 40 distinguished years in which he was awarded the "the 2006 USPS Energy Champion" for his energy saving program to save the Postal Service Billions

He was a brilliant man with a meticulous mind that carried a vast array of knowledge from rebuilding lawn mowers to repairing prop airplanes. He had a passion for music and in his younger days played guitar and drums within several local bands. He had a knack for telling stories that kept all listeners engaged. He showed compassion and charity to all those he encountered, always trying to lend a helping hand.

To most within the community he was known as "Coach Al". Al was a soccer enthusiast and coached for over 20 years. At the peak of his coaching, he served as President of the Mid-County Soccer Association and was actively involved in writing league rules and coaching manuals.

Al was most importantly a family man. He was a loving father and proud of his children. He recently became a grandfather and took great joy in his grandson. He will be missed beyond belief and forever be loved for the great man he was and the legacy he left behind.

Survivors include his wife, Susan; daughters Jennifer Watkins of Raleigh, N.C., Alissa Turley (Christopher) of Sterling, Va., and Amy Watkins of Manassas, Va.; son Jason Watkins of Manassas, Va.; brother Kevin Watkins (Judy) of Cattlett, Va.; sisters Sandra Brown (William) of Botkins, Oh. and Andree Scherer (Thomas) of Hendon, Va.; grandson Christopher Turley Jr.; numerous nieces and nephews; great nieces and nephews; and many cousins.