



## David Robert Brillhart

September 3, 1948 - September 13, 2023

David Robert Brillhart, 75, of Mt Jackson, VA, passed away at home Wednesday, September 13, 2023. Born September 3, 1948, in Akron OH, Dave was the son of Robert Erwin and Jeanne Denzer Brillhart. He graduated from Hoover High School in North Canton, OH in 1966 and Ohio University in Athens in 1970 with a degree in chemistry.

He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Brenda F. Greever (married 8/18/1983), and his sister Susan J. Brillhart Darling and husband Dan of Aurora, CO.

Early in his career, Dave worked in research and development at Bonded Fibers in Buena Vista, VA, Baxter Pharmaceuticals in Dayton, OH and Akro Corporation in Zanesville, OH. In 1984, he joined R&D at O'Sullivan Corporation in Winchester, VA, under the direction of Robert Westfall. Dave's focus became thermoforming automotive interior parts. A leader in relating material development to thermoforming applications, he was responsible for developing the material and technology for thermoforming olefin foam laminates. He became Technical Service Manager for Automotive Products when O'Sullivan became PolyOne, a major supplier of plastic compounds, resins, and colorants to the automotive industry.

Dave's work took him to Detroit regularly, as well as other US car manufacturing cities. International travel included Germany, France, Italy,

Japan, Australia, Argentina, and U.S. neighbors Canada and Mexico.

Dave was a voracious reader of military history, a Captain in the Army Reserves, a licensed pilot, a go-kart enthusiast, and a board member of the Woodbridge Kart Club.

He grew up loving canines and felines and through the years cared for many-all with unique names and personalities. Captain MollieB will miss him.

Dellinger Funeral Home, Mt Jackson is handling arrangements, and a celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Donations in Dave's memory may be made to Cat's Cradle of the Shenandoah Valley, P.O. Box 2128 Harrisonburg, VA 22801.

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“ I was David's roommate at Ohio University for a semester. He was a good and committed student and kind friend.

George Breithaupt - April 03, 2024 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this most difficult time. Sending our heartfelt condolences, The Gentiva Hospice Team

The Gentiva Hospice Team - September 28, 2023 at 12:00 AM

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“ This really hit me hard...I met Dave at Summit Point in the year 2000. In time, we became friends. He would always pitch in and help if anyone needed it, like he did for me over the years- I always appreciated it! Dave would join us when we had dinner in Jack Foster's pit after the day's races- we had some great times.I remember once, after a race (it was a sweltering day), I was in the line of karts inching down to the tech area; I suddenly looked up, and here was Dave approaching, to hand me a cold Gatorade...Man, did I appreciate that act of kindness!It was sad when Dave could no longer race, but I always was glad to see him walking up to our pits to help or just 'shoot the breeze'.I had heard he had a stroke, and hadn't seen him for awhile, till he and Brenda came to the track, and I was really glad to see and talk to him again.Dave was a good guy, and I'm glad to have known him.

Bruce Dabney - September 22, 2023 at 12:00 AM