



## Brian H. Trammell

August 20, 1957 - March 27, 2016

Brian Hardy Trammell, 58, of Knoxville died in his home on Easter Sunday, March 27, 2016. He was well known as an accomplished attorney, as a church leader, and as a dedicated husband and father. His warmth and humor will be greatly missed. Preceded in death by his father, Herbert Trammell, Brian is survived by his wife, Zayna; mother, Jane Trammell; children, Andrew (Robyn) Trammell, Alex (Audi) Trammell, Rebecca (Nick) McDonough, and Charles Trammell; grandchild, Zoey Trammell; siblings, Carmen (Tom Swain) Trammell, Bert Trammell, and Lisa (Buzz) Thomas; and nieces, Rachel (Brian Theriac) Thomas and Sarah Thomas.

Brian grew up in Oak Ridge and later attended the University of Tennessee, where he earned his undergraduate and law degrees. As an attorney, Brian gained the respect of his peers with a rare combination of courtesy and talent. Brian served for several years as President at Kennerly, Montgomery, and Finley, P.C. before leaving in 2008 to form Trammell, Adkins, and Ward, P.C. with his law partners Terry Adkins and Ken Ward. Some of his achievements include tenures as President of the Tennessee Defense Lawyers Association, State Representative for the Defense Research Institute, and President of the Tennessee Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates. Having been an enthusiastic mentor to many young attorneys, Brian's absence will be keenly felt in the Knoxville legal community.

Brian devoted much of his time to Church Street United Methodist Church, where he married his wife, saw his four children baptized and confirmed, and compiled a record of service that included two terms as Chairman of the Church Council. Brian loved his church and never shied from an opportunity to serve. He also volunteered as Treasurer of the Montgomery Village Ministry.

Although Brian found joy and success as a lawyer and a lay leader, he made his greatest impact in the lives of those he loved. He will be remembered by his family for his warmth, his humility, his joviality, and his endless optimism.

A celebration of his life will take place on Saturday, April 2, at Church Street United Methodist Church at 10:00 A.M. Memorial Gifts in Brian's honor are being accepted by Church

Street United Methodist Church towards the construction of the Church Street

memorial garden. P. O. Box 1303 Knoxville, TN 37901. Arrangements by Rose Mortuary  
Mann Heritage Chapel. Online condolences at [www.rosemortuary.com](http://www.rosemortuary.com)