



## Scott Bergan Kay

April 28, 1948 - August 11, 2020

Scott Bergan Kay, age 72, passed away on Tuesday, August 11, 2020 in San Antonio after a long struggle with liver disease and diabetes. Born in Ross, California on April 28, 1948, Scott was raised in Saudi Arabia where his father worked for the Arabian American Oil Company (ARAMCO). He started school at the American School of Abqaiq before attending the Governor's Academy (previously Governor Dummer) in Newberry, Massachusetts for his upper school years.

After graduation, Scott earned his BA from Northwestern University in 1970. That same year, Scott married J. Elisabeth "Sissy" Quick in Nacogdoches, Texas. Together, they raised three children – Natasha Lara Kay born in Indonesia, Chandra Kay Bricker born in Singapore, and Mathew Tareq Kay born in Saudi Arabia where Scott and Sissy continued their family tradition of international travel. In 1976, Scott earned his MBA from Stephen F. Austin University. For 45 years, Scott helped developing countries build large industrial projects as a Procurement Manager (primarily) for Bechtel Corporation. Scott lived by Colossians verse 3:23, "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart."

Scott's overseas career included projects on six of the seven continents – the Sohar Aluminum Smelter Project in Oman, Iceland, Qatar, Montreal, and New Delhi; the Alba Line 5 Expansion in Bahrain; Mining & Metals Operations in Adelaide, Australia; Logistics and Operations for Asia Pacific in Tokyo, Japan; and, the historic Al-Tameer and Al Awda Project supporting the global effort to extinguish oil field fires after the Gulf War to rebuild oil field operations in Kuwait. Additionally, Scott worked in Dubai, Norway, Indonesia, Singapore, Egypt, and Saudi Arabia. In between international supply chain efforts, Scott and his family returned to Houston, Texas before Scott retired in 2015 to Canyon Lake where he and his bride finally wrote an address in ink to 'settle down'.

When not jet-setting across the globe, Scott enjoyed building things with his hands, specifically working with wood to build whatever furniture his wife requested. His children hold fond memories of going to the hardware store with their dad where he would use his professional procurement habits to ensure he got the best deal for the materials he needed – oftentimes shopping the same stores repeatedly on the same day to find the most cost-effective goods! A loving father and active grandfather, Scott spent his later years watching high school theater productions, volleyball games and tennis matches

where he could be found laughing, cheering, and coaching from the sidelines.

Scott is survived by his wife, their three children, and six grandchildren, Shana Kay Bricker, Taryn Elisabeth Bricker, Degan Wayne Bricker, Charlotte Elizabeth Kay, Ethan Mathew Kay, and Lilah Hope Kay, and his grand-dog, Bella. Additional surviving family includes Scott's son-in-law Joshua Wayne Bricker, daughter-in-law Elizabeth Hope Kay and his sisters, Kristi Waterland, Kim Webster, and Tamra Kay. Scott is preceded in death by his parents Ruth Gayle Bergan and Ivan Harold Kay. Memorial donations may be made in Scott's name to the Salvation Army and the San Antonio Food Bank.

# Comments

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“ Dear Elizabeth and family, we are very sorry to hear of Scott's passing. I appreciated Scott's business ethics and we enjoyed the company of you both during our time together in the Middle East.  
Kind regards Marie and Graeme Brown. New Zealand

**Graeme Brown** - September 03, 2020 at 01:02 AM

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“ My sincere condolences to the immediate and extended family of Scott. I enjoyed our working relationship over the past 3 years. May God Bless him and all of you now and forever. Peace be with you.

**Guy Anderson** - August 26, 2020 at 10:26 AM

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“ So sorry to hear of Scott's passing. He was a consummate professional, a great boss, and a wonderful peer. I will always fondly remember working for and with him. Please know our prayers are with you in these difficult times

**Kurt Belter** - August 21, 2020 at 11:43 AM

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“ Dear Sissy and family,  
I am sorry for your loss and sadness during this difficult time. Scott was a great person and an international leader at Bechtel. I worked for him while in Indonesia as one of his procurement managers. Scott was a outstanding mentor - always quick to provide guidance and lessons learned with a sense of humor. I have a deep respect for Scott and admire his many accomplishments. May you find peace in his loving memories. Rest in peace Scott, Bev Tinn

**Beverly Tinn** - August 20, 2020 at 02:35 PM



“ Hi there -- he did have a twinkle in his eye and a smirk when delivering lessons -- as his daughter, I frequently experienced both!! I'm humbled by the number of people who benefited from his mentorship -- and blessed to be one of them. Thank you for sharing your memories.

**Chandra** - August 20, 2020 at 05:56 PM

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“ Sorry to hear of Scott's passing. I worked with Scott at Bechtel for many years. Scott was a great guy and loved his work. May his memory be eternal.

**Billy N. Petelos** - August 19, 2020 at 10:13 PM



“ Thank you. We all hold fond memories of Bechtel. He was indeed a hard-working family man! <3

**Chandra** - August 20, 2020 at 05:54 PM



“ He was always good to me help me in some rough times I'll miss him. I pray for all of his family. Love Rick

**Richard Quick** - August 22, 2020 at 12:58 PM

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“ Dear Scott Kay Family, my sincere condolences to all of you. I was fortunate to have the opportunity to work with Scott for many years at Bechtel, both as a subordinate and as a fellow Bechtel Procurement colleague. Scott was quite a character to say the least. Professionally, he was tough, but always fair. His favorite scripture reference fit him quite well! As a human, he was always concerned for the well being of those that worked in his sphere and could be counted on to do what he said. For sure, he left his mark on Bechtel and the many individuals inside and outside the company that worked with him.  
May Scott rest in the peace of Christ and may you all be blessed with peace and strength in the days and weeks ahead. Dennis Mottola

**Dennis Mottola** - August 17, 2020 at 06:57 PM



“ Thank you Mr. Mottola. He gave us the world. We will miss him.

**Chandra** - August 17, 2020 at 09:06 PM

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“ My deepest Sympathy. Scott was a good friend he will be missed by all who had the Pleasure of knowing him and working with him around the world. Good Bye old friend.

Dave Clements

**Dave Clements** - August 17, 2020 at 10:52 AM



“ Hi Mr. Clements -- he did love working with Bechtel and was fortunate to work with wonderful people around the globe. Thank you for your kindness.

**Chandra** - August 17, 2020 at 09:17 PM



“ Sorry to hear about Scott. Best wishes for the family

Scott Miller DH '62

Scott Miller - August 16, 2020 at 02:51 PM



“ He rode the black camel through the desert. With love.

Chandra - August 17, 2020 at 09:08 PM



“ Prayers for you and your family Sissy as you celebrate your husband Scott's life here on earth. Thank you for the beautiful words and info given in his obituary. It let us who didn't know him, know how he cared for his faith and our Earth. Blessings,  
Patricia Parrish Ricks 🦋

Patricia Ricks - August 16, 2020 at 02:08 PM



“ Thank you for your kind words.

Chandra - August 17, 2020 at 09:09 PM



“ I loved him so and will miss him forever.

Kim Webster - August 15, 2020 at 11:36 AM



“ Love you Aunt Kim. <3

Chandra - August 17, 2020 at 09:09 PM

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“ Scott supported the careers of so many individuals at Bechtel over the years through his insightful, caring and pragmatic approach. He improved people’s lives without being obvious and sometimes without them even knowing what he did. I am proud to have known and worked with such a fine gentleman.

Ross Prior

Ross Prior - August 15, 2020 at 11:12 AM



“ Hi Mr. Prior -- yes, many didn't know the lengths he went through to make sure his guys had a role from job to job. He was our hero. Thank you!

**Chandra** - August 17, 2020 at 09:10 PM



“ I was sorry to hear about Scott passing away. May the lord provide the Kay family with peace, serenity and grace as they remember Scott and mourn their loss. I haven't seen Scott since graduate school and the wedding in 1976. I'm sure, if Scott and I met today, that we could pick up the conversation where we left it at the Student Center at SFA. It saddens me that a good man is gone. God bless him.

**Kerry Mullin** - August 17, 2020 at 09:39 PM



“ Hi Kerry -- thanks for sharing. I had many philosophical conversations (and debates) with my Dad. He was great about arguing both sides of a topic to expand his own and my perspectives. I'm going to miss that about him.

**Chandra** - August 20, 2020 at 05:53 PM

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“ My love, prayers, and condolences to all of the Kay family. Scott was a kind, gracious, hospitable man. Through his work he touched the world and improved the lives of people on every continent. His legacy ....of a life well lived....lives on through his beautiful family. He will be missed.

Charlotte Schuepbach

charlotte schuepbach - August 14, 2020 at 09:28 AM



“ Dear Tasha, I am so sorry to hear about your father. He must have been a wonderful man judging by the wonderful family he produced. You have my heart in this sad and difficult time. Many, many hugs. Gayle Kreckman

**Gayle Kreckman** - August 16, 2020 at 09:10 PM



“ Dear Charlotte -- he did have a life well lived. We are blessed to have the years we had - he was loved and well-loved. Thank you.

**Chandra** - August 17, 2020 at 09:12 PM



“ Dear Gayle -- my sister shares that the image of your smile and your hugs bring her comfort and we much appreciate your love and condolences. #gojackets

**Chandra** - August 17, 2020 at 09:13 PM



“ The members of the Nacogdoches High School graduating

class of 1969 wish to express their condolences to Sissy and

her family. We have never forgotten our times together and wish

you peace during your sorrow.

**Sue Mitchell Hutto** - August 18, 2020 at 12:09 AM



“ Thank you, Sue. Mom and Dad always got a kick out of the Class of '69. We appreciate your condolences.

**Chandra** - August 20, 2020 at 05:52 PM



“ So sorry to learn of Scott's passing. I remember meeting him at your house for dinner. He was a great host and friendly individual. My condolences to the family. May Scott RIP.

**Geneva Johnson** - December 22, 2020 at 02:36 PM