Bryan J. Bradley, age 56, of Yankton, South Dakota, died Tuesday, July 25, 2017, at his home in Yankton after a long battle with cancer.

“Bryan serviced our Nation for more than 30 years as part of Omaha District,” said Col. John Hudson, Commander, USACE Omaha District. “He worked at Oahe Dam and Fort Peck Dams until 1989 when he became the Chief Engineer at Gavins Point Dam. Of note, he played a key role in the construction of the Gavins Point Administration building employing an innovative approach by using inmate labor from the Yankton minimum security prison,” added Hudson.

Bradley was born November 19, 1960, in Pierre, South Dakota to Richard and Hermine (Wheeler) Bradley. He grew up in Murdo, South Dakota, and graduated from Jones County High School in 1979. He attended the South Dakota School of Mines until transferring to South Dakota State University where he graduated with a degree in Civil Engineering. He moved to Rapid City and worked for Alliance of Architects and Engineers. He married Kathie Anderson on December 19, 1987 in Spearfish, South Dakota. A few days after their marriage, Bryan took a job with the US Army Corps of Engineers. He worked at Oahe Dam in Pierre, South Dakota and Fort Peck, Montana until 1989 when he became the Chief Engineer at Gavins Point Dam in Yankton.

Bryan was a very talented musician and enjoyed singing, fishing, hunting, and building remote control airplanes. He was a very hardworking, honest man who never complained and was always
willing to help anyone, never expecting anything in return. He was always concerned about the rules and regulations of anything he was involved with and was very dedicated to the Corps of Engineers.