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Donald Ray Stafford departed this world on July 12th, 2020 to be with Jesus. He was seventy-eight years old and was a lifetime resident of Gregg Co. He married Barbara Lee Stephens on March 26th, 1966 and they were married for 54 years. They have one daughter, Deborah Lee. Donald Ray was preceded in death by one son Rodney Ray, his mother Norma Ball Stafford, and his dad Moses Stafford, one sister Liz Stafford Robbins, Had one niece Donna and nephew Steve Robbins. The Family would like to express their sincere appreciation for all the help Terrell provide to the family.

Mr. Stafford is survived by his wife Barbara and their daughter Deborah Lee and special sister-in-law Danell Willis.

Mr. Stafford worked at Ben Maines air conditioning for many years. He had a desire to help people and would anytime he could. He had very special friends that they met every Friday at the Back Porch in Kilgore.

Special thanks to Premier Home Health Care for their help for Mr. Stafford and the family. He passed away at Buckner Rehab.

Services will be on July 16th at 2 O' clock in the Chapel of Rader Funeral Home and visitation will be on July 15th from 6 to 8 at Rader Funeral Home Chapel. Bro. David Hampton will officiate. Burial will take place at Grace Hill Cemetery in Longview.



Events

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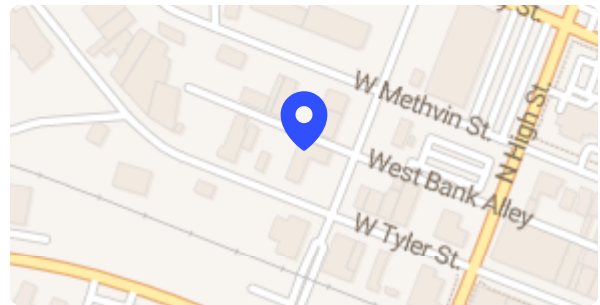
Chapel Service - Longview

- Thursday**, July 16, 2020
- 2:00 PM CT
- Rader Funeral Home**
1617 Judson Rd., Longview TX 75601



Cemetery Details

- Grace Hill Cemetery**
HWY 80 & Tyler St., Longview TX





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Rader Funeral Home shared a **Webcast Video**.



July 16 at 9:43 AM



Karen And Randy Maines posted:

Don, you were always so kind to everyone you met, and always smiling. I don't think I ever saw you without a smile. Anytime I ran into customers of Ben Maines AC, they would tell me how you'd gone above and beyond to help them. You weren't just "the AC guy"- you were a friend to all. You were family to us. Your love for your family was first above everything. You would beam with pride when talking about your wife and daughter. All that knew you were better off for the experience. You'll be missed here, but we'll see you soon!

July 16 at 2:18 PM



H E Roeber posted:

We were very sad to hear of Don's passing, however we are confident that we will meet again. Don was a friend to me for many years, having served together in church and working together in the air conditioning trade. Don was a man of his word, loyal and always willing to go the extra mile no matter the cost. Our prayer for Barbara and Debbie is the peace promised by our Lord to those who place their trust in Him. Cotton and Dorris Roeber

July 16 at 12:47 PM



Barbara Sue Morgan lit a candle in honor of Donald.

Our Sincere Prayers, for Barbara and Debbie...The Stafford Family, were 'Our Neighbors'.....Our 'Earthly Rewards are in Heaven', and those that, 'We Loved, on Earth' are 'Watching Over Us'.....May 'God Bless You Both', during this 'Sad Time'..Barbara and Tami and Family....and 'My Mother in Heaven', Lona...



July 15 at 7:17 PM



Becky Thomas posted:

My sympathy to Barbara and Debbie. I worked with Don at Ben Maines for several years and he was always so kind to me. God bless you and give you peace and comfort. Becky Thomas

July 15 at 4:26 PM



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NS

Norman Simpson posted:

Long time friend-so sad for family-Donald and I talked on a regular basis-sharing thoughts and praying for and with each other/ always talking about how our problems and cares would one day be over when we get to our final reward in heaven-Donald/ you beat me there!!- Barbara- my prayers for you and Debbie will continue as Donald would want-Blessed by your faithfulness over the years!!!

July 15 at 3:21 AM



Anonymous sent a Sweet Tranquility Basket to the Stafford family.



July 14 at 4:39 PM

TF

Tom Ferguson posted:

I remember Don as a good man who had a servant's heart. He was my Sunday School teacher back in the early 70s. He and my Dad (Travis) were good friends and often worked on church projects together like helping with the AC at the Teen Challenge ranch. I look back with admiration on his life of strong faith in God in spite of the tragedies that he and his family faced. Barbara, Debbie - may the Lord bless you and comfort you at this difficult time. I will continue to pray for you both as I have for so many years. Don is now with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Tom Ferguson

July 14 at 12:16 PM

DP

Danielle Perry lit a candle in honor of Donald.

Donald was a great man. He had no greater love than the love that he had for his wife Barbara and daughter Debbie, besides the love he had for Jesus. I've had the pleasure of assisting them for the last few years and to my pleasure it was. Whether they came into the office or we chatted on the phone, I loved listening to the stories he could tell and he had some good ones. He will truly be missed. Many prayers for you ladies and the rest of your family.



July 14 at 11:38 AM



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Jean Taylor posted:

Hi Barbara, I have many happy memories of Don and the whole CA group from First Assembly. We had such a tight-knit group. Remembering the trips to Dallas (when the guys would let us girls go) to the gospel quartet concerts. Remembering he had white shoes, dressed so neat and liked Dr. Peppers. His mom was so sweet. These will be challenging times ahead for you, but rest assure that Jesus is there with you. (I lost Jerry last year after 52 years). If I can ever be of help, or just someone to talk with, please feel free to call me at 903 399 0994. Prayers for you all. Jean Taylor

July 14 at 11:35 AM



Media

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Donald by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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