



Donald W. Rifenburg

August 29, 1944 - October 2, 2015

Donald W. Rifenburg (Don) of Hallstead, PA fell asleep at home on October 2, 2015 in the arms of the Lord and surrounded by his loving family after a long and courageous battle with cancer.

He was born in Binghamton, New York on August 29, 1944 and was the son of Edward and Louella Rifenburg.

Don was retired from over 40 years as a CNC machinist, working in several machine shops in the area. Don was a Vietnam veteran who served his country in the United States Air Force from 1966 to 1970. He was a lifetime member of the American Legion Post 357 in Hallstead, PA, the Kirkwood United Methodist Church and the Kirkwood Historical Society.

Don was predeceased by his parents, sisters Betty DiBenedetto and Evelyn Van Dusen.

Survivors include his wife of nearly 39 years Maggie, daughter Melissa (Bob) Gaska and their children Katie, Donny and Levi; daughter Tammie (Sam) Denney and their children Kaylie and Jordan; son David Rifenburg and husband Anthony Perico and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Tuttle-Yeisley Funeral Home

in Hallstead, PA.

Calling hours will be at the Kirkwood United Methodist Church, 255 Main Street, Kirkwood, NY at 4:00 p.m. with funeral service to follow at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, October 6, 2015. Officiating will be Pastor Diane Prentice and Don's son-in-law Bob Gaska.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made in Don's memory to the Hospice of the Sacred Heart, 600 Baltimore Drive, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702 or the Kirkwood United Methodist Church PO Box 394, Kirkwood, NY 13795.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 6. 4:00 PM (ET)

First United Methodist Church
255 Main Street
Kirkwood, NY

Service

OCT 6. 5:00 PM (ET)

First United Methodist Church
255 Main Street
Kirkwood, NY

Tribute Wall

PM

“ *PATTY MORRIS lit a candle in memory of Donald W. Rifenburg*



PATTY MORRIS - April 03, 2016 at 04:38 PM

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Donnie was a great friend will miss him very much.

PATTY MORRIS - April 03, 2016 at 04:39 PM

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“ *Patty Morris lit a candle in memory of Donald W. Rifenburg*



patty morris - October 06, 2015 at 08:23 PM

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“ *I am so very sorry for your loss. Don was a wonderful man, always had a smile on his face and kind words to say. He came into Beavers Restaurant almost daily for coffee or dinner with Maggie such a wonderful couple. My heart goes out to all.. Thoughts and prayers are with you on this Sad Day.. But always know Don will be watching over you everyday...
R.I.P Don....
Gone But Not Forgotten*



Tammy Chandler - October 06, 2015 at 11:06 AM

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“ *April Williams lit a candle in memory of Donald W. Rifenbury*



april williams - October 02, 2015 at 07:30 PM