



Donald Thomas Cooper

November 2, 1931 - December 17, 2023

Donald Thomas Cooper, 92, of Jasper, Indiana, died on December 17, 2023. Born on November 2, 1931, in McKeesport, Pennsylvania, Donald was a loving husband, devoted father and grandfather, and caring friend.

Don is survived by his wife of 66 years, Joan Cooper of Jasper, Indiana, his son John Cooper (Jennifer) of Atlanta, Georgia (granddaughters Emily Cooper, Mimi Cooper, and Janie Cooper), his daughter Elisabeth Luff (Mark) of Velpen, Indiana (granddaughters Catherine Brower (Greg), Marie Bland (Ivan), Lauren Luff, and Rebekah Luff, and great-grandchildren Garrett Brower and Isabelle Brower and was preceded in death by his daughter Anne Marie Cooper of Evansville.

Don graduated from the University of Detroit in 1953 with a degree in Journalism. Following his education, he served as a First Lieutenant in the United States Air Force during the Korean War from 1954 to 1956.

Don had a long and successful career in the advertising business. He spent more than twenty years at Keller-Crescent in Evansville and many years at Campbell Ewald in Detroit, Michigan.

Don enjoyed playing bridge, having breakfast with friends at the Cross-Eyed Cricket, and the company of his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

A long-time parishioner at Corpus Christi Catholic Church, Don found solace and community in his strong Catholic faith, and was a recipient of the Brute Award in recognition of his commitment to living a life of Christian stewardship.

A viewing is scheduled for Thursday, December 21, 2023 from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM CST at Pierre Funeral Home, located at 2601 W Franklin St, Evansville. A funeral mass will be held at Corpus Christi Catholic Church on Friday, December 22, at 10:00 AM CST, Rev. Bill Nicholas officiating. Burial will follow at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery, where the Vanderburgh County Retired Veterans Memorial Club will conduct military rites.

In lieu of flowers, please donate on Don's behalf to Corpus Christi Catholic Church or St. Mary Catholic Church in Ireland, Indiana.

Condolences may be made online at www.pierrefuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery

2500 Mesker Park Drive
Evansville, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **21**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home
2601 West Franklin Street
Evansville, IN 47712
(812) 423-6471
info@pierrefuneralhome.com
<https://www.pierrefuneralhome.com>

Visitation

DEC **22**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Corpus Christi Catholic Church
5528 Hogue Road
Evansville, IN

Mass of Christian Burial

DEC **22**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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5528 Hogue Road
Evansville, IN

Tribute Wall

AA

“ Dear Aunt Joan and family,
My sincere condolences to you all. I have so many fond memories of Uncle Don. He was an amazing person that saw good in everyone. God Bless you. Love Allison Aubin

Allison Aubin - December 23, 2023 at 01:30 PM

EB

“ Dear Joan and family, We met Don later in life. He was always kind and very knowledgeable. His and your 80th birthday party was a tribute to the number of people who love you both and to the respect with which you have both treated others through the years. We are fortunate to have called you both our friends. Love and prayers, Chris and Elizabeth Berneking

Elizabeth Berneking - December 21, 2023 at 12:31 PM

JG

“ Dear Joan, Elizabeth, and families: I was very sorry to learn of Don's passing. I remember him from our early days in the PTA at Perry Heights School through later years at the WNIN Radio Reading Service. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and yours. John Gottcent

John Gottcent - December 21, 2023 at 10:05 AM

BU

Dear Joan, Gerry and I are sad to hear of Don's passing. We remember you both as dear friends while raising our families and working at Keller. Don was always so kind and considerate of others. You are in our hearts.
Barbara and Gerry Ulrich

Barbara Ulrich - December 22, 2023 at 07:53 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donald Thomas Cooper.*



December 21, 2023 at 08:53 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donald Thomas Cooper.*



December 20, 2023 at 09:14 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald Thomas Cooper.*



December 20, 2023 at 01:27 PM