



Donald L. Wedding

December 14, 1932 - January 14, 2023

Don Wedding, a faithful Catholic, 90, left this world on January 14, 2023, with his children at his side. He was a loving and blessed man.

Surviving Don are his three caring children: Don (Gloria) Wedding, Cathy (Bryan) Norman and Christy (Jim) Bauer as well as his grandchildren, Christopher (Brianna) Wedding, Valerie (Taylor) Morrow, Eric (Kalie) Wedding, Chelsea (Christopher) Barrett, Danielle (Alex) Mitchell, Hadley Bauer, and Addison Bauer and a brother-in-law, Tom Stocker. He also has eight great-grandchildren. Don's family was the heart of his life. He loved them all very much. He was preceded in death by his amazing wife of 54 years, Patricia Wedding, in 2011. Also preceding Don were brothers Bill, Bob, Gene, and sister, Janice Wedding.

Born December 14, 1932, to Edward and Elizabeth Wedding, Don soon started school at St. Joseph. He cherished memories there as an altar boy and member of the choir, boy scouts, orchestra, and football team. He graduated from Memorial High School while working at a grocery store and participating in the band as a drummer. With the Korean War in progress, Don was accepted into air school. Upon graduation, he was assigned to a top-secret Naval Air Station in the desert, China Lake. He was a Banshee plane captain who once flew with astronaut Wally Schirra.

After finishing his time with the Navy, Don returned to Evansville and attended Evansville College while working. He also continued his lifelong hobby of playing drums in regional bands where he met several famous musicians. Don was very active with Knights of Columbus, Sportsman's Club, USI Varsity Club, Resurrection Church, bowling leagues, the American Chemical Society, National Geographic Society, and American Legion.

Mead Johnson/Bristol Myers is where Don was primarily employed as a research scientist, and he retired after 35 years. He loved to vacation with his family and traveled to the southwest many times to fly planes as well as occasionally trying his luck in Las Vegas. He loved the Gulf Coast and visited there almost annually, and one year even adventured a trip to central Europe.

The funeral will be at Resurrection Catholic Church on Wednesday, January 18, at 10:30 with visitation there beginning at 9:00. Father Jerry Pratt will be presiding. Military honors following at St. Joseph Cemetery. Memorial contributions would benefit Resurrection Catholic Church or Heart to Heart Hospice.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to Heart to Heart Hospice and Don's nurse, Tara, for their kind and compassionate care.

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

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery

2500 Mesker Park Drive
Evansville, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 18. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Resurrection Catholic Church
5301 New Harmony Road
Evansville, IN

Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 18. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *My heartfelt condolences to all of you...Don's beautiful family . I'm so saddened to learn of his death, having moved to The Villages, Fl. 3yrs ago. Our friendship originated with the Martin King Orchestra....Don, drummer; me, vocalist. Later our paths crossed while golfing. Don was a very talented, interesting, funny, intelligent, patriotic guy who loved his country and adored his family. I'm lucky to have known him and shared time and wonderful memories together.*

My thoughts and prayers ❤️

*Mickey Halburnt
The Villages, Florida*

Mickey Halburnt - May 02, 2023 at 01:41 PM

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“ *Donny, Cathy,Christy and Family
We were so sorry to hear about Don passing away. I have lost touch with him since I left the bank and I had no idea he was sick. I thought so much of him and missed getting to talk to him. He is at peace now and with your mother. I will keep him and your family in my prayers. Sincerely, Nancy, Tim and Maddie Schneider*

Nancy Schneider - January 17, 2023 at 10:43 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donald L. Wedding.*



January 17, 2023 at 09:33 PM



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January 17, 2023 at 12:26 PM



“ Thanks for serving. He had a full and very impressive life! Fly High and RIP

anonymous - January 17, 2023 at 07:23 AM



“ Donald L. Wedding

January 16, 2023 at 06:53 PM



“ Cathy & Christy-
We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Your family will be in our prayers.
Sincerely,
John & Jeanne Dewig

j dewig - January 16, 2023 at 03:22 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Donald L. Wedding.



January 16, 2023 at 01:07 PM

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“ *My Sympathy to Don's family and friends.
Eternal rest grant unto Don, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine
upon him.
May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the
mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

Cathy Funkhouser (BMS Retiree) - January 16, 2023 at 10:27 AM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the
family of Donald L. Wedding.*



January 15, 2023 at 07:33 PM



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family of Donald L. Wedding.*



January 15, 2023 at 06:54 PM