



Donald Wonderlich

December 13, 1949 - December 7, 2018

Donald Wonderlich, 68, of Ollie, died on Friday, December 7, 2018, at Mercy Medical Center in Des Moines. He was born December 13, 1949, in Fairfield, Iowa, the son of Keith and Betty Sloan Wonderlich. He attended Pekin Schools. Following school, he enlisted in the United States Army, he served from 1969 – 1971. Following his honorable discharge, he returned to Ollie. Early on Don worked at Chain and Cable in Fairfield for a few years. On November 13, 1973, he was united in marriage to Cheryl Ann McVay at Sigourney, Iowa. Cheryl died on June 22, 1994. Don worked for a short time driving truck for Bill Winn Trucking. Most of his working life he spent doing construction. He started out working for his father's construction company Wonderlich Construction. In 2003, the business transitioned to him, he owned and operated Wonderlich Construction until 2017. In the spring of 2017 he went back to work at Bill Winn Trucking hauling rock. He enjoyed woodworking and taking care of his property especially his pond. He was a member of the American Legion. He delighted in spending time with his family. As a final act of love and generosity, Don's wish to be a tissue donor was honored by his family. Through the selflessness of Don and his family, donor recipients are given a new lease on life.

Don's family includes his significant other, RenElla Crawford of Ollie, four children, Robbin (Tony) Clubb of Hedrick, Nathan (Tasha) Smith of Kalona, Nichole Smith of Ollie, and Keith Crawford of Ottumwa; ten grandchildren,

Jennifer Clubb, Jessica Clubb, Delany Smith, Macey Smith, Jamison Smith, and one Smith on the way, Keelan Scott, Kylin Williams, Quincy Crawford, Audrey Crawford, and Jordan Crawford; three brothers, Jeff (Yvonne) Wonderlich of Ollie, Terry (Rhonda) Wonderlich of Ollie, and Craig Wonderlich of Florida; a sister in law, Janie Wonderlich of Colorado; a brother in law, David (Diane) McVay of Georgia; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

In addition to his wife Cheryl, Don was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Michael Wonderlich; and a sister, Ann Wonderlich.

A celebration of life service will be held Thursday, December 13, 2018, at 1 p.m. in the Fremont Funeral Chapel in Fremont with Reverend Frosty VanVoorst officiating. As was Don's wish his body has been cremated and burial of the urn will be in the Rock Creek Cemetery. The Fremont Funeral Chapel is in charge of the arrangements. Visitation with the family present will be on Thursday from 11 a.m. until service time at 1p.m. in the Fremont Funeral Chapel. Memorials may be made to the family.

Cemetery Details

Rock Creek Cemetery

Ollie, IA

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **13**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Fremont Funeral Chapel
Walnut and Main Street
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Tribute Wall

NI

“ *Niki lit a candle in memory of Donald Wonderlich*



Niki - December 23, 2018 at 11:20 PM

JW

“ *Donnie was such a nice guy, and I will certainly miss talking to him on the phone and stopping to see him when coming to Iowa.*



Janie Wonderlich - December 14, 2018 at 12:40 AM

TS

“ *Donnie was a great person. I always enjoyed sitting around the table listening to his many stories. He was a great story teller. I think I liked Donnie so much because he reminded me a lot of my Dad and I know he would do anything for someone who treats him right. He will be missed.*

Tasha Smith - December 11, 2018 at 09:15 AM

TW

“ Donnie was more than a truck driver or employee at Winn Corp. He was a life long friend touching 4 generations. My grandfather Dean Winn was a friend of the family. Donnie and my Dad Bill Winn grew up together. While Donnie was older than me "Terry Winn" he was a life long friend and both he and brother Jeff followed my racing. Lastly my kids Jonathan and Tayler both were friends and socialised daily with Donnie. Donnie also had Jonathan personally take care of his dump truck. We all lived in Ollie at the time , with only 224 people everyone is family and everything personally touches hearts , minds and lives. The Wonderlich family built many projects for the Winns but now when we look at them it'll be from a different prospective. He'll be loved and missed greatly . Our hearts will heal and tears will dry , but the memories will last for ever.
Terry Winn

Terry Winn - December 09, 2018 at 07:47 PM

CB

“ Candy (smith) Briggs lit a candle in memory of Donald Wonderlich



Candy (smith) Briggs - December 09, 2018 at 06:47 PM