



Donald Franklin Blosser

July 15, 2020

Donald Franklin Blosser, 73 passed away peacefully in his sleep on Wednesday, July 15, 2020. He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Elizabeth Blosser and 2 daughters, Lori Milton, and Lynne Picozzi, as well as his 2 grandchildren, James, and Lizzie Milton. He was the son of Dorothy and Kirby Blosser and a loyal brother to Mary Eaton, Eleanor McClure, Douglas Blosser, Robert Blosser and Herbert Blosser. Don was an avid hunter and enjoyed many Fall seasons at the hunting cabin and was also a classic Ford Bronco enthusiast. He served in the US Army during the Vietnam War and was an active participant in his local American Legion including serving as Commander. Don was a proud Fairfax County firefighter and retired at the rank of Lieutenant in 1995. Family was everything to Don and we will cherish our memories of fireworks at the beach in Emerald Isle, Christmas omelets, cross country trips in the RV, relaxing in Key West and cookouts on the back deck. A Graveside Service will be held at 11 am on Saturday July 25th at Emmanuel Lutheran Cemetery in New Market, VA. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations to Vietnam Veterans of America, 8719 Colesville Rd., Suite 100, Silver Spring, MD 20910, FiRSTeam, P.O. Box 3806, Fairfax, VA 22038 or Virginia Association for Parks, P.O. Box 9205, Norfolk, VA 23505. Cemetery Details Emmanuel Lutheran Cemetery 155 East Lee Street New Market, VA 22844 Previous Events Service JUL 25. 11:00 AM (ET)Emmanuel Lutheran Cemetery 155 East Lee Street New Market, VA 22844

Tribute Wall

DN

“ Dear Lori, Wes, James and Lizzie, Bill and I were so sad to learn of Lori's Dad's passing. I remember meeting him at your wedding many years ago. I know he will be sorely missed. Debbie and Bill Nidel

Debra Nidel - July 27, 2020 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Dudley & Pam Miller lit a candle in memory of Donald Franklin Blosser

Dudley & Pam Miller - July 26, 2020 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ Sending all my love! Such beautiful memories Lori. M&M. So sorry for your loss. Hugs to Libbie and Lynn. Miss you!

Jenn Fancher Robinson - July 25, 2020 at 12:00 AM

CU

“ This if from Pee Wee Rhinehart and Frances Walton since they don't have fb anymore.

Carolyn Umbarger - July 24, 2020 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Don and I were both Firefighters at the Mt Vernon fire station in the early 70's. He was the kind of person that made you smile inside when you saw him. Bill Spalding, the station captain at the time, would call him "Blossom" and for good reason. He was always upbeat, good natured and a pleasure to work with. A true role model for us "new-boy" firefighters. Don at the time was an avid bass fisher. When I was first getting into the sport, he gave me a top-water bait and told me how to fish it. I still have that lure. I Don't remember how many fish it caught but I do cherish the memories of Don that it holds. Rest in Peace my friend. Mark Wheatley

Mark Wheatley - July 24, 2020 at 12:00 AM

CU

“ Knew the whole Blosser family well and I am sorry to hear about Donnie's passing. We send our sympathy to the family.

Carolyn Umbarger - July 24, 2020 at 12:00 AM

CU

“ I will remember him as Donnie mainly because he was friends with my brother Donnie Rhinehart and I am friends with his sisters Mary and Eleanor. You all have my deepest sympathy because I know what you are going through.

Carolyn Umbarger - July 24, 2020 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Donald Franklin Blosser.

Country Basket Blooms - July 24, 2020 at 12:00 AM

HC

“ *Helen Scott and George Caperton purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Donald Franklin Blosser.*

Helen Scott and George Caperton - July 23, 2020 at 12:00 AM

GA

“ *Don and I grew up together. A great guy that everyone liked being around. He will be missed. I remember a lot of good times. Paying baseball, going to the Blue Stone, and just hanging out.*

gary arehart - July 23, 2020 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ *To the Blosser Family, My heart-felt condolences go out to each family member. I first met Don at American Legion Post 320 swearing-in in 1994. I knew and felt instantly that he was a man of honor and was a special individual. When we pass; you see the beginning and end dates. What we do not know is what that dash represented or stood for. I can say that Don's dash was not just a dash. He was kind, giving, unselfish and just a da** good man! He was one of those guys you always wanted on your team. A well-respected husband, dad, brother, son and true friend that will be missed. Thank you for allowing me to share a small piece of your life. Rest in Peace, my Brother, Ted Worley 1stSgt USMC Ret*

Ted Worley - July 22, 2020 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *RIP.. Don was a good firefighter, with a stellar reputation.*

James Clark - July 22, 2020 at 12:00 AM

VW

“ My wife and I extend our condolences to Elizabeth and the girls. I have fond memories of "junkyard discussions" at the Insteel (Rappahannock Wire) plant While waiting for loads of wire for us to deliver. I also have memories of stories we shared of our fire fighting experiences since I am a lifetime Chief of the Plaza Volunteer Fire Department in Va. Beach.. Don was a good man and will be missed. I am glad to have known him and worked with him. Blessings to your family. Vince and Janice Weimer Fredericksburg, VA

Vincent Weimer - July 22, 2020 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Me and Don spent many hours together delivering steel wire together all over the country. We shared a truck at Rappahannock Wire and Insteel Wire. He was always a great and safe driver. We shared a lot of great times and interesting events together. He was always a class act. A class guy. He was well respected in the fire department. We will miss you Yogi. Don Booth

Don Booth - July 22, 2020 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ Lieutenant Don Blooser was not only a good man he was a great person. I had the opportunity to work with Don when were assigned at the Woodlawn Station. You couldn't ask for a better fireman, leader or mentor. He was very passionate about his job and ensured his men under his command were taken care of. I had the opportunity to car pool with Don and I learned a lot about the love he had for his family, his special hobby with his Ford Bronco and his alternative part time job driving a tractor trailer. Don Blosser was one of a kind and I will truly miss him. Respectfully, Deputy Fire Chief Sean M. Egan District of Columbia Fire Department

Sean M Egan - July 22, 2020 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Kenny "puppy" Sanders lit a candle in memory of Donald Franklin Blosser

Kenny "puppy" Sanders - July 22, 2020 at 12:00 AM

EC

“ Don and I went to school together in NM and at Stonewall. He was a year ahead of me. Golly we played little league , hunted, fished and shot pool at the NM pool hall that Benny Long ran. Man the memories. Elizabeth I am so sorry for your loss for you and your family. Slow hand salute to you Don and till Valhalla...Skol.....

Earl Cline - July 22, 2020 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Don and I worked together at the Woodlawn Station Co 24. He was a great officer to work with, always there to assist you in anyway he could. he was a true route 1 highway firefighter. It was always a pleasure to work with him and I am sorry to here of his passing. My thoughts and prayer go out to his Family. May they know that he was a good and fair man and will be greatly missed. May he rest in heavenly peace.

Cecil Starkey - July 22, 2020 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ I first started working with Don at Mt. Vernon Fire Station, Company 9, in April of 1973. I was hired and assigned to "B" shift and Don was the wagon driver with Jim Adams as the shift leader. It was probably the best group of firefighters I worked with in my entire career! Don was a true firefighter's firefighter!! Our paths crossed often over the years and Don never changed since I first met him. I am so sorry for your loss and I pray that Don is now free of pain. Steve St.Clair, retired Captain FCFD.

Steve St.Clair - July 21, 2020 at 12:00 AM