



Donald H. Childs

October 14, 1942 - January 10, 2024

The staff at Heishman Funeral Home Inc. sends condolences to the family of Donald H. Childs.

Donald H. Childs, 81, of Woodstock, died January 10, 2024, at his home. Don was born October 14, 1942, in Winchester, the son of the late Eileen Link and Hunter Childs. He was a graduate of Clarke County High School. Upon graduation he served his country in the United States Air Force, something he was very proud of. Following his honorable discharge from active duty, Don continued to serve in the National Guard based in Winchester and worked many years as an Insurance Adjuster, retiring from Erie Insurance Group.

Don married his wife, Donna "Susie" Childs, on June 24, 1995. He was a member of the Woodstock Moose Lodge 575, Woodstock American Legion Post 199, and was a trustee at Mt. Calvary United Church of Christ where he also served as the church treasurer. Don was a history buff with a particular interest in local Civil War history and he loved watching World War II movies.

Along with his wife Susie, Don is survived by his children, Angie (Dave) DeHaven, Toni (Wayne) Dinges, and Derek (Julie) Ritenour; his grandchildren Evan Bly, Brooke Dinges, Anna Ritenour, and Lucas Ritenour, and Sister-in-Law Carolyn "Janie" Childs.

Don was predeceased by his brother, Hunter “Bud” Childs, and his Step-Father, George Link.

A memorial service will be held on Sunday, January 14, 2024, at 1:00pm at Mt. Calvary United Church of Christ with the Rev. Derek Ritenour officiating. Burial will be private at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to Mt. Calvary United Church of Christ, 1299 Sheetz Mill Road, Woodstock, VA 22664.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 14. 1:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Calvary United Church of Christ
1299 Sheetz Mill Road
Woodstock, VA 22664

Tribute Wall

MN

“ We are deeply saddened over the passing of Don Childs, and send our condolences to his wife, Susie, his daughter, Angie, his grandson, Evan, and to his extended and extensive loving family.

We were next door neighbors of Don, and his then wife, Sue, in Dale City, VA in 1967-1972, and stayed in touch as we traveled about. We enjoyed innumerable wholesome good times at neighborhood barbecues, house parties, river outings, and dances at the Woodbridge Moose Lodge. He was a great and animated storyteller with a Southern drawl, a true patriot (served proudly in Crete), a knowledgeable Civil War buff, and he embraced family and national values, and his God.

May the good Lord continue to love and bless Don Childs and hold him close.

Lovingly, and with fond remembrances of Don,

Mike and Dale Nepi
Sarasota, Florida

Mike Nepi - June 09, 2024 at 11:46 AM

SB

“ Susie, just hearing of Don's passing today. I could not have asked for a better neighbor over the years while you guys lived across the street. I am so sorry for your loss. Don was a very good, genuine, person and I enjoyed our talks over the years. May your memories give you and family comfort in the days ahead. "Rest in peace" Don...

Steve Bauserman - March 03, 2024 at 03:33 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Donald H. Childs.



January 12, 2024 at 07:54 AM



“ Our deepest sympathy to the entire family.
John and Tish Richman

Tish Richman - January 11, 2024 at 08:42 PM



“ Susie and family, I am so very sorry to learn of the death of your husband. My thoughts are with you. Diana Williams

Diana Williams - January 11, 2024 at 11:51 AM



“ To Susie and the rest of the family and friends of Don we extend our sincerest sympathy. Thinking of all of you! Janice & Ken

Janice & Ken Ryman - January 11, 2024 at 08:21 AM



“ Susie and family, I am so very sorry for your loss. Donnie was a sweetheart and Kirby thought so much of him. You are in my prayers. God bless.

AnnB. Lloyd - January 10, 2024 at 10:05 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Donald H. Childs.



January 10, 2024 at 05:46 PM