



## Donald A. Bazzell

July 7, 1953 - August 6, 2023

Dateline: Godfrey

Donald A. Bazzell, 70, passed away peacefully with his family by his side at Christian Hospital on Sunday, August 6, 2023. Born July 7, 1953 in Alton, he was the son of Paul and Freda (Miller) Bazzell. He worked for the Olin Corporation for more than 40 years, retiring in 2013 and consulting for the company in Mississippi for two years following. Don was a faithful member of Godfrey First United Methodist Church, where he was a member of the Board of Trustees and United Methodist Men, volunteering wherever he could be of help. He married Pam Taul on May 25, 1974. She survives. Also surviving are two children, Corey Bazzell and his wife, Becky, of Brighton, IL and Kristin Leavy and her husband, Nick, of Florissant, MO, three grandchildren, Gage Bazzell, Ashlee Little, and Sam Little, one great-grandson, Oliver Little, two brothers, Dale Bazzell of Pacific, MO, and Wayne Gallagher of Alton, a sister, Paula Harvey (Bob) of Montgomery, TX, and a very special uncle, Jerry Miller (Karen), along with many nieces and nephews, cousins and lifelong friends. Don was a humble and kind man, with strong convictions. He will be remembered for his quick wit, strong sense of humor and infectious laugh. Visitation will be from 2:00-6:00 p.m. Sunday, August 13, 2023 at Gent Funeral Home in Alton. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Monday, August 14, 2023 at the Godfrey First United Methodist Church, 1100 Airport Road, Godfrey. Reverend Jay Hanscom will officiate. Burial will be at Rose Lawn Memory Gardens in Bethalto. Memorials may be made to: Godfrey First

United Methodist Church (the Don Bazzell Memorial Fund). A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Online guestbook and information may be found at [www.gentfuneralhome.com](http://www.gentfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Rose Lawn Memory Gardens

10 Erwin Plegge Blvd.  
Bethalto, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 13. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Gent Funeral Home & Cremation Services  
2409 State Street  
Alton, IL 62002  
(618) 466-5544  
<https://www.gentfuneralhome.com/>

## Funeral

AUG 14. 11:00 AM (CT)

Godfrey First United Methodist Church  
Airport Road  
Godfrey, IL 62035

# Tribute Wall



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Donald A. Bazzell.* ”



August 12, 2023 at 01:19 PM



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“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Donald A. Bazzell.* ”



August 12, 2023 at 11:52 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Donald A. Bazzell.* ”



August 10, 2023 at 07:47 PM

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“ *The Beem family immediately became good church friends with Don and Pam. we enjoyed Don's company and his dedicated work with the church and certainly his kind manner and always a friendly smile. He will be missed and always in our hearts. Don, give Sharilyn a big hug for me (: Don, Cindy, Roxanne, Jane & Donna*



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**DONALD F BEEM** - August 10, 2023 at 06:59 PM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Donald A. Bazzell.*



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August 10, 2023 at 06:42 PM

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“ *Don and I worked in Metallic Loading in the 70's. Don and Pam are good people. God bless the family.*

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**Donald McMaster** - August 10, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald A. Bazzell.*



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August 09, 2023 at 03:54 PM

PS

“ I am going to miss your smiling face around the neighborhood.  
Pam and family are in our prayers.

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**Patrick J Shansey** - August 09, 2023 at 03:18 PM

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*It would take pages to share all the wonderful stories, of the memories I have of Donnie and Pam, over the years, vacations, football games and just being a friend. Just a great person was he. Always a smile. Will miss you Don. Uncle, friend, Terry T.*

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**Terry Taul** - August 13, 2023 at 01:31 PM