



Donald Lee Bracht

March 6, 1936 - August 15, 2021

Dateline: Godfrey

Donald Lee Bracht, 85, died at 11:55 p.m. Sunday, August 15, 2021 at his home in Godfrey. Born March 6, 1936 in Alton, he was the son of Enos Keltner and Sarah Lorraine (Narup) Bracht. Mr. Bracht served in the U.S. Army and was a member of St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Godfrey. He retired from State Farm Insurance in 1995 as a claims superintendent. On April 28, 1962 he married the former Patricia Ann Fortschneider in Alton. She survives. Also surviving are two sons, Todd Michael Bracht (Amanda) of Hendersonville, TN, and Josh Paul Bracht of Spokane, WA, one grandchild, Eva Pressley Bracht, and a brother, Ron Bracht of Bethalto. Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by three brothers, Carl, Ralph and Bob Bracht. Visitation will be from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Friday, August 20, 2021 at Gent Funeral Home in Alton. A memorial Mass will be held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, August 21, 2021 at St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Godfrey. Father Steven Janoski will officiate. Memorials may be made to the Leukemia Society. Online guestbook and information may be found at www.gentfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **20**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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

Mass

AUG **21**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Ambrose Catholic Church
820 W. Homer Adams Parkway
Godfrey, IL 62035

Tribute Wall



“ *Donald Lee Bracht*

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



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January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *Stephanie Thompson purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Donald Lee Bracht.*



Stephanie Thompson - August 20, 2021 at 01:56 PM



“ *We lift up prayers and sympathy as we lovingly remember Uncle Don and celebrate his life, his laughter, and his love felt by so many. To Patty, Todd, Josh, Amanda, sweet Eva, and the many others who feel this loss so much, we hold you in our thoughts and hearts. John, Stephanie, Lily, and Caroline Thompson*

Stephanie Thompson - August 20, 2021 at 01:50 PM

PC

“ Prayers and love, Barb and Kay Caldwell purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Donald Lee Bracht.



Prayers and love, Barb and Kay Caldwell - August 18, 2021 at 10:43 PM

PW

“ Don Bracht was one of my nicest, kindest cousins. As adults we didn't see much of one another for everyone has their own life to live and his was away mostly. And then he married Patty and that was a surprise that I also knew her family. Can't imagine what it was like to have all those guys in one family. I am sure there were many ups and downs, but we always need to remember we are "family" My condolences to Patty, sons, relatives, and friends who will remember this man and keep the fond memories and love for him forever in their hearts

Patricia West - August 18, 2021 at 05:09 PM

KA

“ My heart is so sad to hear about Don, your wonderful, wise and loving.. Don gave us so much sage and wonderful advice that we have taken seriously and applied throughout our lives. We will be eternally grateful for him advising us. We will never ever forgot his loving acceptance of us into the "adoptive family" of the Bracht family. We will always cherish him and love him. May he Rest Peacefully in the loving arms of Jesus Christ our Savior, God Bless him. Rest in Paradise, Don. We love you.

Kaylyn and Scott

Kaylyn - August 18, 2021 at 12:12 PM

JT

“ *What Great memories, Larry and I have with Patsy and Don. We enjoyed going camping and fishing at Montauk. Don enjoyed fishing and just camping out with us and having fun. Don would always call me Jude. He would always say “Thanks Jude” loved it. Don had the prettiest blue eyes and wearing his powder blue sweatshirt was so neat. I’m so grateful for Don and before he passed I was holding his hand, He squeezed my hand and I was talking to him about his pretty blue eyes and Don open one eye and he put his hand (he was stilling holding my hand) and pulled his hand up to his mouth like he was going to kiss my hand, I had tears rolling down my check, I Loved Don, he was such a great brother-in-law and a great person, husband, father and grandpa. We will all miss Don. 🙏💕.*

Judy and Larry Thompson - August 18, 2021 at 10:50 AM