



Donald "Don" Schmidt

January 14, 1963 - April 17, 2024

Donald "Don" Wayne Schmidt, 61, passed away unexpectedly at 9:37 p.m. Wednesday, April 17, 2024 at OSF St. Anthony's Healthcare Center in Alton. Born January 14, 1963 in St. Louis, MO, he was the son of Albina M. (Hamernik) Schmidt of O'Fallon, MO and the late Vernon P. Schmidt. Don was a member of St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Godfrey and worked for Enterprise in St. Louis, MO. On May 15, 1987 he married the former Laurie Davis at St. Ambrose Catholic Church. She survives. Don was a devoted family man who loved spending time with his grandkids. He enjoyed the weekends boating with his family. Along with his mother and wife, he is survived by three children, Mark Schmidt (Nicole) of Troy, IL, Steve Schmidt of Chicago, and Katie Pennell (Jordan) of Troy, IL, four grandchildren, Grace Schmidt, Luke Schmidt, Jane Pennell, and Will Pennell. Also surviving are two brothers, James Schmidt (Laure) of Punta Gorda, FL, and John Schmidt of O'Fallon, MO, and three sisters, Verna Wilson of O'Fallon, MO, Paula Ryno (Ken) of St. Peters, MO, and Marsha Hoffmann (Scott) of Foristell, MO, two sisters-in-law, Patty Kelly (Mark) of Godfrey, and Linda Rogers (Brian) of San Diego, CA, as well as numerous nieces and nephews. Along with his father, he was preceded in death by a brother-in-law, Gene Wilson and his in-laws, Laurin and Carolyn Davis. Visitation will be from 4:00-7:00 p.m. Monday, April 22, 2024 at Gent Funeral Home. A funeral Mass will be held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Godfrey. Father Steven Janoski will officiate. Memorials may be made to Shriner's Hospitals

for Children. Online guestbook and information may be found at www.gentfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **22**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Gent Funeral Home
2409 State Street
Alton, IL 62002

Funeral Mass

APR **23**. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Ambrose Catholic Church
820 West Homer Adams Pkway
Godfrey, IL 62035

Tribute Wall

VS

“ Laurie and family, I am so sorry for your loss. I know exactly how you feel, I lost Lee in 2015 unexpectedly. My parents loved your family when you lived next door to them. I always thought Don was a super sweet person. You all are in my thoughts and prayers. If you ever need to talk, I am always here for you.

Love,
Valerie Bosaw Strader



Valerie Bosaw Strader - May 08, 2024 at 10:30 PM

MO

“ Deepest condolences to the Schmidt family. Don was a wonderful person and had an awesome working relationship sharing life experiences. Will miss him. Thoughts and prayers for his soul to rest in peace.

Mohan - April 29, 2024 at 12:53 PM

MM

“ Mohan M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald "Don" Schmidt.

Mohan M. - April 29, 2024 at 12:45 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



April 26, 2024 at 04:20 PM



“ Dmitriy Chemlin, Kunal Arora and MP planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald "Don" Schmidt.

Dmitriy Chemlin, Kunal Arora and MP - April 26, 2024 at 04:20 PM



“ Laurie and family, we send our deepest condolences to you and your family at this most difficult time. John and Debbie Caldwell

John A. Caldwell - April 24, 2024 at 12:59 PM



“ Laurie and family I send you my deepest condolences and sympathy at this most difficult time. Don was a very special person and I will never forget him.

Joyce Douglas - April 24, 2024 at 09:11 AM



“ Our deepest condolences to the Schmidt family. Don was a wonderful person and committed employee to Enterprise Mobility. He will be missed.
Kim McCurdy

Kim McCurdy - April 23, 2024 at 06:54 AM

JF

“ *Our heartfelt condolences and continued prayers for your family.*

Jim & Chris Baker & Family - April 22, 2024 at 05:37 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.*



April 22, 2024 at 04:15 PM

CA

“ *CASA purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.*



CASA - April 22, 2024 at 02:56 PM

CA

“ *CASA planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald "Don" Schmidt.*

CASA - April 22, 2024 at 02:56 PM

JE

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Don was a wonderful, kind and thoughtful co-worker. He will be greatly missed.*

Jane & Jim Carter EHI - April 22, 2024 at 02:52 PM

JC

“ Jane C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald "Don" Schmidt.

Jane C. - April 22, 2024 at 02:45 PM

LR

“ My most heartfelt sympathy to the entire Schmidt family. I had the privilege to work with Don for many years at Enterprise. He would share how much love and pride he had for each of you. It was truly a blessing to work with him and an even greater blessing to call him a friend.
Lisa Reinheimer

Lisa Reinheimer - April 22, 2024 at 02:30 PM

SF

“ Sincerely, the Team at Foresite. purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



Sincerely, the Team at Foresite. - April 22, 2024 at 01:08 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



April 22, 2024 at 11:59 AM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



April 22, 2024 at 10:50 AM



“ Love, Sandy Ward & Stacy Alvord planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald "Don" Schmidt.

Love, Sandy Ward & Stacy Alvord - April 22, 2024 at 10:50 AM



“ Laurie, I was so sad to hear of Don's unexpected passing. I will keep you in my prayers and thoughts. I know you have a lot of family and friends who will help you and bring you comfort at this difficult time. I'll always remember when Stacy, Chad and myself moved to Bambi and met you and Don. You were so friendly and kind, welcoming us. Years later when I would run into you and Don, it was just like our days on Bambi. I will be thinking of you Laurie today and all the days moving forward.
Love Michelle (Reynolds) Heinemann, Chad Reynolds and our families.

Michelle - April 22, 2024 at 10:30 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.*



April 22, 2024 at 08:54 AM



“ *From the Moreton family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.*



From the Moreton family - April 22, 2024 at 08:38 AM



“ *From the Moreton family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald "Don" Schmidt.*

From the Moreton family - April 22, 2024 at 08:38 AM



“ *Dom, Nicole, Theo, and Claire purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.*



Dom, Nicole, Theo, and Claire - April 22, 2024 at 08:31 AM

KW

“ Keith and Karen Wooden purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



Keith and Karen Wooden - April 22, 2024 at 03:39 AM

JS

“ Our condolences go out to Laurie, Mark, Steve, Katie and their families. God dished out all good when he made Donald. All that knew him are blessed to have known him. He was the perfect gentleman, always interested and concerned in the welfare of his family. Few people could measure up to his goodness. He survived a tragedy when he was 20, just to bounce back to build a proud legacy. He loved Laurie, his kids, and grandchildren. He was a proud content grandpa. He was honest, loyal, and always available to a fault. He was there when you needed him. His support for others was always above and beyond. If life was a game, he played it perfectly. If it were a test, he would have got an A+. Most importantly, he lived his life following Christ. He will join the loved ones we lost in the past and be waiting to celebrate our reunions in the future. We (his mother Albina and his brother John) miss him dearly. God Bless all that had the privilege of knowing Donald, may he rest in peace.

John W Schmidt - April 21, 2024 at 10:21 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



April 21, 2024 at 09:01 PM

GH

“ Greg and Sheri Hill purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



Greg and Sheri Hill - April 21, 2024 at 01:13 PM

GH

“ Greg and Sheri Hill planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald "Don" Schmidt.

Greg and Sheri Hill - April 21, 2024 at 01:13 PM

CF

“ Cecilia Carracino and family purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



Cecilia Carracino and family - April 21, 2024 at 08:06 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



April 20, 2024 at 10:09 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



April 20, 2024 at 07:26 PM



“ Arrowsmiths, Beisers, & Tanneys planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald "Don" Schmidt.

Arrowsmiths, Beisers, & Tanneys - April 20, 2024 at 07:26 PM



“ With love purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



With love - April 20, 2024 at 06:05 PM



“ Bill, Rick, Betsy, Joan, and families!! purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



Bill, Rick, Betsy, Joan, and families!! - April 20, 2024 at 06:03 PM

EW

“ To Laurie, Mark, Steve & Katie- I've been flooded with memories of growing up with you guys and how special and fun Don was. There are so many; from pool days at your house and eating his super spicy hot wings to him rigging up his truck for us to use as an obstacle course- and so much more. We are all carrying this grief with you. Love- Erica & Ryan Ward

Erica Ward - April 20, 2024 at 05:10 PM

LH

“ Laurie Lambert and Patrick Hopkins purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



Laurie Lambert and Patrick Hopkins - April 20, 2024 at 04:14 PM

JZ

“ James Ziltz purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



James Ziltz - April 20, 2024 at 04:05 PM

AF

“ Laurie and family, It's so hard to put into words of how sorry I'm to hear of Don passing. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Annette Fletcher

Annette Fletcher - April 20, 2024 at 03:41 PM

PK

“ Laurie,
You had the best of the best. My mind still hasn't wrapped around the fact that my neighbor and friend is gone. Don will always be with you in your heart and the faces of your children and grandchildren. The Bambi Street gang will always bring such special memories.
Love you,
Pam

Pam Kuhnline - April 20, 2024 at 02:43 PM

TF

“ The Cochran Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



The Cochran Family - April 20, 2024 at 02:38 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



April 20, 2024 at 02:29 PM

KA

“ Laurie & kids, It's so hard to put into words how sorry we are for your loss and know that Don was loved by many and we will all sincerely miss him. Don was a very special man that touched everybody that knew him. I loved Don like a brother and I will forever feel the loss of my brother my buddy and I will think of him often. Please always know that Lynn and I will always be here for you, We love you all, Love George & Lynn

Kathy Lynn Anderson - April 20, 2024 at 12:15 PM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



April 20, 2024 at 11:33 AM

TB

“ The Bakers planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald "Don" Schmidt.

The Bakers - April 20, 2024 at 11:33 AM

PB

“ My girls and I are stunned and saddened by this loss. Don was our neighbor, friend, and a pallbearer when my husband passed. He was one of the nicest guys a person could know. I am sure he is with your mom and dad, Laurie, holding you and your family in his heart.

Paula Bull

Psuls Bull - April 20, 2024 at 10:37 AM

PM

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. Our prayers and thoughts are with your family..

Paul Mormino - April 20, 2024 at 10:03 AM

LK

“ Laurie and family, so very sorry to hear this sad news. Sending many hugs and will be thinking of you often. Hugs!

Liz Kuhn - April 20, 2024 at 09:38 AM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



April 20, 2024 at 09:06 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



April 20, 2024 at 08:50 AM

SJ

“ Scott, Chris, Matthew, Samantha & Jaxon planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald "Don" Schmidt.

Scott, Chris, Matthew, Samantha & Jaxon - April 20, 2024 at 08:50 AM

SU

“ I am heartbroken over this news! I worked with Don often at EHI/EM and he was always friendly and kind. He will be missed by many. Sending prayers and hugs.

Suzanne - April 19, 2024 at 10:07 PM

TF

“ The Ryno and Noman Families purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



The Ryno and Noman Families - April 19, 2024 at 09:36 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



April 19, 2024 at 06:47 PM

TF

“ The Moradi Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald "Don" Schmidt.

The Moradi Family - April 19, 2024 at 06:47 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.*



April 19, 2024 at 06:45 PM



“ *Jake and Stevie Harrison planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald "Don" Schmidt.*

Jake and Stevie Harrison - April 19, 2024 at 06:45 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.*



April 19, 2024 at 06:27 PM



“ *The Padover Family purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.*



The Padover Family - April 19, 2024 at 06:26 PM

TF

“ The Padover Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald "Don" Schmidt.

The Padover Family - April 19, 2024 at 06:26 PM

FG

“ From Brice & Gabe purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



From Brice & Gabe - April 19, 2024 at 06:12 PM

FG

“ From Brice & Gabe planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald "Don" Schmidt.

From Brice & Gabe - April 19, 2024 at 06:12 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.



April 19, 2024 at 05:41 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" Schmidt.*



April 19, 2024 at 05:40 PM



“ *Brett & Amy Westhoff and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald "Don" Schmidt.*

Brett & Amy Westhoff and family - April 19, 2024 at 05:40 PM