



Donald R. Penn

August 8, 1949 - December 15, 2022

Donald R Penn (Don) passed suddenly after a brief illness on December 15, 2022. He was born August 8, 1949 in Hueytown to the late Mr. Grover C. Penn and Joyce Vail Penn. Don (if you called him Donald, you obviously didn't know him) graduated from Hueytown High School in 1967. Following high school, he began his career of 38 years at Bell South, beginning as a lineman and then moving into management. At the same time, Don volunteered for the United States Marine Corps Reserves and honorably served his country for 8 years. After he achieved his goal of retirement at the age of 52 (we should all be so lucky), Don blissfully spent the next 20 years traveling, fishing, sitting on his porch waving as neighbors drove by, having daily lunches at various places, taking a quality nap after the aforementioned lunch, watching every cowboy movie ever made, and enjoying a daily happy hour with Jimmie and his many friends and family (it was a lively event not to be missed!) But what Don truly enjoyed most of all was being "Paw" to his 3 grandchildren - L.J., Luke and Laura Kate. Don did not waste his words; when he spoke it was worth listening and remembering. He will be missed. Don is survived by his wife Barbara, son Adam (Ashley), step-children Chappell Reeves and Parrish Jones (Alton), his grandchildren, his beloved brother Jimmie Penn and wife Pam, and numerous nieces and nephews. A special thank you to Jeff and Crystal Bunn for all their kindness and friendship. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the American Heart Association. A celebration of his life will be held on Wednesday, December 21 from 1:00 - 3:00 at Bessemer

Brown Service Funeral Home in Bessemer, AL.

Previous Events

Celebration

DEC **21**. 1:00 AM - 3:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Remember Donald very well, We got into a fight once,After that we were best of friends. Drove our school bus.

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“ CED South-Central Division purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Donald R. Penn.



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“ CED Southern Division purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Donald R. Penn.



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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Donald R. Penn.



December 19, 2022 at 12:36 PM

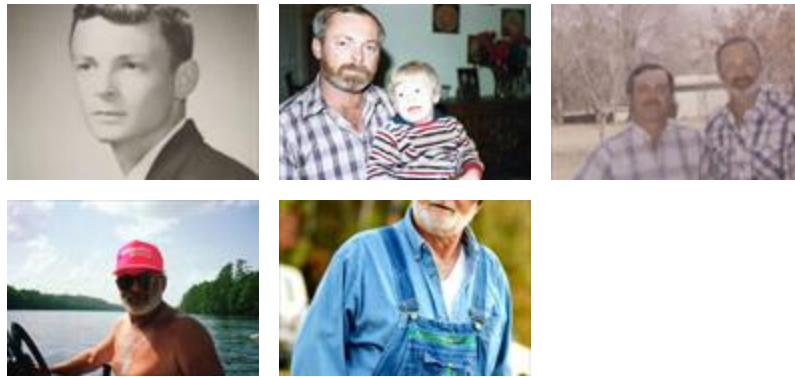
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“ So very sorry, Don was such a kind loving person. Loved his family. I'm sure Don will be missed by a host of family and friends. Prayers for the family during this most difficult time .
Renea & Frankie Richards

Renea Richards - December 19, 2022 at 11:04 AM

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Ashley Penn - December 19, 2022 at 10:46 AM