



## Don Swope

October 25, 1922 - November 9, 2014

Born in Wheeler, Michigan, to Jennie (Partee) and Frank Swope on October 25, 1922, Don passed away peacefully on November 9, 2014. Known for his huge smile, perpetually positive attitude and joyful heart, Don was a graduate of Michigan State University and World War II Veteran, serving as a First Lieutenant in the US Air Force. It was while training pilots in Big Spring, Texas that Don met Myrle Barron whom he married in 1946. Don and Myrle raised their three children in Dallas where Don worked for Mass Mutual before moving to Hideaway Lake in 1977 where they became active members of the community. After losing Myrle to illness, Don married Geneva Nelson who had also lost her husband, Bob. Don spent his retired years exploring with a Hideaway Lake RV group and volunteering with the Kiwanis, Meals on Wheels and at the local elementary school. He especially loved singing in the Hideaway Lake Community Church Choir. God used Don, with his true servant's heart, in a mighty way.

Don is survived by his wife of 21 years, Geneva, and her family whom he loved; brother, Bob Swope and wife Sharon of Woodbridge, Virginia; three children, Jeff Swope and wife Ann of Dallas, Jan Swope of Frisco, and Jay Swope and wife Brenda of Houston; eight grandchildren, Angie Kelly and husband Mark of Frisco, Adam Lawrence and wife Katy of Singapore, Jeffrey Swope and wife Diana of Dallas, Katherine Wirth and husband Matt of Atlanta, Tobin Swope and wife Claire of Dallas, Laura Butler and husband Ben of San Antonio, Barron Swope of Dallas, and Taylor Swope of Houston; and ten

great-grandchildren, Morgan and Taylor Kelly, Parker and Emma Lawrence, Ruthie and Robert Swope, George and Annie Wirth, and Duncan and Sally Kate Swope.

Memorial donations may be made to the Hideaway Lake Community Church Building Fund, 1115 Lake Cross Road, Hideaway, TX 75771.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

NOV **14**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home  
206 West South Street  
Lindale, TX 75771  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Don Swope*

October 05, 2023 at 02:48 AM



“ *Don Swope*

October 05, 2023 at 12:01 AM



“ *Aimee Ryzman sent a virtual gift in memory of Don Swope*



**Aimee Ryzman** - November 14, 2014 at 12:46 PM



*Mr. Swope lit up every room he entered. I have never met another person like him. He and his wife volunteered their time each week for many years at the Lindale Early Childhood Center. He was full of joy and gave joy to every person he met. Heaven gained an angel!*

**Aimee Ryzman** - November 14, 2014 at 12:49 PM

CW

“ *Ms. Geneva and family,  
Our hearts hurt with the earthly loss of Don. Over the last few days I have remembered meeting Don and Myrle and how precious they were to our family when we first came on staff at HAWLCC and how they loved on our three little ones whose grandparents were so very far away. Then when Myrle went home to be with the Lord and our hearts hurt for our earthly loss but knew she was well and with her Savior. Then Don introduced us to you and what a sweet and gentle spirit he was blessed with! You completed him once again and were the most precious of couples! Now with the homegoing of Don heaven has once again become that much sweeter. So many reunions to take place one day!!! We are sending you a heart hug and know that you are in our prayers.*

*With love,  
Duane & Cyndi Walton*

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**Cyndi Walton** - November 14, 2014 at 09:23 AM

SO

“ *Staff of Coaches Outreach purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Don Swope.*



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**Staff of Coaches Outreach** - November 13, 2014 at 09:45 AM

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“ *Allyn Stotz lit a candle in memory of Don Swope*



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**Allyn Stotz** - November 11, 2014 at 03:30 PM

GP

“ I stand firm in my title for my Uncle Don: the cheerleader for the Swope family. The world will miss that huge smile. He was a great man.

*I know that if his brother Bob could be there he would. We all send our love.*

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**Genilee Parente** - November 11, 2014 at 02:42 PM

JH

“ Don was a gentleman amongst gentlemen and he always wore a smile. Always nice to be around.

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**Jerry Hare** - November 11, 2014 at 08:24 AM

DP

“ Many fond memories of Don on R V trips. What a very special man God has called home. RIP dear friend  
Diann and Kyle

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**diann and Kyle Preston** - November 11, 2014 at 08:01 AM



“ David Montgomery lit a candle in memory of Don Swope



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**David Montgomery** - November 11, 2014 at 07:15 AM