



Donald K. Murphy

December 8, 1936 - November 30, 2020

Mr. Donald K. Murphy of Winona took his final breath on Monday, November 30, 2020 in Tyler, TX. He was born December 8, 1936 in Detroit, Michigan to the late Claire Josephine French. Don honorably served his country in the US Marine Corps. He married Melva Kay Whitus in 1969 and they eventually settled in the Lindale/Winona area, to raise their two girls, Joi and Heather. Every time you saw Don, he was quick to mention how much he loved his girls and how proud he was of them. When Don became a grandfather, that pride grew and sparked a newfound joy that gave “Grandpa Grumps” even more to dote about. He was never without a pack of gum and always offered a piece to everyone he encountered, friends and strangers alike. This was often followed by his big infectious grin and his trademark, “Have I told you lately I love you?” Don’s love and devotion to his family, friends and animals are what made him happy and what those who loved him will remember most. He was preceded in death by his wife Melva in 2005. He was also preceded in death by his mom Claire and his step-dad Bart J. Chopp. Don is survived by his daughters, Joi Law and husband Mike Law of Mineola; Heather Noble and husband Nathan Noble of Tyler; son, Michael Garian of Michigan and two grandchildren, Elliana and Kai Noble. In remembrance of his life, the family will receive visitors on Friday December 4, 2020 from 5-7 PM and a service will be held on Saturday, December 5 at 10:30 AM at Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home in Lindale, Texas with Pastor Brad Williams officiating. Serving as pallbearers will be Les Lake, Mike Cannon, Richard

Gipson, Waylon Williams, Larry Rowe, and Nathan Noble. Greg Tomlin will serve as an honorary pallbearer.

Cemetery Details

Lindale City Cemetery

702 West South Street
Lindale, TX 75771

Previous Events

Chapel Service

DEC 5. 10:30 AM (CT)

Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home
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Tribute Wall



“ *Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Directors created a Tribute Video in memory of Donald K. Murphy*



Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home - December 03, 2020 at 11:23 PM

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Such beautiful memories! You have been blessed with many precious years with a wonderful and loving Dad. My heart grieves for your loss.

Brenda Lawless - December 05, 2020 at 03:53 PM



“ *Donald K. Murphy*

October 05, 2023 at 02:48 AM



“ *Donald K. Murphy*

October 05, 2023 at 12:01 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donald K. Murphy.*



December 04, 2020 at 11:04 AM



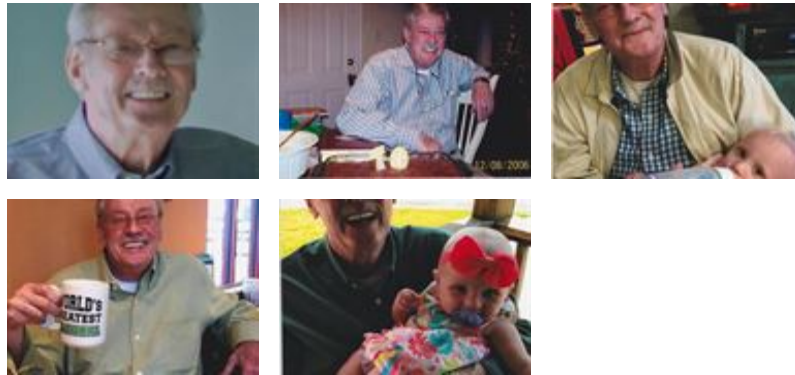
“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Donald K. Murphy.*



December 04, 2020 at 08:59 AM



“ *46 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home - December 03, 2020 at 11:04 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald K. Murphy.*



December 03, 2020 at 09:39 PM



“ *Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Donald K. Murphy.*



December 03, 2020 at 09:51 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Donald K. Murphy.*



December 02, 2020 at 03:33 PM



“ *Don was such a good neighbor and friend. I can't tell you how many times in years past that I would wake up in the morning to discover Don mowing our yard because he knew that Gregg's health problems made it difficult for him to do. He called at least once a week to check in with Gregg to make sure that he was doing ok. Always a wave when he drove by or an offer of chewing gum in person. His soul may be gone from this world but memories live on in our minds.*

Loretta & Gregg Tomlin - December 02, 2020 at 11:17 AM

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“ *Glynda, Steve, Kathy Bodiford, Tela, Rodney Hebert purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Donald K. Murphy.*



Glynda, Steve, Kathy Bodiford, Tela, Rodney Hebert -
December 01, 2020 at 04:36 PM