



Donald Turner

April 30, 1936 - February 13, 2017

DON TURNER

Donald L. Turner, age 80, of Gravois Mills, passed away Monday, February 13, 2017, at his home after a brave struggle with cancer. He was born April 30, 1936, in Kansas City, Kansas, the son of the late Glade A. and Vesper K. (Alley) Turner.

On April 8, 1961, he was united in marriage to his surviving wife, Naomi Carolyn (Hurd) Turner. They were lifelong partners, sharing every facet of their lives together.

He proudly served his country in the US Navy, where he learned the skills to become one of IBM's best diagnostic Field Engineers, a position he held for 33 years until his retirement in 1991.

Don served the Gravois Mills community as a volunteer fireman and first responder for 17 years. He retired from the department as unit captain. Don was a master woodworker and builder, and the days of his life were spent crafting various projects with his strong hands and agile mind. The beautiful home he built was filled with his woodwork and his family cherishes the many handcrafted items that he gifted to them. As a father he fostered his love of handiwork, education, and computer skills in his children. Countless friends in

the community turned to him to solve their computer issues and he did so without hesitation.

In addition to his wife, Naomi, he is survived by his son, Steve Turner and wife Sarah of Georgetown, Texas; his son, Jeff Turner of Canton, Michigan; his daughter Dawn Powell and husband Mark of Camdenton, MO; his son Brian Turner and wife Linda of Hartsburg, MO; 8 grandchildren: Lyndi Turner, Susan Turner, Carrie Turner, Daniel Martin, Christopher Martin, Matthew Powell, Grace Powell, and Ben Turner; and his great friend Raymond McGary.

A celebration of Don's life will be held at 1:00 p.m., Saturday, February 18th, with full military honors at 2:00 PM at the family home. The family will receive friends from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Memorial contributions are suggested to the Wounded Warrior Foundation or the Disabled Veterans Foundation.

Arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel.

Tribute Wall

HB

“ I have great memories and pride of the many years Don and I spent together working for IBM particularly the time spent at Frisco Railroad in Springfield, MO. which was a special challenge that Don took in "stride" with his excellent diagnostic skills. Another fond memory is the time we spent fishing Tablerock Lake and our "dining" experiences at "La-Cock-a-Roachas" Mexican restaurant in Kansas City. Our families became good friends over the years and Anita and I will miss him immensely.
Harry Blow

Harry Blow - February 17, 2017 at 11:16 AM

 Carrie
Turner

“ You taught my best friend to shoot a gun, and me not to run with scissors. I miss tractor rides on your lap and stealing all your candy and popcorn. I love you Papa❤️



Carrie Turner - February 15, 2017 at 10:51 AM



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Steve Turner - February 14, 2017 at 05:44 PM

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“ I only know his beautiful granddaughter Lindy, and I know that he was well loved and will be greatly missed. Sending condolences to all the family.

Sheryl Stapp
505th District Court
Fort Bend County TX

Sheryl E. Stapp - February 14, 2017 at 04:24 PM

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I am very grateful for the so many rich and fond memories of my formative adolescent years spent with his generous and wonderful family, and most especially time spent together boating at the lake house.

- Stewart DeVilbiss, Dayton, OH

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Stewart DeVilbiss - February 15, 2017 at 03:00 AM

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Condolences to the family of this great man. God Bless you all.

Donna Searcy - February 15, 2017 at 01:23 PM

DM

I had the pleasure to know and work with Don when I was with IBM Field Engineering in Jefferson City. Don was a quiet man who knew exactly who and what he was and stood for. I admired him immensely and was proud to consider him a friend. I am sorry to hear of his illness and his leaving this world. He will be greatly missed.

Dot Maasen - March 18, 2017

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