



Don M. Blews Sr.

May 19, 1945 - February 5, 2018

Don Marshall Blews, 72, passed away peacefully on February 5 surrounded by family and loved ones.

Don was born in Paterson, NJ in 1945 but lived most of childhood and young adult years in Montville, NJ. As an adult he lived most of his life in Palm Beach County, Florida and Taylors, SC. He had a true love of learning, earning 2 Masters Degrees and tutoring in the local schools. An avid outdoorsman, he loved camping, the beach and all that nature had to offer. As the effects of PLS and ALS began taking their toll he enjoyed watching webcams of several different zoos around the world. He was especially fond of sea life - sea turtles, dolphins and manatees. He was also a huge fan of sci-fi movies.

Don can only be described as a true survivor, having survived more than 50 years with type 1 diabetes, almost 30 years with muscular dystrophy, specifically PLS and ALS, and completely recovering from a massive stroke. He was the best dad 2 kids could ever have asked for.

Don Blews was preceded in death by his parents, Richard Rutherford Blews and Dorothy Williams Blews of Mt. Airy, SC and a faithful service dog, Joey Blews. He is survived by a son, Don Marshall Blews Jr of Clermont, FL, a daughter, Cheri-Lyn Weidman of Taylors, SC, three grandchildren, Casey Weidman of Taylors, SC, Tani Weidman of Bailey, CO, and Sarah Ann (Sari) Blews of Clermont, FL, three great granddaughters, Sophia Caroline Weidman of Taylors, SC, Willow Grace Truel of Bailey, CO, and Rosalyn Marie Weidman of Taylors, SC, and his "always-by-my-side" companion dog, Hyatt Blews. He

is also survived by three brothers, Richard Blews of Orlando, FL, Kevin Blews of Swansboro NC, and Peter Blews of Palmetto, FL and a sister, Danajean Mabry of Mt. Airy, NC. Also, he is survived by 2 former wives and lifelong friends, Diana Lewis of Clermont, FL and Linda Stuck Reidmiller of Bushkill, PA.

Special thanks to son-in-law Kean Weidman of Taylors, SC and daughter-in-law Debbie Blews of Clermont, FL for their amazing care throughout the years, to Regency Hospice for their tender loving care in his final days, and to Pat and John Fleming for the extra special love shown our family. Many thanks as well to all the many friends and family who have offered up prayers for his peaceful passing.

A memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 17, 2018 at The Wood Mortuary in Greer, SC.

The family is at the home of his daughter.

Memorials may be made to Muscular Dystrophy Association, 530 Howell Road, Suite 201, Greenville, SC 29615

The family will hold a private memorial service.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB 17. 2:00 PM (ET)

THE WOOD MORTUARY CHAPEL
300 West Poinsett Street
Greer, SC 29650
(864) 877-3351
woodmortuary@bellsouth.net

Tribute Wall

HG

“ *Don I am so sorry for your loss. Praying for you and your family.*
Harry



Harry Godwin - February 17, 2018 at 07:08 AM

LR

“ *Linda Carol Reidmiller lit a candle in memory of Don M. Blews Sr.*



Linda Carol Reidmiller - February 16, 2018 at 04:41 PM

LR

Don always said "he was the luckiest man alive". I was glad to share the last years with this wonderful and loving man. Hyatt and I will remember him always. A remembrance donation is being sent to Cannine Assistants in Alpratha, Ga.

Linda Carol Reidmiller - February 16, 2018 at 04:48 PM

AF

“ *Aunt Pat Stickle Laney and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Don M. Blews Sr..*



Aunt Pat Stickle Laney and family - February 15, 2018 at 11:24 AM

AG

“ I did not know Mr. Blews personally but through a more defining way – through his daughter, Cheri-Lyn. To have a daughter with complete devotion, respect and admiration to a father as Cheri has demonstrated can only be an exemplification of what a perfect father Mr. Blews was to her and Donny. When she spoke of her father it was always with a light in her eyes that reflected her love for him and the voice in which she spoke was near one of worship. Through Cheri, I saw him as one of the greatest men and fathers that truly knew what family devotion and love was designed to be by Christ.

Ann Gwinn - February 11, 2018 at 09:43 AM

DG

“ Hugs and prayers. It's been many years since I've seen Don but I'll always remember his smile, especially when talking about Cheri and Donny.



Dianna Hommel Garbers - February 07, 2018 at 07:17 PM

PW

“ Pat & Bob Wilcox lit a candle in memory of Don M. Blews Sr.



Pat & Bob Wilcox - February 07, 2018 at 03:56 PM



“ *Joan Erbs lit a candle in memory of Don M. Blews Sr.*



Joan Erbs - February 07, 2018 at 09:09 AM



“ *Jackie Denton Class Of '63 BHS lit a candle in memory of Don M. Blews Sr.*



Jackie Denton Class of '63 BHS - February 07, 2018 at 02:24 AM



“ *Richard Ply lit a candle in memory of Don M. Blews Sr.*



Richard Ply - February 07, 2018 at 02:22 AM



Richard Ply also Class of '63 BHS

Jackie Denton Class of '63 BHS - February 07, 2018 at 02:44 AM



Sincere condolences to the family & friends. RIP Don.

Joan Erbs - February 07, 2018 at 09:10 AM

DL

“ *Diana Lewis lit a candle in memory of Don M. Blews Sr.*



Diana Lewis - February 06, 2018 at 07:20 PM