



Mr. Donald Walter Howell Sr.

October 1, 1946 - January 9, 2014

Donald Walter Howell was born on October 1, 1946 in Detroit, MI to Mildred and Lester Howell. To this union, two twin children (Donald and Ronald) were born. His father Lester and his sister Carol preceded him in death. Donald departed this life January 9, 2014 at John Dingle Medical Center.

Donald accepted Christ at an early age at Plymouth Congregational Church. He was educated in the Detroit Public Schools system. He graduated from Mumford High School in 1965. He obtained an associates degree in Business from Wayne County Community College. He proudly served his country in the United States Air Force for four years. He was a Vietnam Veteran and was honorably discharged. Donald was also a lifetime member of the VFW #4434.

Donald was employed for the United States Postal Service, retiring with over 40 years of service in 2007.

Donald was an avid volunteer for multiple organizations which included: The Michigan State Fair, The Parade Company, Detroit Free Press Marathon Race, and The Detroit Jazz Fest. His hobbies included bowling, and watching classical and martial arts movies, and sports. He had a passion for music and he sang with the Belleville Chorus. Donald was also an avid traveler, visiting many countries in Europe, Asia, Africa, the Caribbean, South America, as well as throughout the United States.

Donald's last act of kindness was to become a corneal transplant donor.

Previous Events

Visitation

Thursday, Jan. **16**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
17600 Plymouth Road
Detroit, MI 48227
(313) 838-9770
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Family Hour

Friday, Jan. **17**. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

Friday, Jan. **17**. 12:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Donald Walter Howell Sr.*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *We grew up in the same neighborhood. Everybody, knew the ' Howell ' twins. I could never tell them apart. You have my deepest sympathy and may he rest in peace in the loving arms of Jesus.*

Jalna (Birchett) Hayes - February 17, 2014 at 10:25 PM



“ *VERA, I am so sorry for your loss, please accept my condolences, am unable to be with you at the present time but believe me am there with you in spirit. I love you. Donald was a good man and a great husband, he cherished you and definitely LOVED YOU. I remember all the times he would pick you up from work grinning from ear to ear. I use to tease him thinking he was my friend from Arkansas, he would just laugh because they had met and they looked like twins. I will see you soon. I will be keeping you as always in my prayers..... Luv Ya ! Tanya*

Tanya Bullard - January 17, 2014 at 12:53 PM



“ *Our prayers are with you.*

G. Minor - January 17, 2014 at 11:05 AM

VA

“ *Veronica Avery lit a candle in memory of Mr. Donald Walter Howell Sr.*



Veronica Avery - January 17, 2014 at 07:25 AM

VA

You will be missed

Veronica Avery - January 17, 2014 at 07:26 AM

FT

“ *Freddie Thurman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Donald Walter Howell Sr.*



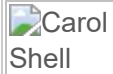
Freddie Thurman - January 16, 2014 at 12:29 PM

FT

Have known and loved you and Donald for many years. Did not see or talk with you everyday, but you and Donald were in my heart. He will be truly missed my all who knew him. So sorry for your loss; but memories are everlasting..

Freddie Thurman

Freddie Thurman - January 16, 2014 at 12:36 PM



Carol
Shell

“ Vera and Donald were my most awesome couple. I am soooooo sorry to hear about his passing. I am praying for you, Vera, and your family to have strength during the grieving process. The thing I most will remember about Donald is he always had a smile on his face, even when he wasn't feeling good.

Carol Shell
(aka: Queen Mum)
Ypsilanti, MI

Carol Shell - January 14, 2014 at 11:03 AM



RM

“ Words cannot express the heartache we feel for you and your family during this difficult time. You are both such awesome friends and my family adores you. Don always was in a great mood, and I will never forget his smile and kind heart. I will look back on all the memories and we will all cherish them greatly. Some of the wonderful times we shared were football games in Detroit at Thanksgiving, birthday celebrations through the years, to watching you both win the husband/wife calling contest at the state fair.

Our love, thoughts and prayers are with you and your entire family. As always, we are amazed at your spirit and strength. May you find comfort during this difficult time by surrounding yourself around your family and the large circle of many friends that you have.

The Miller Family
Jim, Reggie, DJ & Laura
Belleville, Michigan

Regina Miller - January 13, 2014 at 05:46 PM

MD

“ We were so very sorry to hear of Don's passing. He always greeted us with a smile, no matter where we were, no matter what the weather, he always had that wonderful smile on his face. Four years ago he made it a regular practice to stop by our house and deliver a get well card for my husband who was very ill following treatment for cancer. He always let us know that he was keeping my husband in his thoughts and prayers. RIP, dear friend. mj & rick dawson

MJ Dawson - January 13, 2014 at 10:19 AM