



## Donald James Dembosky

February 9, 1930 - November 14, 2014

Donald "Don" James Dembosky died on Friday November 14, 2014 in Fort Myers, Florida. He was 84 years old. He fell and broke his hip in February 2014 and his health never recovered.

Don was born on February 9, 1930 in Gary, Indiana to Stephen Dembosky and Mae Janosek. He grew up in Chicago, Illinois with his older sister Marian Dembosky and his mother's extended family, all of whom doted on him and instilled in him his life-long love of ice cream from a very early age. After graduating from high school, Don took a job as an elevator salesman with Westinghouse and, after establishing his career, he married Elizabeth "Betty" Verhulst on September 13, 1952 and the couple settled in Chicago, Illinois. He became a salesman and later a Branch Manager for Montgomery Elevator Company at their headquarters in Moline, Illinois and he ultimately worked for the company for more than 40 years in Moline, New Orleans and Tampa before retiring to Fort Myers in 1996 after the company was sold to Kone Corporation.

Don is survived by his son, Mark Dembosky of Aurora, Colorado; his daughter, Donna Dembosky of Atlanta, Georgia; his son, Steve Dembosky of East Moline, Illinois; his daughter, Barbara Dembosky of Fort Myers, Florida; and his daughter, Gail Ellis of Fort Myers, Florida; his grandsons Joel, Sean and Ryan Dembosky of East Moline, Illinois and Jason and Josh Ellis of Fort

Myers, Florida; and his sister, Marian Dembosky of Fort Myers, Florida. He is preceded in death by his wife, Betty.

Don requested to be cremated. His ashes will be interred next to his wife's grave in Sunset Memory Gardens in Thonotosassa, Florida. A memorial graveside service will be held for family and friends in the spring or summer of 2015 on a date to be determined. Please donate to the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum in his memory by using this link (<http://airandspace.si.edu/support/donate>). Don was a lifelong fan of aviation so he would be happy to know that money was being contributed in his name to help further the pursuit of knowledge in this realm.

Funeral arrangements under the direction of Gendron Funeral & Cremation Services Inc., 2325 E. Mall Drive, Fort Myers, Florida 33901 239-274-0088. [www.gendronfuneralhome.com](http://www.gendronfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Donald James Dembosky*

October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



“ *Donald James Dembosky*

January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ *Very sorry to hear of Don's passing. I worked mostly in the branch network for Montgomery Elevator Co but got to know Don through branch meetings and when he worked at Corporate in Moline. He was one of our "Go To" guys when we needed assistance in the branch office. He was a problem solver and had a good sense of humor. Our condolences go out to his family.*

*Ben & Carole Malmberg, Phoenix*

**Ben Malmberg** - April 22, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *I'm so sorry to hear of Don's passing . My sympathes to all of of his family and children*  
*Douglas Hallberg*

**Douglas Hallberg** - November 22, 2014 at 07:00 PM