



Donald Morrison

May 21, 1929 - April 27, 2012

Donald H. Morrison, 82, of Sarasota, Florida, passed away April 27, 2012.

He was born May 21, 1929, the son of Roy and Lillian Morrison.

Don proudly served in the United States Air Force during the Korean Conflict. While raising his family, he worked for General Electric as an X-ray salesman. He enjoyed the water very much, and was thrilled to be a boat captain for several years in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. He was best known in Sarasota for heading maintenance at Terrace East Condominiums and frequenting the Village Cafe (formerly the Buttery) and Dutch Valley Restaurant.

He leaves to cherish his loving memory: four children, Barbara Owens (Fred), Kim Linton, Lee Morrison (Donna) and Neil Morrison (Paul); four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; companion Rena Zlogar; first wife, Laurie Zutt; and too many friends to count. He was predeceased by his parents and one brother, Roy, and survived by another brother, Jack.

After a private military interment on Friday, the family will hold a Celebration of Life service on Saturday, May 5, at 3:00pm at The Village Café on Siesta Key. Anyone wishing to help celebrate Don's life is welcome to attend.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Gendron Funeral & Cremation Services Inc., 135 N. Lime Ave, Sarasota, Florida 34237 941-365-1767. Online condolences may be made at www.gendronfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Donald Morrison*

October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



“ *Donald Morrison*

January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ *Our prayers go out to Rena, and Don's family. So grateful for the many years he was here at Terrace East -- Don really had a kind heart. God bless.*

Rick & Anne White - May 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ Dear Dad - I will always treasure in my heart all the special memories I have of you and our family times together, and all the fun things you did with us kids - building snow forts with us in the winter, roughhousing on the floor after you got home from work, taking us swimming at Dog Pond and the Miamisburg pool where you'd bend down in the water so we could stand on your shoulders and dive off when you stood up, all the hours you played catch, frisbee, football, and ping-pong with Lee and I, watching those great Borg vs Connors tennis matches together (Go Borg!), taking us kids to pick out the yearly Christmas tree, the fun times when we all went bowling, sitting around the piano and singing along with you as you played your famous three songs "My Wife's a Corker", "There is a Tavern in the Town", and "The Doors Swing In", our trip to NYC and Montreal, the time we stayed at the Kozarits' place in MO and visited Silver Dollar City, all the summer vacations going to CT, where we'd eagerly wait for you to come home from work so we could pack up the car and drive all night to get there, the wild and crazy times (i.e. waterfights, etc.!) we had with the "Ernhout gang", you and Mom coming to all my band concerts, the incredibly fun times spent on our boat at Lake Monroe waterskiing and swimming in the coves (and the unforgettable night when we slept on the boat and you and Lee tied yourselves to the top deck so you wouldn't fall into the lake), and then of course all the many holidays, graduations, weddings, birthdays, and special family gatherings when the whole Morrison clan was together. Such wonderful and happy memories. I also want you to know how much I admired you when you decided to change careers in mid-life and you applied for a job in FL as captain of a private boat - and got it! I know how much you loved boating and being on the water, and the fun you had taking out all those celebrities (especially Angie Dickinson). I also greatly admired your incredibly positive outlook on life, which you always seemed to have no matter what your circumstances happened to be. Whenever I'm feeling down or depressed, I think of how cheerful and upbeat you always were, and I try to be more like that. I'll really miss you, and your laughter, smiles, and hugs. I'll also miss your corny jokes (and yes, even your teasing!), and the long

*phone conversations we had talking about everything under the sun, which I always enjoyed. Thanks Dad, for loving me and always being interested in my life and what was going on with me. I'm so happy that you're in the Lord's presence (what could be better than that?) and I know you're having a wonderful time in heaven, laughing and joking with everyone. I love you and am looking forward to being with you again, and I can't wait to see that big cheery smile and your open arms welcoming me in for a big hug!
Love you always, Kim*

Kim D. Linton - May 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ *To Don's wonderful family, I want to express my heartfelt condolences on your loss. He talked about all of you often, and with love. I felt like I knew every one of you before I even met you.*

Don was a wonderful friend. Luke and I always felt like Don was part of our family, and the 20 years we shared will forever be cherished. So many wonderful memories. So much love and laughter.

He had a wonderful way about him. He was steady as a rock, always there for whatever was needed. The world was a better place with him in it, and to have had him in our lives, for that I will be eternally grateful.

*We will meet again my friend. Until then, doodle away, and be an ever present angel for us here on Earth.
You will be missed.*

Doug Lambert - May 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Barb & Fred - Don must have been a wonderful person, for your incredible love for him is very apparent. God bless both of you and your entire family. May you find peace in the knowledge that you will see Don once again in Heaven. We send our love and condolences.

Cheryl & Steve Bayes - May 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JY

“ Well Done, Good and Faithful Servant.

Joy & Hugh Yaeger - May 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ My heartfelt condolences go out to this wonderful family that I am honored to know. Don always had a ready smile and a "Hey, how have you been!" each time I saw him. He never knew a stranger in this life and I am sure he has already made many friends in his heavenly home but here he will be greatly missed!

Belinda Gillett - May 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ We are so sorry for the lost of such a loving father. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with the entire family at this time. It is so very hard to lose a parent we love dearly. We are thinking about you all.

Sandy Canter & Helen Chester - May 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BO

“Dad, I'm so glad I had the chance to be with you in your final days on earth and know you only left us to be welcomed into the arms of Jesus. No daughter could ask for a better "Going Home" than to know that her father spent his last conscious moments on earth with his beloved companion, having dinner with her and other friends, coming back to her apartment to watch a Rays game, then give her a hug and a wave good-bye. We should all be so fortunate. I love you so much Dad and will always cherish the wonderful memories we made together--both together and with other family members. I look forward to the day when we can all be together again in Heaven, but until then, please know you'll be forever in my thoughts and my heart. All my love, Barb

Barbara L. Owens - April 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM