



## Donald Stressler

July 9, 1934 - May 28, 2015

Donald P. Stressler, 80, of Lake Villa, IL passed away on Thursday, May 28, 2015.

He was born July 9, 1934 and raised in Chicago, IL, the son of the late John and Elizabeth Stressler. Don spent his 50 year career in the Sheet Metal Union, installing duct work on many buildings in Chicago. He was also very passionate about new cars. He was known to regularly test drive the new models that were being released. He enjoyed bowling, camping, and the outdoors, but his greatest pride was his six children he raised with his wife of 59 years, Darlene, as well as his grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife Darlene; children Don (late Christine), Debra (Ralph) Jansen, Denise (Matthew) Ludick, and Daniel (Anne); and by his grandchildren Paul, Donald, Erik (Kyra), Christopher, Niko, Sr. Kateri, Mary Kate, Danny Colin, Mallory, Maddie, and Bryan. He was also the cherished brother of many.

He was preceded in death by two sons, Paul Stressler and David (Julie) Stressler.

Visitation will be from 4 – 8 p.m. on Tuesday, June 2, 2015 at Ringa Funeral Home, 122 S. Milwaukee Ave (Rte 83) Lake Villa, IL 60046. Additional

visitation at Prince of Peace Church on Wednesday, June 3 from 9 – 10 am with a Mass beginning at 10 am. Burial will follow at All Saints Cemetery in Des Plaines. In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial to the Sisters of Charity, 54 W. Main St. Baltic, CT 06330.

# Cemetery Details

## All Saints Cemetery

700 N. River Rd  
Des Plaines, IL 60016

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUN 2.** 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ringa Funeral Home  
122 S. Milwaukee Ave.  
Lake Villa, IL 60046  
(847) 356-2146  
info@ringafuneralhome.com  
<https://www.ringafuneralhome.com>

## Visitation

**JUN 3.** 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Prince of Peace Catholic Church  
135 S. Milwaukee Ave  
Lake Villa, IL 60046  
(847) 356-7915

## Mass

JUN 3. 10:00 AM (CT)

Prince of Peace Catholic Church  
135 S. Milwaukee Ave  
Lake Villa, IL 60046  
(847) 356-7915

# Tribute Wall



“ *Donald Stressler*

October 04, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ *Donald Stressler*

December 31, 2022 at 11:36 AM



“ *Darlene, Judy and family, my heart goes out to you all for the loss of such a really special guy. I never saw Don without a smile on his face. He was always so devoted to family. May God be with all of you during this time.*

*Mitzie*

**Mitzie Schacht** - June 04, 2015 at 02:13 PM

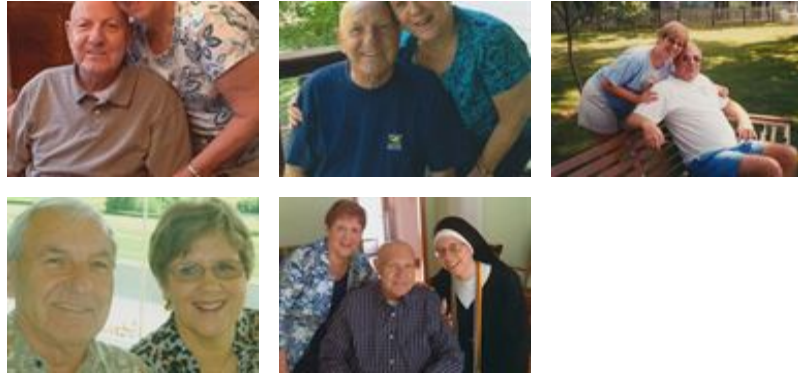


“ *To our dearest friends Don & Darlene & the Stressler kids & grandkids: Don is very special to all of us - we will remember warmly his wonderful smile & love of life - making the most of every moment & enjoying so many good times with all of us. When we think of him full of life & laughter - he will never be gone and always in our hearts. We love you Don now & forever. We pray for your soul and know you are safe in the hands of God.... Love Ron & Flo Vanderheyden Surprise AZ*

**Ronald Vanderheyden** - June 03, 2015 at 10:42 AM



“ 40 files added to the album Life Tributes



Ringa Funeral Home and Cremation Service - June 02, 2015 at 12:30 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Donald Stressler.



June 02, 2015 at 09:34 AM



“ *Dear darlene,*

*our prayers are with you and your family during this sad time. We will all miss Don so much. His wonderful smile and great friendship will be missed by everyone ! He was truly the " mayor" of our neighborhood!*

*Love, cas and sharon*

sharon paterkiewicz - June 01, 2015 at 04:28 PM

AC

“ Dear Darlene,  
Ruben and I are so saddened by Don's passing. I will always remember him for having fun and his never ending smile. I always enjoyed being his bowling partner and winning the high series. We will remember him fondly. You and your family are in our prayers. Our love to you.

*Angie and Ruben*

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**angie cevallos** - May 31, 2015 at 07:15 PM

SC

“ Many of us Sisters of Charity met 'Grandpa' when he made the arduous trip, two weeks before he was called Home, to be present at the graduation of his granddaughter Sister Kateri in Connecticut. In that one brief knowing, we were captivated by his love for life, for his family, and for his Lord. We lift him to that same Lord in prayer, and ask him to remember us before the Eternal Vision of God. May he rest in peace.

*With loving hearts,  
The Sisters of Charity of Our Lady, Mother of the Church.*

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**Sisters of Charity** - May 30, 2015 at 07:51 PM

KN

“ *Darlene*  
*Just wanted you to know how sad Andy and I are with Don's passing. We all know Don is in a better place without the pain, chemo, radiation. Don was a amazing man with an never ending smile. He put up the best fight possible against that terrible disease and was an inspiration to all. He will be greatly missed in our neighborhood, at the bowling alley and in our lives. Darlene our prayers will continue for you and all of the Stressler family.*  
*Love,*  
*Karen and Andy*

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**Karen&Andy Noxon** - May 30, 2015 at 02:47 PM



“ *Dear Stressler Family...please know prayers are with you all.*  
*GodSpeed to Don.*

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**Matt Reidel** - May 30, 2015 at 01:21 PM

PL

“ *Great people are not always the ones we read about in books. Sometimes they are the people we meet in the neighborhood. The measures of greatness include the number of smiles created during a lifetime, the quality of one's family, and the good memories left behind. Don was unquestionably a great man. We are thankful for the time spent with him, Darlene, and the family.*  
*Paul & Linda*

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**Paul & Linda** - May 30, 2015 at 12:18 PM

PP

“ Dear Darlene: My heart is hurting for you and your children and for Judy and Chuck. The Don Stressler that I knew and will remember was a people magnet. His caring, warm, good nature and smile (even when he was grieving), will be sorely missed. There are some things we don't want to share with those we care about. Two of them for me and you are the heartbreak of losing a husband and a child or children. I will never forget how much he cared about your mom. I believe that she was standing hand in hand with Jesus to welcome him into heaven. And with them were Dave, Paul, and your dad. I love you and I am so sorry. I hope you can feel my hug from where I am out of town.  
Love, Pat

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**Patricia Peterman** - May 29, 2015 at 11:31 PM

SS

“ My condolences to the entire Family. May he now rest in Peace

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**susan sykes** - May 29, 2015 at 07:26 PM

JS

“ Uncle Don always brought joy and warmth to our family. We will miss his spirit very much. Our prayers go out to Aunt Darlene and the entire family. Love you all, John, Madilyn, Mike, John & Katie

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**John Stressler** - May 29, 2015 at 05:46 PM

MJ

“ Don had the best smile and sense of humor. We loved it when he came to Cruci, blue wig and all. I am happy to say he added joy to my life.

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**Mary Jo** - May 29, 2015 at 05:37 PM

EJ

“ *Dear Darlene and Family. I am so sorry to hear of Don's passing. He was such a caring and happy person. We all will miss him at Lakes Bowl. Love and Prayers, May he rest in Peace Evelyn*

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**Evelyn Jereb** - May 29, 2015 at 04:15 PM