



Donald Charles Wittenauer

August 7, 1931 - September 4, 2018

Donald C. Wittenauer, 87, of Amboy, passed away peacefully Tuesday, September 4, 2018, at CGH Medical Center, Sterling. He was born in Amboy on August 7, 1931, to Joseph and Floy (Thrasher) Wittenauer.

Don opened his own barber shop in Amboy in 1960 and continued to service his clients until the time of his passing. Don served in the US Air Force from 1951-1955, and was an active member of the American Legion Post 453. He also served 42 1/2 years as a member of the Masonic Illinois Central Lodge # 178, serving as Worshipful Master for 14 terms. Don was a founding member of the Shady Oaks County Club and was president of the Amboy Chamber of Commerce for many years. Don was awarded Amboy Citizen of Year in 2009, having celebrated 50 years in business at that time.

Don was preceded in death by his parents, a sister, Mary Morgan, and two brothers, Elmer Wittenauer and Russell "Eugene" Wittenauer, and one granddaughter, Lauren Wittenauer.

Don is survived by two sons, Scott (Amy) of Amboy, and Steve (Wendy) of Quakertown, Pennsylvania; five granddaughters, Emily (Terry) Lester, Amanda (Matt) Walter, Bethany (Collin) O'Connell, Melisa Shuttleworth, and Meghan LaGro, as well as eight great-grandchildren, Isaiah, Aaron, Noah, Everett, Kaeden, Madison, Charlotte, and Caleb.

Dad loved fishing, racing, volunteering his time and services to the community, and solving the world's problems daily in the barbershop. He never met a stranger, had a nickname for all, and recognized everyone by the backs of

their heads, but more than anything, he loved his family dearly. He will be forever missed and eternally loved.

Visitation will be from 2-6 pm on Sunday, September 9th, with Masonic Services at 5:30 PM, at Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy. Funeral services will be at 10 am on Monday, September 10th, at the funeral home with Pastor John Kalebaugh officiating. Burial with Military honors will follow at Prairie Repose Cemetery, Amboy. In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established.

Cemetery Details

Prairie Repose Cemetery

990 Rockyford Rd
Amboy, IL 61310

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **9**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Mihm-Jones Funeral Home, Amboy
303 East Main Street
Amboy, IL 61310
(815) 857-2611
info@thejonesfh.com
<https://www.thejonesfh.com>

Service

SEP **10**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Donald Charles Wittenauer*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Donald Charles Wittenauer*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *Don was a nice man. Always enjoyed the conversations when I went to his barber shop.
Our prayers to his entire family.*

Gary Sylvia Schultz - September 09, 2018 at 02:56 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald Charles Wittenauer.*



September 09, 2018 at 02:19 PM



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



September 08, 2018 at 07:14 PM

KB

“ Karen Blaine lit a candle in memory of Donald Charles Wittenauer



Karen Blaine - September 08, 2018 at 10:32 AM

SH

“ Todd and I remember when Grandma Mae and Don came out to Az to visit us, going to the swap meet, Don and Grandma really wanted an area rug, but could not figure how to get it home. Going with Grandma Mae and Don to their favorite fishing hole, and going to Rip's in Ladd for that famous chicken. Sitting at the barber shop while he was cutting hair

Sharon - September 07, 2018 at 08:37 PM

TK

“ Todd & Sharon Richard and kids purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Donald Charles Wittenauer.



Todd & Sharon Richard and kids - September 07, 2018 at 08:20 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Donald Charles Wittenauer.



September 07, 2018 at 04:32 PM

MG

“ Donnie gave me the best haircut the last days of his life his year. Wise man. Very likeable. I will miss Donnie his skill and his stories. He was beginning to feel cooped -in. He was a people person. My deepest condolences to the family. Our prayers are with him. May he rest in peace.

Mr. And Mrs. G. G. Garcia, a fellow airman.

Mr. Guadalupe G. Garcia - September 07, 2018 at 04:01 PM

DS

“ Our prayers and condolences to Don's family. It's amazing to think how many customers Don had over the years including all of our grandfathers, dad's, siblings and kids.

Joe and Diane Stewart

Diane stewart - September 07, 2018 at 01:48 PM

FW

“ Steve & Scott, so sorry for your loss. Remember all the good times, I sure do spending time at your house growing up.

FELICIA WADE - September 06, 2018 at 01:29 PM

JB

“ My deepest sympathy and prayers for Don Wittenauer's family, friends, and Masonic Brothers. May God bless you and bring you comfort.



Janet E. Barlow - September 06, 2018 at 11:16 AM

ML

“ We are so very sorry for your loss. Donnie was our Dad's touchstone and we loved him dearly. Please know we are with you in spirit and are holding you close in prayer.

Love, Jerry (Gerald Jr.) and Mary Lee Wittenauer, Clinton, MD

Mary Lee - September 06, 2018 at 10:46 AM

LK

“ My memories of Don go way back to when he was in barber school in Peoria and I was in college and I would get a ride home with him from there I did not know he had been sick he was always very friendly with my family and cut my brothers hair for years. sorry for your loss.

Lela Hartz Kraber - September 06, 2018 at 09:18 AM

SF

“ *Seyler Family-
Arnie&Nancy, Stacy&family, Lori&family purchased
the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Donald
Charles Wittenauer.*



Seyler Family-Arnie&Nancy, Stacy&family, Lori&family -
September 06, 2018 at 08:39 AM



“ *My brother Don Wellman, once took my son (who has Downs Syndrome) to Don for a haircut..it was Steve's first time to a barber, and uncle Don decided it was time for a haircut. The two Dons had their hands full that day as Steve was yelling help help!! lol Don promised his old friend not to bring him back but Steve has enjoyed haircuts ever since. Don was so good to our little guy..However, it had to be nerve wracking for uncle Don tho . God bless you and your many friends made through the years*

cindy - September 06, 2018 at 07:46 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donald Charles Wittenauer.*



September 06, 2018 at 05:31 AM



“ *Forever in our hearts*



susan englund - September 06, 2018 at 12:09 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald Charles Wittenauer.*



September 05, 2018 at 08:55 PM



“ *Please accept my deepest sympathy. My thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time.*
Jane Reuter

Jane Reuter - September 05, 2018 at 08:51 PM



“ *Kimberly Hampton sent a virtual gift in memory of Donald Charles Wittenauer*



Kimberly Hampton - September 05, 2018 at 06:02 PM