



Donald Whiddon Howard

November 25, 1927 - December 18, 2020

Donald Whiddon Howard, age 93, of San Antonio, Texas and formerly of Fairborn, Ohio, went to be with the Lord Friday, December 18, 2020. Don was born November 25, 1927 in Gainesville, Texas, the son of the late Levi and Edith Howard. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife of 42 years and mother of his children Dorothy (Lopez), four sisters Annabeth Langston, Helen Halbert, Delores Stotts, and Judy Daniels, and one grandson, Tony Howard. He is survived by his sister Shirley Scott and brother Bill Howard; his wife of the past 22 years Isabel (Peña); four children: James R. (Carol), Donald D. (Nita), Sherie R., and Randall L. (Cindy); eight grandchildren: Nikki, Sarah, Jennie, Zachary, Clayton, Bradley, Elliot, and Erica; 11 great grandchildren: Beaux, Baron, Zoe Grace, Clayton Burl, Aaron, Elizabeth, Hannah, Sophie, Jake, Aubrey and Ryan; and a multitude of nieces, nephews, cousins and their extended families.

A WWII Army Air Corps Veteran and career Department of the Air Force civilian, Don was an inspiration to all who knew him. Following a successful career in service to his country, and at the age of 63, Don lost sight in both eyes. Undeterred, he attended a school for the blind and together with Dorothy established a new life built around a new set of visual realities. Five years later, the children gathered together with Don to say goodbye to their beloved mother following her sudden passing. Undeterred and still full of life and love, Don learned to live alone despite his handicap, and looked forward

each month to the church-sponsored social for seniors. It was there he met Isabel, God's second provision of a lifetime mate.

Don never met a stranger and built a lifetime of friends. He loved the Lord, his family, his country, his friends, and he loved to dance. His family and friends whose lives he brightened will miss him dearly, but are so thankful to know he now sees clearly again and has been reunited with Dorothy.

SERVICES

Visitation, Rosary, and Mass of the Resurrection to celebrate Don's life will be on Tuesday, December 29, 2020. Visitation will begin at 10:00 A.M. followed by a Rosary at 11:00 A.M. The Funeral Mass will then begin at 11:30 A.M. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, 16075 North Evans Rd, Selma, Tx. Interment with Military Honors will follow at Mission Burial Park North, San Antonio, Texas. In lieu of flowers, Don's request was for donations to be made to a charity of your choice.

Cemetery Details

Mission Burial Park North

20900 IH 10 West
San Antonio, TX 78257

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 29. 10:00 AM (CT)

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church
16075 North Evans
Selma, TX 78154

Rosary

DEC 29. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Selma, TX 78154

Funeral Mass

DEC 29. 11:30 AM (CT)

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church
16075 North Evans
Selma, TX 78154

Tribute Wall

CU

“ Captain Crystal D. Burris, USAF purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Donald Whiddon Howard.



Captain Crystal D. Burris, USAF - December 29, 2020 at 09:17 AM

CB

“ Sherie, I know that the loss can feel immeasurable, but so can the love that's left behind.
Crystal D. Burris, Capt, USAF, Ret

Crystal Burris - December 29, 2020 at 09:09 AM

GD

“ Dear Isabel and Howard family.
Mary and i extend our sympathies for Don's passing. As next door neighbors we watched Don and his loyal dog Sadie tour the neighborhood. Don and Sadie knew everyone. Don was a gem as was Dorothy.
Esabel we should have visited with you and Don more often. Time does not wait. We do thank you for the times we did visit.
All God's blessings.
RIP Don
Gabe and Mary Desorcy

Gabriel Desorcy - December 28, 2020 at 03:11 PM

RM

“ Don was a treasure. Living next door to Don and Dorothy allowed me the opportunity for a lot of dog walks, buying of lottery tickets, meals and laughs. I cherish the memories I have with Don. He was an inspiration. My prayers and thoughts go out to the family

Regina Moloney - December 28, 2020 at 02:49 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Donald Whiddon Howard.



December 28, 2020 at 12:17 PM

BJ

“ Bill, Ellen, DeAnna, and Jennifer purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Donald Whiddon Howard.



Bill, Ellen, DeAnna, and Jennifer - December 27, 2020 at 10:19 PM

DR

“ Uncle Don will always stay in my heart. Growing up in Texas , Arkansas and Oklahoma I will never forget how much I enjoyed the visits with Uncle Don and Aunt Dorothy. When my Daddy passed away when I was 9 years old, my Mother had five children, Aunt Dorothy and Uncle Don was there to help my Mother with her five children. My Aunt Dorothy took me outside one night and said look up at the stars and the Brightest Star is your Daddy looking down on you. So Sherrie, Donnie, Randy and JR look up in the sky and the Brightest star is your Daddy . Uncle Don never let his eyesight stop him from Living and Loving Life. Isabel my prayers are with you. I know that you filled Uncle Don with your love.
Love , Dorothy Gail Rogers

Dorothy Gail Rogers - December 27, 2020 at 03:13 PM

RF

“ Roger and Annette Howard & Family purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Donald Whiddon Howard.



Roger and Annette Howard & Family - December 26, 2020 at 05:17 PM

CS

“ Christi, Kerri and Shirley purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Donald Whiddon Howard.



Christi, Kerri and Shirley - December 26, 2020 at 11:26 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald Whiddon Howard.*



December 26, 2020 at 09:50 AM