



Donald B. Nickerson

March 21, 1941 - July 17, 2017

Donald B. Nickerson (76) of 209 S Washington Street in Manito, IL died July 17, 2017 at 7:10 am. Born March 21, 1941 in Akron, Ohio, he was preceded in death by his parents, Donald E. and Frances V. Nickerson and one sister, Jerilee S. Nickerson of Pacific Palisades, CA.

Surviving are one son Scott (Melanie) Nickerson, Manito, Illinois and three daughters, Lisa Nickerson, Julie (Joe) Herring of Canton, Illinois, Laura (Daryl) Carlson of Peoria, Illinois, four granddaughters Rebekah Nickerson, Emily Carlson, Annika Carlson, and Anna Herring, and three grandsons Benjamin Nickerson, Logan Nickerson, and Samuel Carlson. Also surviving is one sister Marcia (Norman) Howard of Sun City, AZ, and three nieces.

Don was a Christian. He was owner of Nickerson Insurance Agency which was formed in 1980. Among his many other interests, Don was a proud long-time member of the Manito-Forest City Rotary Club. He served the Forman Fire and Ambulance Department as a volunteer fireman for several years. He served as Secretary-Treasurer of Delavan Mutual Insurance Company from 1981 to 2015, and as treasurer of Meadow Lawn Cemetery for 18 years, overseeing the care and maintenance of the cemetery. He was the treasurer of the Forman Park Board from 2005 to 2016.

His primary interest was the Forman Park District. With his friend, Dan Sarff, and assisted by a host of volunteers, they presided over the development and renovation of Memorial Park in Manito, installing a walking path, adding two additional ball diamonds, playgrounds, frisbee golf course, planting over

eighty trees, eight memorial gardens and renovating the rest rooms.

Another favorite was his partnership with his “Therapy Dog” Ready, a border collie with whom he made regular visits to the patients at OSF St. Francis Medical Center in Peoria. They both really enjoyed the pleasant moments that they could bring to the patients, visitors and hospital staff.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Forman Park District, including the Forman Center or to the Forman Community Foundation, in Don’s name.

Visitation will be Friday, July 21 from 5-8 pm at the Forman Center located at 308 S Harrison St. Manito, IL 61546. Funeral service will be at the Forest City Community Church on Saturday, July 22, at 10 am. Burial will be Monday, July 24, 2017 at 10 am in the West Rushville Cemetery, Rushville, Ohio.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **21.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Forman Center
308 s harrison
Manito, IL 61546

Celebration of Life

JUL **22.** 10:00 AM (CT)

Forest City Community Church
203 W. Market
Forest City, IL 61532
(309) 597-2111

Tribute Wall



“ *Donald B. Nickerson*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *Jack and Judy Stromberger purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Donald B. Nickerson.*



Jack and Judy Stromberger - July 20, 2017 at 04:46 PM



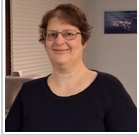
“ *To the family of Don Nickerson: Jack is very sad that he cannot join you to remember Don and celebrate his incredible life. We will always remember his kindness to our family. He was a dear friend to Jack. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Jack and Judy Stromberger*

jack stromberger - July 20, 2017 at 04:02 PM



“ *I'm so sad to hear of Don's passing. He was a wonderful Christian man and such a light in this world. Don's kindness has touched many lives, and this community was blessed by him. Prayers for his family during this difficult time.*

Terra Coon - July 19, 2017 at 07:21 AM



“ So, so sorry for your lost. My heart is breaking for you. Thank you for the honor of getting to know Don. My life is better for knowing him. Praying as you walk your grief journey.
Becky

Rebecca Price - July 18, 2017 at 06:41 PM

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*Don and I had many yalks about his border collie, my dog was a carbon copy of his. Don loved all animals and children he was a loving man. Caring for Don at Autumn Accolade was a pleasure he had many words of wisdom that i carry with me. Im so sorry for your loss.
Lori Houston*

Lori Houston (Autumn Accolade) - July 24, 2017 at 05:44 PM