



## Donald Lee Witherell

October 2, 1943 - December 7, 2025

Donald Lee Witherell, 82, of Petersburg, Illinois, passed away peacefully with his family by his side on Sunday, December 7, 2025, at Tavares Cornerstone Hospice in Tavares, Florida. He was born October 2, 1943, to Gid and Alice (nèe Boehm) Witherell in Chandlerville, Illinois. He married Alice Ann Garrett on July 3, 1965. They were together for 60 years before she preceded him in death on June 10, 2025.

Donald served in the United States Army. He owned and operated his own heating, air conditioning and electrical company for 40 years.

Donald is survived by his son, Donald (wife Becky) Witherell; his daughter, Kimberly White; four grandchildren, Zach (wife Jennifer) Witherell, Aaron (girlfriend Taylor) Witherell, Spencer Shawgo and Mason Shawgo; four great grandchildren, Stormy, Summer, Aspen and Porter; and three siblings, Melvin (wife Sarah) Witherell, Mary (husband Larry) Dick and Emma Smith.

Donald was preceded in death by his wife, Alice; his parents; siblings, Wayne Eugene Witherell, Clifford Witherell, Margie Otto, Ethell Hill, Bertha Hughes, Rose Shults, Mabel Hardinger.

A memorial gathering will be held for both Alice and Donald on Tuesday, December 30, 2025, from 9:00 am to 11:00 am, at Hurley Funeral Home in

Petersburg. The memorial service will follow with Pastor Mike Smoron officiating. Burial will follow the service at 1:00 pm at Camp Butler National Cemetery in Springfield, Illinois.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul Evangelical Free Church, 209 W. Douglas Ave, Petersburg, Illinois 62675.

Hurley Funeral Home in Petersburg, Illinois, is assisting Donald's family with funeral arrangements. Please visit Donald's online obituary at [hurleyfh.com](http://hurleyfh.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Camp Butler National Cemetery

5063 Camp Butler Road  
Springfield, IL 62707  
(217) 492-4070

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

DEC 30. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Hurley Funeral Home - Petersburg  
122 West Douglas Avenue  
Petersburg, IL 62675  
(217) 632-2500  
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

## Memorial Service

DEC 30. 11:00 AM (CT)

Hurley Funeral Home - Petersburg  
122 West Douglas Avenue  
Petersburg, IL 62675  
(217) 632-2500  
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

## Burial

DEC 30. 1:00 PM (CT)

Camp Butler National Cemetery  
5063 Camp Butler Road  
Springfield, IL 62707  
(217) 492-4070

# Tribute Wall

LW

“ I have beautiful memories of Don and Alice. They were always incredibly kind and loving. I am so sorry for your loss.

Laura Wilson - January 01 at 11:34 AM

LM

“ My memory of you and Aunt Alice was meeting you both in "2010" for the first time as my Uncle & Aunt and our first fish fry. May your laughter, love, kindness, and strength live on forever. Please give Dad a hug.



Linda MacDonald - December 30, 2025 at 08:15 AM

LM

“ Linda M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald Lee Witherell.

Linda M. - December 30, 2025 at 07:48 AM

TC

“ The VAC crew purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Donald Lee Witherell.



The VAC crew - December 29, 2025 at 03:37 PM

TC

“ The VAC crew planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald Lee Witherell.

The VAC crew - December 29, 2025 at 03:37 PM

CH

“ Great uncle Don was a awesome man! He will be missed dearly. My love and condolences to all.



Chuck Hunter - December 13, 2025 at 08:24 PM

BA

“ My condolences to the family for your loss. May you find peace knowing Don and Alice are pain free and forever together again.



Barbara - December 13, 2025 at 01:31 PM

TM

“ Tina M. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Donald Lee Witherell.



Tina M. - December 12, 2025 at 06:41 PM

JF

“ Jessica Krueger (Barnes) and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Donald Lee Witherell.



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**Jessica Krueger (Barnes) and family** - December 12, 2025 at 05:52 PM

JF

“ Jessica Krueger (Barnes) and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald Lee Witherell.

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**Jessica Krueger (Barnes) and family** - December 12, 2025 at 05:52 PM

CS

“ There are too many to mention. Uncle Don was one of the best and a strength beyond measure in the family. He was loving, giving, ornery, patient, and the list goes on. He took care of his siblings when they were young and continued by taking care of the rest of us. We all loved and do love him deeply.  
Fly free, Uncle Don. Enjoy your reunion!



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**Cindy Snowden** - December 12, 2025 at 01:34 PM

CB

“ Emma, we're so sorry about your brother's passing. Mark & Carol Buchanan

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**carol buchanan** - December 12, 2025 at 12:02 PM

JS

*To the very large and extended from of Uncle Don. I am sending a tree to be planted in his name. Rest in peace with Aunt Alice. Love always.*

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**Janice Stephens** - December 29, 2025 at 11:31 AM