



Donald "Don" Mattingly

March 25, 1937 - April 18, 2019

Donald Ross Mattingly born March 25, 1937 - April 18, 2019, Resident of Newnan, GA. After a decline in health, Don passed away peacefully at Piedmont Newnan Hospital. Don was born and raised in Dorton, KY and attended Dorton High School. He began his career in the beverage industry with Pepsi Cola in Newport News, VA. He relocated to Georgia in 1970 to take a position with South East Atlanta Corporation where he retired as plant manager.

He was one of ten children born to the late Joseph Paul Mattingly and Delphia Ann Osborne and was the beloved husband of Ruth Millard Mattingly for over 61 years. Don was predeceased by brothers Joe Mattingly, Greg Mattingly, and Danny Mattingly as well as a sisters Madeline Parsons and Irene Carlton. He is survived by his son Donald Ross Mattingly, Jr. as well as his sisters Linda Mattingly, Pauline Branham, Shirley Wright (husband Donald Lee) and Adoree Stanley along with countless other friends and family whom were blessed to know him.

Don loved music and many say he missed his calling and should have ventured to Nashville. He faithfully attended and played at Hollinville and Cedar Grove Music Halls, as well as many events in the area. He had quite a wit about him, you could not be around him very long without laughing. He loved to make people laugh especially with his songs such as Puttin' on the

Dog.

Don touched the lives of many people with his smile and generosity, and maintained his trademark sense of humor all the way to the end. Friends and family are invited to attend a memorial service on April 23, 2019 at 2 pm at Parrott Funeral Home, 8355 Senoia Road, Highway 74 N, Fairburn, GA 30213. The family will receive friends Tuesday from 12:30 until 2:00 at Parrott Funeral Home and Crematory, 770-964-4800.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Memorial Park

656 Roscoe Rd.
Newnan, GA 30263

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **23**. 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Parrott Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Donald "Don" Mattingly*



Parrott Funeral Home - April 22, 2019 at 12:03 PM

JS

Beautiful memories! Where lives intersect, lasting memories remain...

Jeane Smith - April 22, 2019 at 03:00 PM

JL

Mr. Don was a sweet, kind man with a sweet smile always! He will be missed ! 💔

June long - April 23, 2019 at 12:11 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. We always enjoyed Don's music and his friendly personality. We pray that you may find some peace in the knowledge that you will be together again, one day.*

Your friends at the Palmetto Neighborhood Senior Center

Patty Willey - April 23, 2019 at 01:26 PM

PM

“ Always enjoyed Brother Don's gentle spirit and fun approach to people, songs, and life! A life well lived. Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in Me, even if he dies, will live." Dear Ms. Ruth and family of Don: be comforted by the God of all comfort. May God grant you peace and love in the days ahead.

Pat Myatt - April 23, 2019 at 10:08 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" Mattingly.



April 22, 2019 at 04:09 PM

JS

“ It was a pleasure and privilege to share music making with Don! My husband, Doug Ellis, who passed away last year, my father, Frank Ramey and I appreciated his talent, his humor and his graciousness! He will be missed.



Jeanee Smith - April 22, 2019 at 03:02 PM

JR

“ Jeanee Smith-Ellis & Frank & Ruby Ramey purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Donald "Don" Mattingly.



Jeanee Smith-Ellis & Frank & Ruby Ramey - April 22, 2019 at 02:50 PM



“ 49 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Parrott Funeral Home - April 22, 2019 at 10:55 AM

GF

“ *Mr. Don was a very special man, loved people and music. Enjoyed playing music with him and will miss listening to his 12 string guitar but will especially miss his friendship.*
Roger and Glenda

George Fields - April 22, 2019 at 10:22 AM

AN

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. I too know the sting of death. The memories of good times will carry you thru these sad days. I hope that you can surround yourself with family and those who can build you up with the comfort you need. There is the best support found in God's word. Please read Isaiah 25:8. Death will soon be a thing of the past and there will be no more tears. Take care of yourself and let the scriptures fill you with hope and promise.*

Andrea - April 22, 2019 at 08:26 AM

DC

“ Sending my deepest sympathy with blessings, prayers and all my love.

*Debbie Carr
Virginia Beach, VA*

Debbie Carr - April 21, 2019 at 02:42 PM

CB

“ Sending you love and prayers.

*Cristina and Adam Birdwell
Chesapeake, Virginia*

Cristina Birdwell - April 21, 2019 at 02:37 PM

SB

“ Aunt Ruth, we are so sorry to hear about Uncle Don. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

*Love,
Sherry and Lawrence Brown
Smithfield, Virginia*

Sherry Brown - April 21, 2019 at 02:37 PM

SM

“ SHIRLEY S MILLARD purchased the Garden Cross for the family of Donald "Don" Mattingly.



SHIRLEY S MILLARD - April 21, 2019 at 02:24 PM

MA

“ *Marsha lit a candle in memory of Donald "Don" Mattingly*



marsha - April 20, 2019 at 08:29 PM

MA

“ *i was so surprised to hear about Don . the last time I was at cedar grove he looked so good. it was hard to believe. Ruth I know what you are going thru. I lost my husband 4 years ago in july. just know he will always be with you in spirit, and you will see him again. I know you do not know me very well , but I am here for you , all you have to do is let me know. marsha shaw from cedar grove*

marsha - April 20, 2019 at 08:27 PM



“ *Ruth we are so sorry to hear about Don. It was just a couple of weeks ago we all met up at lunch, and it was so nice seeing everyone. How quickly life can change! We're close by if you need anything and we are keeping you and your family in our prayers. Jerry and Debbie Waldrip*

Jerry N Debbie Waldrip - April 20, 2019 at 05:58 PM

BA

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with Ruth and the Mattingly family at this time of loss. We always enjoyed hearing Don and his band at Hollonville. He will be missed.*

Love

Tommy and Polly Barge



Barge's - April 20, 2019 at 05:38 PM

RE

“ my memories of my uncle Don are all good. he loved to make you laugh was always positive and loved music. my mother, (his sister) my brother(Fred), sisters,(Sue,Glenna, and Pam) and i (Rick) would always get excited when him and my aunt Ruth were coming for a visit. I remember staying with my uncle Don and aunt Ruth when i was a small child. it was the first time in my life that i was introduced to a salad and french dressing, go cart riding, and so much more, as a child i treasured these times and as an adult i treasure the memories. i remember riding with uncle Don and aunt Ruth to Kentucky. We got to the Kentucky line, and uncle Don pulled to the side of the road stopped the car, got out and started running around hollering. aunt Ruth said "he's crazy", he does this every time, we all just laughed. uncle Don got back in the car and started driving like nothing ever happened. that's my uncle Don, he would make you laugh. I love him and will miss him but look forward to seeing him again, and playing music together once more.



Richard Elkins - April 20, 2019 at 01:17 PM

RW

“ *Ruth, just want you to know that you are in my thoughts and in my prayers. I love you and if there's anything that you want me to do or I can do please give me a call. We all loved and appreciated Don so much. He was just one special guy and a beautiful, beautiful musician. We will all miss Him very much. But just remember we all love you.*

Ruth West - April 20, 2019 at 12:07 PM