



Donald Long

January 6, 1945 - October 22, 2006

Mr. Donald Long ,age 61, of Fairburn died October 2, 2006 of multiple organ failure. Don retired from the Georgia Tech Institute of Technology with 25 years of service as an instructor, research machinist and instrument maker. Mr. Long constructed the metal components of the first three prototypes of the 1996 Olympic Torch, and later received letters of appreciation from Billy Payne and other various plaques and awards, including one from The American Society of Mechanical Engineers. He later received his very own collectable Olympic Torch. He is survived by his wife of 34 years, Elaine Stephens Long, Fairburn; mother, Myrtle Long, Fairburn; sisters, Brenda Dechert and Betty Jo Atkins, both of Griffin; brothers, Garey and Mike (Joyce) Long, both of Fayetteville; aunt, Ruth Stubbs, Hiram; ?special daughters,? Debbie Stephens; Pam Roberts and Ivy Wroe; and nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held Tuesday, October 24, 2006 at 1 o?clock at the Chapel of Parrott Funeral Home. Rev. Steven Sheffield officiating. Interment Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens. those wishing may send an online condolence at www.parrottfuneralhome.com. The family will receive friends Monday from 4:00 until 8:00 p.m. at Parrott Funeral Home, Fairburn. 770-964-4800.

Tribute Wall

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“ I was very sorry to hear about Don's death. I had the pleasure of working with Don for many years and always admired his pleasant attitude and easy going approach to life. Don was very talented and made many contributions to Mechanical Engineering. It was a pleasure to have known and worked with Don. Elaine, our prayers are with you.

Gene Clopton - March 10, 2015 at 01:58 PM

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“ I was saddened to read about Don's death. He was such a gentle man while he worked here at the school. Don and I worked in the Technical support group in Mechanical Engineering. He was always in the shop, no matter when you went by. He would always have a smile on his face. Don will surely be missed, but to know that his troubled body is healed is a true blessing.
Melinda

Melinda Wilson - March 10, 2015 at 01:58 PM

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“ Please accept my deepest sympathy for your loss of Don. He was very reliable and conscientious employee of the Woodruff School. He was always pleasant to work with and helped many faculty and students over the years. He will be missed.

Ward O. Winer, Chair, George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering

Ward O. Winer - March 10, 2015 at 01:58 PM

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“ *I worked with Don for a number of years in Mechanical Engineering and greatly admired his strength and courage in facing numerous health issues. I am so sorry to learn of his passing. Best wishes to his family during this time of sorrow.*
Phil Coulson

Phillip Coulson - March 10, 2015 at 01:58 PM