



Donald W. Hand

August 31, 1943 - July 13, 2014

Donald W. Hand, 70, of St. Joseph passed away suddenly at his home on Sunday, July 13, 2014.

Family services will be held at a later date and cremation has taken place. Arrangements are by the Dey-Florin Chapel of Florin Funeral Service in St. Joseph. Please share memories, messages or photos at www.florin.net.

Don was born on Aug 31, 1943 in Benton Harbor to Robert and Marjorie Nixon Hand. He married his wife, Sue, and together they have celebrated 47 years of marriage. He was a veteran of the US Navy where he earned his GED. He later graduated from Central Michigan University. Don worked at Whirlpool for over 40 years before retiring. After retiring he volunteered as a greeter at the Berrien County Courthouse and worked at all the elections. He was an avid golfer and took great pride in all aspects of his life, especially his lawn.

He is survived by his wife, Sue; his children, Heather (Ken) Siersma of Royal Oak, MI, Will (Carly) Hand of Bloomington, MN, Tim (Chris) Hand of Stevensville, and Joe Hand of Kalamazoo; his twin brother, Ron Hand of Tucson, AZ and his beloved grandson, Sawyer Rhys Olson Hand of Bloomington, MN. His parents preceded him in death.

Tribute Wall



“ I recall Don very well he gave my Dad Bob Mounsey a ride to and from work for many months after my mom broke her hip and was not able to drive. My dad called Don every morning a made sure he was up and had coffee ready. It was good of Don to that

Janet Quinn - August 18, 2014 at 08:23 PM

BR

“ Don was always very kind to me. I remember when my sister, Susie and him lived in Eau Claire and he would make the real Hershey's Fudge. I will always remember how much he loved chocolate. He would really make over the the Cocoa Cake I would make to bring when the families would get together and also the Rigatoni. I will miss playing cards with him. He was the one who taught me how to play Yukor and this other game I just can't bring to mind right now the name of it. I love all my nephews and niece he gave me with the help of my sister of course. I will miss you Don. You have been a part of my life for many years.

Barbara Roush (McConnell)

Barbara Roush - July 21, 2014 at 07:58 AM

YD

“ Don always had a kind smile and a warm hug for everyone. I always enjoyed talking with him. The last time I talked with him was on June 22, at Jamin's graduation party. Don was relaxed and having a good time chatting with folks. He shared he really wanted to take a cruise and do some more golfing. He was a good man and will be missed.

Yvonne Dean - July 21, 2014 at 06:51 AM

MA

“ I remember working with Don many years ago at Whirlpool. I worked for Whirlpool Trading Company and Don, Jerry, Barb and myself would have to go to Chicago to do physical inventory of parts. He was always such a caring man and he will be missed.

Merry Arent

Merry Arent - July 21, 2014 at 05:39 AM

DL

“ I am sorry to hear of Don's Passing. I remember plenty of times while hanging out with Joe him passing his insight on life on to us. I'll carry pieces of his wisdom with me the rest of my life.

Dan Lockett - July 19, 2014 at 01:53 PM

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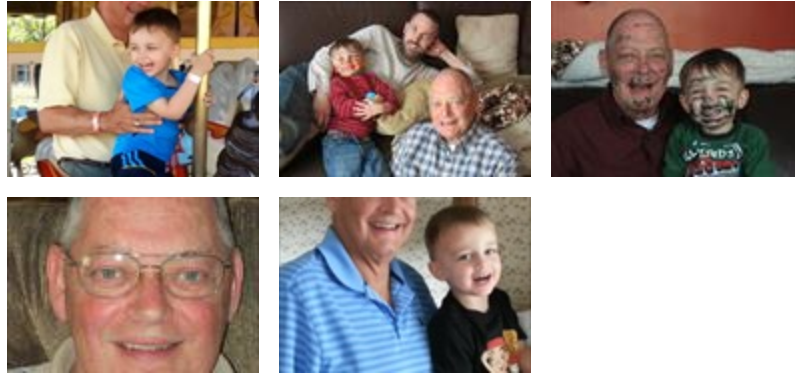
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Will Hand - July 17, 2014 at 02:47 PM

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Will Hand - July 17, 2014 at 02:46 PM

SZ

Great pictures of the family with your dad. Brought tears to my eyes.

Susan Zagorski - July 17, 2014 at 08:13 PM

GH

“ It was a pleasure to have worked with Don at the St Joe Division while at Whirlpool. I was happy he stayed at the Corporation after the Division closed. He was always a happy guy and a person that could be trusted in his everyday missions. I will miss him at the voting booth each year. GOD be with his family during these troubling times.



Guinn Hill - July 16, 2014 at 10:19 PM

RA

“ We are sad to hear of Don's death and very sorry for your loss. Don and I worked together for a number of years at Whirlpool. It was always a joy to work with Don. In recent times, Marguerite and I enjoyed the Golden Eagles events with him.

Bob and Marguerite Althoff

Robert Althoff - July 16, 2014 at 08:45 AM

MN

“ I remember working with Don years ago at Whirlpool St. Joe division, my thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Michael Neumann

michael neumann - July 16, 2014 at 04:22 AM

JP

“ Tim and family - I just heard. "I'm sorry for your loss", though true, sounds hollow. If there's anything we can do, let me or my parents know. Thoughts and prayers. James Pabis.

James Pabis - July 15, 2014 at 06:12 PM

VB

“ Heather and Ken,
Wishing you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your hearts.
With heartfelt condolences,
Vanessa Baker



Vanessa Baker - July 15, 2014 at 12:08 PM

YI

“ *Your family at EKK, Inc. purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of Donald W. Hand.*



Your family at EKK, Inc. - July 15, 2014 at 12:01 PM

RZ

“ *Randall Z. purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of Donald W. Hand.*



Randall Z. - July 15, 2014 at 08:49 AM