



Donald F. Ellett

December 3, 1929 - September 28, 2013

Donald Fountain Ellett of Gosport passed away at IU Health Medical Center on Saturday, September 28, 2013 at the age of 83.

Don was born on December 3, 1929 to Albert F. and Epsie (Abbitt) Ellett in Bloomington. Don served during the Korean War in the US Army where he was given a Purple Heart medal. He was a stone mason working with the union, building the IU Stadium and traveled the state building many buildings. Don was an avid outdoorsman where he enjoyed hunting and fishing. He was a member of the Bloomington Bowman Club and the Indiana Bow Hunters Association. He competed and won first place in the state in archery. He also competed in the National Championship. Don enjoyed life and lived the way he wanted to.

Don will be sadly missed by all his friends and family.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Harold "Jack" Ellett and sister-in-law, Ruth Ellett.

A celebration of life will be held at Chandler Funeral Home on Wednesday, October 2, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. Burial is to follow at Methodist Cemetery. Visitation will be at the funeral home on Tuesday from 5:00 to 9:00.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Bloomington Bowman Club in care of the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Methodist Cemetery

Louden Road and Reeves Road
Bloomington, IN 47404

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 1. 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Chandler Funeral Homes - Ellettsville Chapel
203 E. Temperance Street
Ellettsville, IN 47429
(812) 876-6075
chandlerfh@bluemarble.net
<https://www.chandlerfh.com>

Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall

HS

“ Shared some White Horse Scotch with Don years ago at Sherwood Bowmans Club shoots. Don = one of the best bow hunters and shooters anywhere. I miss those times.

Rest in Peace

Harry Siepman

Harry Siepman - October 01, 2013 at 08:18 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Donald F. Ellett.



October 01, 2013 at 07:49 AM

PA

“ Pamela(Turpin)Pedro&Jackie(Turpin)Kerr purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Donald F. Ellett.



Pamela(Turpin)Pedro&Jackie(Turpin)Kerr - October 01, 2013 at 02:56 AM

RD

“ I am going to repeat a lot of what Rick Trinkle said in his comments. My dad and I use to visit Don at deer camp on Millers ridge in brown county. I also remember the White Horse Scotch bottles and his green wagoner. Dad went with him the year that he took state in bare-bow competition. He would come to our house in Spencer and see how many deer we had or we would stop in Ellettsville to see him and Lydia. He gave me my first bow, a green fiberglass longbow. Rest in peace Don from the Downes Family. Randy Downes

Randy Downes - September 30, 2013 at 05:48 PM

RF

“ From the Robertson clan and extended families:

To a wonderful Uncle who will be missed greatly and was loved deeply: Rest in Peace and we'll see you in the woods on opening day.

Robertson Family - September 30, 2013 at 02:10 PM

RT

“ My Dad and I used to visit Don at his deer camp to see if he had any luck. I remember The empty White Horse bottles tied around the camp on rope fence! I will Never forget when he came over to my hunting cabins on White River an target practiced, and the next day was hunting season and dad and I was hunting on a adjoining farm that Don was hunting on at Burma rd. I think he thought we followed him that morning? My Dad and Don talked a lot about the Korean War a lot when we would stop and visit him. I thank Don , my Dad , my Son in afghanistan , and all the veterans that help keep this country free! Thank You ! Rick Trinkle

Rick Trinkle - September 30, 2013 at 01:19 PM

HA

“ *Don was a great friend and co-worker to my late father in law. A great mentor to our children growing up around the bow club. All around left a lot of good memories.*

Hatchett"s - September 30, 2013 at 01:09 PM

CA

“ *We will miss seeing Don driving by several times a day and often stopping and talking. Lettie you are in our thoughts as this is a great loss for you, bless you for being a best friend and help to Don.....Bob and Carilyn*

carilyndillman - September 30, 2013 at 01:08 PM

HF

“ *Hatchett Family lit a candle in memory of Donald F. Ellett*



Hatchett Family - September 30, 2013 at 01:05 PM

TF

“ *Don was a great friend and co-worker to my late Father-in-law and a great mentor to our children growing up at the Bow Club. He will be missed by many.*

The Hatchett Family - September 30, 2013 at 01:01 PM

PT

“ *WHAT A HANDSOME MAN. MY FIRST LOVE WHEN I WAS 5 YRS OLD. YOU ALWAYS REMEMBERED MY BIRTHDAY. R.I.P. DON, SAY HELLO TO EMMY & BALFORD*

Pamela Turpin - September 30, 2013 at 05:14 AM

DK

I think he made a big impression on all of us little girls. He will continue on in our hearts. Great person and friend.

Debbie (Flanary) Kerr - September 30, 2013 at 11:36 AM

PT

“ *Pamela Turpin lit a candle in memory of Donald F. Ellett*



Pamela Turpin - September 30, 2013 at 05:04 AM



“ *Bud and I have alot of wonderful memories of Don. Visiting his camp in Brown county, and always so proud to tell Don when we finally got a deer. He would lighten with a smile and share a drink with us to celebrate. I remember turning and jabbing him with my arrows at a league shoot, i didn't know him real well yet, and he just laughed and never let me live it down. We all have many great memories of a special friend, hunter, and archer. We will miss you, but I know that you will be in the woods with all of us on opening day. Bud and Linda*

Linda Kinser - September 29, 2013 at 05:20 PM

BB

“ *For quite a number of years, I would see Don at the 7-11 in Ellettsville at 5:00 am every morning. We go to know each other pretty well doing that.*

Bobby Bristoe - September 29, 2013 at 04:47 PM

JH

“ You will be missed Don, You were a friend and Hero in my eyes and the best neighborhood watchman I have ever known, you were always out there patrolling. Rest in peace.

Jyma & Dan Hale - September 29, 2013 at 03:30 PM