



Donald Durkin

March 21, 1948 - December 24, 2017

Donald Durkin, age 69, died on Sunday, December 24, 2017 at his residence. Born in Rockville Centre, NY, Donald was a son of the late John Patrick Durkin and Eleanor Minnie Hagemann. Donald is a U.S. Army veteran and worked for Northrop Grumman in auditing in New York and Virginia. He is a member of the Sons and Daughters of Italy Lodge 2662 and a member of the Moose Lodge 1959. Donald is fondly remembered for his love of golf.

Survivors include his wife of 11 plus years Jane Shirreffs Durkin; son, Dan Durkin (Lisa) of Milford, CT; step children, Wayne Shirreffs and Dawn Shirreffs; grandchildren, Rose, Sofia, and Rowan; sisters, Shirley Tretola (Ritchie), Diane Mason (Jeff), and Nancy Gorman (Dennis); and several nieces and nephews.

A Memorial Service to celebrate his life will be held 4:00 PM, Saturday, January 6, 2018 at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel. A reception will follow in the Goldfinch Funeral Home's Celebration Center.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Jane Shirreffs Durkin for the Don Durkin Memorial Fund.

Sign a guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

JS

“ I worked with Don for approximately 5 years while at Unisys Corp. Not only was he a kind, thoughtful and caring person, but he was to this day the finest auditor I have come across. Don would jump from A to C when the rest of us were chewing on B. He brought deep insight to things. It was a pleasure for I and everyone else to just listen to him.



My Condolences to the Family.

John Scimeme - March 18, 2020 at 09:51 PM

BM

“ Betty & Joe Munroe lit a candle in memory of Donald Durkin



Betty & Joe Munroe - January 06, 2018 at 02:01 PM

LS

“ Love, Wayne, Sam and Sofia purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Donald Durkin.



Love, Wayne, Sam and Sofia - January 06, 2018 at 10:48 AM

LD

“ Whenever we saw Don, he always greeted us with a smile and offered a hug and a handshake. He struck us as a kind and gentle man and will be sorely missed by both of us. Our hearts go out to you, Jane and Claire, for this unexpected and tragic loss.
Linda and Jim Darch

Linda & Jim Darch - January 03, 2018 at 07:45 PM

LD

“ Sorry for your loss. The short time that I have known Don. He was a great gentleman, and friend. A very caring and giving person. I am so blessed to have known him. *Larry DeBarros*

Lawrence DeBarros - January 03, 2018 at 01:44 PM

JM

“ So sorry to hear this news, he was not only a good friend but also a good human being! We will all miss him!!
Joe & Diane Marretta

joe marretta - January 02, 2018 at 03:35 PM

TC

“ So sorry for your loss Jane, he was a great man.

*Our condolences
Theresa & Pete Crupi*

Theresa & Peter Crupi - January 01, 2018 at 03:48 PM

WU

“ Thanks for your service Soldier !!!
Wayne Williams
United States Marine Corps



Wayne Williams - USMC - December 30, 2017 at 10:17 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the
family of Donald Durkin.



December 29, 2017 at 12:30 PM

CS

“ Dear Jane and Aunt Claire,
Words cannot begin to express our heartfelt sympathy. We loved
having Don as part of our family. He was such good company and
such a joy to be with. His passing will leave a big void in all of our
lives. Treasure the memories and love you shared with him. You are
in my thoughts and prayers. The Lord is watching over him and Don
is watching over you. Love you,
Cousin Connie

Connie Schiraldi - December 28, 2017 at 07:51 PM



“ *With Deepest Sympathy Gift Basket was purchased for the family of Donald Durkin.*



December 28, 2017 at 03:13 PM



“ *William Stursberg lit a candle in memory of Donald Durkin*



william stursberg - December 28, 2017 at 11:45 AM



“ *Jane we are so sorry for your loss. We had a few laughs with Don on a cruise years ago. May God hold you gently in his palms. Don will surely be missed. Roseann and Frank Livulpi*



Roseann and Frank Livulpi - December 28, 2017 at 10:01 AM

SH

“ I think of golf and cards when I think of Don. Loved Don's sense of humor. Never saw his face light up like it did when he was skyping Rose. He was a good man, good father, good husband and grandfather. I know he will be watching over his family from heaven.



Sharon - December 28, 2017 at 09:37 AM

DR

“ So sorry for your loss Jane. Always enjoyed seeing Dons smile. He will be greatly missed by many.

Debbie Rodey - December 27, 2017 at 11:06 PM



“ Jane and Clair and Family: I always like to pass along this quote from an Irish tombstone: " Death leaves a heartache no one heal; Love leaves a memory no one can steal" May you always keep the memories alive. PEACE, Cathie Whitney

Cathie Whitney - December 27, 2017 at 08:12 PM

CC

“ Don was a beautiful man. Jane he will be missed, and I am sure your mom will miss him also. So sorry for your loss. Connie Carlino

connie carlino - December 27, 2017 at 07:11 PM

SH

“ Jane and Claire: We are so sorry for your loss. Don was a good friend and neighbor. Deepest sympathy to you and the entire family. Love, Sonja and Johnny

Sonja Harlow - December 27, 2017 at 06:19 PM

BD

“ I know the golfers will have great stories to share but my memory revolves around cards. Our group always had fun no matter whose house we were at, but I always remember Don kidding around when Claire was winning (as she so often did in her quiet unassuming way). He will be missed by many.



Barbara Dieckmann - December 27, 2017 at 04:56 PM

GG

“ Jane, Clair & Family, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time. Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family.

George & Kay Graham

George & Kay Graham - December 27, 2017 at 02:23 PM



SG

“ we did not see each other to often , but i considered him my good friend . ar deepest sympathy carolyn & sal grillo



sal grillo - December 27, 2017 at 01:48 PM

TC

“ Dear Jane,
My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this most difficult time. It's important to remember the good times of your lives together. May God's love bring you peace. Tina Calo

Tina Calo - December 27, 2017 at 08:16 AM

DS

“ Only knew Don for a short period of time through our golf League. Will remember him as a fun-loving gentleman and dedicated member of our organization. Thoughts ad prayers for Don's family and friends at this difficult time.

Don Slezak

Don Slezak - December 27, 2017 at 06:21 AM

JC

“ Such fond memories of Don a fine man especially rooming together on our early golf trip to Santee Golf Resort. Please accept our sincere condolences.
John and Sue Cardarelli

John Cardarelli - December 27, 2017 at 01:34 AM

PS

Jane, my heart goes out to you. Remember he is with our Lord and in peace. My sincere condolences, Pat Stokes

Pat Stokes - December 27, 2017 at 03:12 PM

CS

“ Jane and Clair, I'm so sorry for your loss. Yours and Don's friendship was a special part of Ted and my life. He will be missed.
Cyn Rybak

Cynthia Smailes-Rybak - December 26, 2017 at 07:29 PM

BK

Jane. Claire and family. So sorry for your loss. I'll remember the good times we had playing Bocce. Don was usually my partner and we had some great laughs. He was a swell guy and will be missed.

Barbara Kelly - December 28, 2017 at 06:52 AM

CP

Jane,
Jim and I were saddened to hear of your loss. I hope that maybe I can be of some comfort in the days and months to come as I have walked in your shoes. Having friends and family to share thoughts and prayers with is very comforting but suffering a sudden loss is not something everyone goes through. You are in my heart.

Carol Perry - December 28, 2017 at 10:47 AM

BM

We are so sorry for your loss, Jane. Our deepest sympathy goes out to you and the family in this difficult time. We recall the time when you and Don, stopped by the house when playing Golf at Heritage. He will be missed.

Barbara & Tony La Marca - January 01, 2018 at 10:48 AM

CW

Dear Jane & Claire, My heart goes out to you during this most difficult time, so sorry for your loss.

Carol Waters - January 01, 2018 at 04:53 PM

JC

Don, I will miss you. Jane and Clare god bless you and my prayers for your loss. Jim Corbett

Jim Corbett - January 03, 2018 at 12:45 PM

JC

Jane and Claire, Don always had a smile for everyone and never a bad word. We always enjoyed our time with him at OSDIA and Joe loved the annual golf trips with Don. He was a wonderful man and will be missed by all of us. Our deepest sympathies to you. The good ones always leave us too soon.

Joe and Karen Crisalli - January 05, 2018 at 04:42 PM