



Donald E. Yowell

June 27, 1936 - December 17, 2015

Donald E. Yowell, (Don) (Paw Paw) 79, passed away on Thursday, December 17, 2015. He was born on June 27, 1936, in Tonkawa, OK, to Ray and Marian Yowell.

On December 23, 1975, Don married a lifelong resident of Roswell, Jody McDaniel. She remains at the family home.

Upon graduating from high school, Don served his country in the Air Force for ten years. After spending 15 plus years working at TMC as a foreman, Don was forced to retire due to a disability acquired after a fall at the plant.

He was an active member of the Roswell Elks Lodge. Every year, Don would drive to Houston to pick up fresh seafood for the lodge's annual seafood supper. Traveling was a pleasure and a joy to him. During his lifetime, he travelled the world while in the Air Force and continued that passion throughout his life. Driving a truck for many years gave him great pleasure, and he was known as Dandy Doodle. He would also haul horses for his family and friends which allowed him that joy of being behind the wheel for hours and seeing even more of the country. He and Jody enjoyed vacationing in Gunnison, CO, boating and fishing around New Mexico and later in life they would travel to Laughlin, NV and Ruidoso for some get-a-way time.

Donald loved his family and invested time taking his granddaughter to horse shows, taking his grandson swimming and going for a banana split with his son-in-law. He was known to have a great memory, enjoyed dancing and never met a stranger. He was truly born with the gift of gab.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Roy and Marian Yowell; a brother Joe Yowell; sisters: Terrie Miller and Ruth Ann McKee; and a nephew, Brian Miller.

Those remaining to carry on Don's heritage are his wife, Jody of Roswell; daughter Cheryl (Kitten) Wafful (Tim) of Roswell; son Jesse McDaniel Sr. of Las Vegas, NM; granddaughters: Tawnya Satterfield (Jody) of Hereford, TX and Kelli Lusk (Josh) of Roswell; grandsons: Jesse McDaniel Jr. (Jahanna) of Roswell and Matthew McDaniel (Lori) of Roswell. Also surviving him are nine great-grandchildren.

He is in the most glorious place right now! So jealous of him, to be there with all the loved ones he's lost here on earth, to sit at the feet of Jesus. He was received with open arms and everlasting light.

A Memorial Service will be held in the Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home Chapel, 2609 S Main St, Roswell, NM, Tuesday, December 22, 2015, at 1:00 PM. Pastor Rick Hale of Grace Community Church will officiate. The family will receive friends and visitors at Grace Church following the service.

Obituary loving written by the family.

Please take a moment to share your thoughts and memories of Donald with his family in the online register at andersonbethany.com.

Services are under the direction of Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory

Tribute Wall



“ *Donald E. Yowell*

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *Barbara Yowell , Mike and Karen. Susan McKee purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Donald E. Yowell.*



Barbara Yowell , Mike and Karen. Susan McKee - December 21, 2015 at 04:22 PM



“ *Don and I have known each other for many years. He was a veteran and I a nurse at the VA Artesia. But the neatest thing was to share the birth of his grandson and mine.. We sat in the waiting room together while our daughters labored to give us those precious boys. He was so proud of all his kids and grandkids, but we shared the boys growing up. They will be 18 this coming August... I will miss him more that day than others because we will not be able to compare.... Rest in Peace Don...*

Robbie Pearson - December 21, 2015 at 12:12 PM



“ *BEVERLY & JIMMY POPE lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Yowell*



BEVERLY & JIMMY POPE - December 21, 2015 at 08:49 AM



“ I worked at TMC also and meet both Jody and Don through working part-time at Bud's lounge. They were wonderful people. So sorry Jody for your loss.

Margaret Westall

Margaret Potter-Westall - December 20, 2015 at 05:36 PM