



## Donald Lee Cullison

September 16, 1949 - January 21, 2016

Donald Lee Cullison, son of the late Elmer Lee and Cherry Maxine (Lauderdale) Cullison, was born September 16, 1949 in Munich, Germany. Due to his father being in the military, Don and his family moved frequently, but mostly lived in Texas.

From 1964 - 1966, Don lived in Pennsylvania and built pools. He then began working as a cable splicer for a contracting company that sent him to Missouri in 1966. In 1972, Don began working for United Telephone Company and retired in 2012.

On April 13, 1973, Don was united in marriage to Susan Kay Williams in Waynesville, Missouri. They shared over 42 years of marriage together and were blessed with one son, J.T.

In his spare time, Don enjoyed working with wood and distilling. He loved being outdoors; whether it was taking a canoe down the river with J.T., riding his Harley Davidson or going on the annual birthday float trip that the 42 boys gave him and his good friend Dan Deardorff. Don also enjoyed collecting knives. Don loved spending time with his family, especially playing with his grandkids.

Don was a member of the Waynesville Masonic Lodge #375 AF & AM, the

Scottish Rite and was Vice Rajah for the Pulaski County / Fort Leonard Wood Shrine Club.

Don passed away Thursday, January 21, 2016 in the Cox Medical Center - South of Springfield, Missouri having attained the age of 66 years. He will be sadly missed by all those that knew and loved him.

Don is survived by his wife: Susan Cullison of Waynesville, MO; one son: J.T. Cullison and wife Jill of O'Fallon, MO; three grandchildren: Luke, Ryan and Jack Cullison all of O'Fallon, MO; four siblings: Judy Gould of Kingsland, TX, Betty Carpenter and husband Jimmy of Burnett, TX, David Cullison of Kingsland, TX and Lou Binnion of the state of Texas; several nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

In addition to his parents, Don was preceded in death by one brother: Gary Cullison.

Services were held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 26, 2016 in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert with Rev. Danny Graves and Pastor Howard Malone officiating. The songs "That's My Job" by Conway Twitty, "When I Get Where I'm Going" by Brad Paisley and "I Hope You Dance" by Lee Ann Womack were played. Serving as escorts were John Rosipal, Joe Curtman, Pat Shoemaker, Shawn Nickels, Jason Cullison and Lance Cullison. Serving as honorary escorts were Dan Deardorff, Ed Foote, David Cullison, Larry Lercher, Marvin Newell, Derrick Cullison and Deron Cullison. Burial followed in the Sunset Memorial Estates Cemetery of Waynesville.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Don Cullison to the Shriner's Hospital for Crippled Children and may be left at the funeral home.



# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Memorial Estates Cemetery

Highway 17 South  
Waynesville, MO 65583  
(573) 774-6111  
memorialchapels@embarqmail.com

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JAN 25.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert  
202 Historic 66 W.  
Waynesville, MO 65583  
(573) 774-6111  
memorialchapels@embarqmail.com

## Service

**JAN 26.** 11:00 AM (CT)

Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert  
202 Historic 66 W.  
Waynesville, MO 65583  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Memorial Chapels and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Donald Lee Cullison*



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**Memorial Chapels and Crematory** - January 25, 2016 at 04:29 PM



“ *Donald Lee Cullison*

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January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *My condolences to the Cullison family. I knew Gary, Don, and David when they were kids in Alpine, Texas. David was in my class. I also served in the Navy with Bobby Peterson, who I believe worked with Don in the Richland area. I would like very much to hear from David and Bobby. My God give peace to your hearts.*

*Ray "Buck" Hendryx*

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**Ray Hendryx** - January 29, 2016 at 03:18 PM

LL

“ Linda Levett lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison



Linda Levett - January 26, 2016 at 11:50 AM

LC

“ Dear Sue, J.T., Judy, Betty, David and Lou --

*Grief is the last act of love we have to give to those we love. Where there is deep grief there is great love. Grief never ends...but it changes. It's a passage, not a place to stay. Grief is not a sign of weakness, not a lack of faith... It is the price of love.*

*Praying for God's infinite love and grace to see you through your grief.*

*Laurie Killinen Cowles and Uncle Bob Killinen*

Laurie Cowles - January 25, 2016 at 01:47 PM



“ 71 files added to the album LifeTributes



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - January 25, 2016 at 10:41 AM

CE

“ Cheryl Engle lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison



Cheryl Engle - January 25, 2016 at 07:49 AM

MS

“ Michelle Bunch Smith lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison



Michelle Bunch Smith - January 24, 2016 at 11:08 PM

SF

“ Stephanie Billy Fenton lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison



Stephanie Billy Fenton - January 24, 2016 at 07:09 PM

HD

“ Harold Drossel lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison



Harold Drossel - January 24, 2016 at 05:50 PM

MT

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers to his family!!  
Mike and Maxine Thompson



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**Mike and Maxine Thompson** - January 24, 2016 at 03:32 PM

SG

“ Cully will be greatly miss by so many people whose lives he has touched . He has helped so many behind the scenes that folks never even knew about . I know this because I was one of them when I first came back to the area and I needed a job . He helped me with a small amount of money (which I paid back) but I did not even ask . He was always there to lend a helping hand to so many folks . I know God needs his work now in heaven.....but I hope they have Coors Light up there !! LOL Prayers for Susan and all of the kids and family . God Bless you all .

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**Sandy Garrett** - January 24, 2016 at 07:47 AM

SG

“ Sandy Garrett lit a candle in memory of  
Donald Lee Cullison



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**Sandy Garrett** - January 24, 2016 at 07:36 AM

DJ

“ David and Pam Johnson send prayers to the Cullison family.



David Johnson - January 24, 2016 at 12:01 AM

LW

“ Linda And George Wheeler lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison



Linda and George Wheeler - January 23, 2016 at 06:53 PM

LW

Susan and family, You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Linda and George Wheeler - January 23, 2016 at 06:54 PM

PG

“ We are comforted in knowing that during this season of bereavement for the family: The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore. Psalm 121:8 (ESV)



PULASKI COUNTY CAMP GIDEONS - January 23, 2016 at 02:14 PM



“ *Chuck & Becky Dunne lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison*



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**Chuck & Becky Dunne** - January 23, 2016 at 12:17 PM

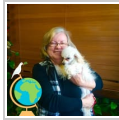


“ *Janis Thompson lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison*



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**Janis Thompson** - January 23, 2016 at 12:03 PM



*So sorry for your loss.*

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**Janis Thompson** - January 23, 2016 at 12:03 PM



“ *Lois Fry lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison*



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**Lois Fry** - January 23, 2016 at 11:26 AM



“ *Catherine Honaker lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison*



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**Catherine Honaker** - January 23, 2016 at 11:06 AM



“ *Mike & Retha lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison*



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**Mike & Retha** - January 23, 2016 at 09:52 AM



“ *Pam & Steve Seda lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison*



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**Pam & Steve Seda** - January 23, 2016 at 09:23 AM



“ *Pam Flanary (Vach) lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison*



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**Pam Flanary (Vach)** - January 23, 2016 at 09:09 AM

ML

“ Micheal And Jake Lumpkin lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison



Micheal and Jake Lumpkin - January 23, 2016 at 08:33 AM

PL

“ Phyllis Lowe lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison



Phyllis Lowe - January 23, 2016 at 08:21 AM

JE

“ Jennifer Echelberry lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison



Jennifer Echelberry - January 22, 2016 at 11:38 PM

SP

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



spur - January 22, 2016 at 11:38 PM



“ *Patti Dumas lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison*



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**Patti Dumas** - January 22, 2016 at 11:01 PM



“ *Don & Connie Roberson lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison*



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**Don & Connie Roberson** - January 22, 2016 at 09:52 PM



“ *Share a memory of Donald Lee Cullison or send condolences to the family.*



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**Barbi Surmiller-Hoskins** - January 22, 2016 at 09:12 PM



“ *Bill Anderson lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison*



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**Bill anderson** - January 22, 2016 at 08:37 PM

BA

“ *Bill Anderson lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison*



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**Bill anderson** - January 22, 2016 at 08:35 PM

DH

“ *Donna Hendrix*



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**Donna Hendrix** - January 22, 2016 at 08:20 PM

DM

“ *Debby Myers lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison*



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**Debby Myers** - January 22, 2016 at 08:12 PM

JE

“ *Jennifer Echelberry lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison*



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**Jennifer Echelberry** - January 22, 2016 at 08:12 PM

DD

“ *Deborah Dye lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison*



Deborah Dye - January 22, 2016 at 08:07 PM

DD

*I'm so sorry for your loss Susan and family, my heart goes out to you all.*

Deborah Dye - January 22, 2016 at 08:08 PM

DW

“ *Dan & Pam Woodin lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison*



Dan & Pam Woodin - January 22, 2016 at 08:01 PM

DW

*Don, we will so miss that happy laugh you always shared. You will be missed by all of us and we'll meet again on the other side. Keep the laughter going! Hugs!*

Dan & Pam Woodin - January 22, 2016 at 08:04 PM

MG

“ *Martel Goldman lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison*



Martel Goldman - January 22, 2016 at 07:48 PM

DB

“ Love you Uncle Don.



Dee Dee Baron - January 22, 2016 at 07:32 PM

JB

“ Jeff Begins lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison



Jeff Begins - January 22, 2016 at 07:30 PM

SN

“ Shawn And Sheri Nickles lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison



Shawn and Sheri Nickles - January 22, 2016 at 07:13 PM

HW

“ Harold And Judy Woody lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison



Harold and Judy Woody - January 22, 2016 at 07:12 PM

SD

“ *My deepest sympathy to Susan and family during this difficult time. My thoughts and prayers to you.*



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**Sheila Debo** - January 22, 2016 at 06:17 PM

MF

“ *Marie Farias lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison*



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**Marie Farias** - January 22, 2016 at 04:31 PM

SC

“ *You will be missed.*



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**Sue Covert** - January 22, 2016 at 02:17 PM

LR

“ *Susan and family,*

*We are sorry to hear about the loss of your loved one. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*The Alphapointe BSC Staff.*



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**LaWanna Rogers** - January 22, 2016 at 01:44 PM

MS

“ *MARLIN STEVENS lit a candle in memory of Donald Lee Cullison*



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**MARLIN STEVENS** - January 22, 2016 at 12:15 PM