



Donald N. Gibson

June 13, 1937 - July 23, 2022

Donald N. Gibson was embraced by peace on July 23, 2022, at home surrounded by loved ones.

Don was born in Oneonta, NY in 1937 and graduated from New Berlin Central School in 1955. After graduation he served in the US Army until 1957, stationed in Japan. Don then went on to college at SUNY Oneonta and graduated with a Bachelor's in 1963 and then later his Master's in Education Administration.

Don began his 50-year education career in 1961, serving as a 5th grade teacher in Edmenston, and later a high school social studies teacher in Leonardsville. In LaFayette, Don was a Driver's Ed instructor, bus driver, basketball coach, Assistant Principal, and Principal. Afterwards he went to Seneca Falls as a Principal. He continued his career as a Superintendent of Schools in Richmondville, and later in Cairo, New York. He was proud to have implemented several different programs that are still active today.

After retirement, Don remained active in local community groups, and serving as interim Superintendent of Schools nine times in surrounding school districts. Of particular note, Don co-chaired with his wife the Cairo-Durham Reach Work Camp, in 2010 and 2014. The Cairo-Durham schools housed hundreds of students both summers. The Reach Work Camp provided home repairs to disenfranchised residents throughout the Cairo-Durham School

District. He took an active role in the grandchildren's lives by attending sporting events, birthday parties, summer vacations, holidays, and any milestones.

Don was preceded in death by his parents, Laurence and Eunice (Simser). He is survived by his loving wife of 63 years Betty (Gilmour), devoted children Donald (Patricia) and Donna (Sieg), and wonderful grandchildren Kyle, Collin, and Ryan (Gibson); and Deric and Dayana (Obeldobel).

The calling hours will be held at The Cairo United Methodist Church, 488 Main Street, Cairo, N.Y., at 10:00 A.M., Friday, July 29th, 2022, followed by a Celebration of Life Ceremony at 12:00 noon, at the church, with Pastor Saebuek Lee of The Cairo United Methodist Church, officiating.

Donations may be made to The Cairo United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 552, Cairo, N.Y., 12413.

Arrangements are under the direction of Richards Funeral Home, Cairo, N.Y. Condolences may be made at www.richardsfuneralhomeinc.net.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 29. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

The Cairo United Methodist Church
488 Main Street
Cairo , NY 12413

Service

JUL 29. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

AS

“ *Adriana & Jeff Simpson purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Donald N. Gibson.*



Adriana & Jeff Simpson - July 28, 2022 at 04:20 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald N. Gibson.*



July 27, 2022 at 10:04 PM

BC

“ *Bill and Patti Calderara purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Donald N. Gibson.*



Bill and Patti Calderara - July 27, 2022 at 12:42 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald N. Gibson.*



July 27, 2022 at 12:16 PM

BW

“ *Betty White lit a candle in memory of Donald N. Gibson*



betty white - July 27, 2022 at 11:06 AM

BW

A gentleman, a scholar, a great sense of humor - a good and a caring person - Rest in Peace Mr. Gibson.

betty white - July 27, 2022 at 11:25 AM

DG

Thank you so much Ms. White for sharing your kind thoughts about my dad. Donna

Donna Gibson - August 08, 2022 at 04:44 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald N. Gibson.*



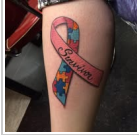
July 27, 2022 at 10:32 AM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Donald N. Gibson.*



July 27, 2022 at 12:13 AM



“ *Marlo Parker lit a candle in memory of Donald N. Gibson*



Marlo Parker - July 26, 2022 at 06:31 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Donald N. Gibson.*



July 25, 2022 at 06:46 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donald N. Gibson.*



July 25, 2022 at 05:04 PM



“ *Paul R. Seney, Jr. lit a candle in memory of Donald N. Gibson*



Paul R. Seney, Jr. - July 25, 2022 at 12:19 PM

PJ

The Entire Staff Sends Its Deep Condolences to The Family of Donald N. Gibson at this most difficult time. It has been an honor and a pleasure to be your neighbors for so many wonderful years.

Paul R. Seney, Jr. - July 25, 2022 at 12:21 PM

BD

I am so sorry to hear of Don's passing. My love to you and your family.
Barb Delamater

BARB delamater - July 26, 2022 at 12:55 PM

DG

Thank you, Ms. Delamater. We appreciate your thoughts. Love from The Gibson Family

Donna Gibson - August 08, 2022 at 04:46 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Memories



Richards Funeral Home of the Mid Hudson Valley Inc. - July 25, 2022 at 12:07 PM



“ 2 files added to the album U.S. Army Memories



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