



## Donald R. Houston

June 28, 1973 - February 8, 2018

Donald R. Houston, age 44, of New Haven, passed away on February 8, 2018, unexpectedly. He was born on June 28, 1973, in Detroit.

Don was an employee of Selfridge Plating. He was a musician, and played the drums in the band – “Rock Dog Therapy”. He enjoyed spending time with his family and friends.

He is survived by his mother, Linda Houston of New Haven, siblings; David (Cindy) Hardrick of Christiansburg, Virginia, Randy Houston of Rolla, Missouri, Barbara Houston of Rolla, Missouri, Pat (George) Maidens of New Haven, Phil (Kim) Hardrick of Monroe, Kathy Hardrick, and Ashley (Cory) Hayes of Shelby Township, along with several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Donald Houston.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday - April 7, 2018 at Camp Rotary Activities Center, Ray Township at 2:00pm. Inurnment will be in Centennial Cemetery, New Haven.

Arrangements in care of Jowett Funeral Home – 57737 Gratiot, New Haven.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

APR 7. 2:00 PM (ET)

Camp Rotary Activities Center  
Ray Township, MI

# Tribute Wall

AH

“ Our family is hurting so much right now. I'm praying to Jesus that He brings us together in love and peace and that some day we won't hurt anymore. God says that "blessed are they that mourn".

Alice Hadrich - June 25, 2021 at 03:07 PM

AH

“ Alice Hadrich lit a candle in memory of Donald R. Houston



Alice Hadrich - June 25, 2021 at 03:01 PM

KA

“ Donald I want you all to start getting ready. I know you have a wonderful place waiting for mom and shes ready to come home to all of you my dad your dad not sure how that works and granny joanne Diane. Moms tired shes going to be so happy to see you. Tell everyone i love them. Tell mom everyday we love her cause our hearts are brolen Ease tell mom I got down here andbyou got up there. See you again mommy Donald granny dad don and diane.



Kathy - June 23, 2021 at 01:53 AM

NH

“ Miss you. Its been 3 years but still feels the same as it did the first time. Xxoo watch over grandma

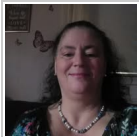


Nicole Hardrick - February 08, 2021 at 07:53 PM

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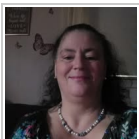
“ Donald well its Christmas and I just put a truck together for Ethan. I know you would of loved playing with it with him. Your little drummer girl is growing up and Mom is crazy protective of her. Almost has bad has granny was with Nicole. Lol you can tell her I said that. Please Hug everyone up there and trust me brother I got everyone down here. Love you. Merry Christmas ☐

Kathy - December 20, 2020 at 04:00 PM



“ HAPPY Birthday. Donald you are missed. Your loss is felt by al of us. Mom misses you so much. I want you to know I will never leave her again. I got things down here brother. But I could use your help from time to time. I love you Donald. It's not the same without you. Going to smoke one using your hemos in honor of your Birthday

Hardrick Kathy - June 28, 2020 at 09:53 PM



“ Hardrick Kathy lit a candle in memory of Donald R. Houston



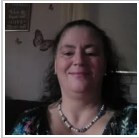
Hardrick Kathy - June 28, 2020 at 09:47 PM

NI

“ Happy Heavenly Birthday Donald! I hope it's wonderful up there and you get to throw the biggest bash ever! You are super missed down here! Love you so much!



Nicole - June 28, 2020 at 03:52 PM



“ Just want you to know You are Truly missed. I know your with us. I feel your presence. Please watch over mom when I can't.

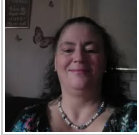
Hardrick Kathy - December 30, 2019 at 06:16 PM

CO

“ Oh Donald, another Christmas without you and it still just doesn't feel right without your presence or your name on my gift list 😞 so many things I see that remind me of you that I want to get for you and I can't and it bugs me. All the things I want to tell you and ask you and show you. The stories I want to hear. I still keep thinking to myself wow I can't believe he's really not here anymore. And it seems to just still leave me speechless and mind blowing I guess you could say. We just miss you in the household and I'm always worrying about grandma extra more now that your not there to to take care of her and keep her company. I hope u watch over her and give her peace of mind and comfort as I know she hurts and misses you every day. Love you bruncler oh and please keep the snow away if possible thanks 😞



Cole - December 12, 2019 at 01:46 AM

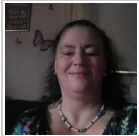


“ Donald I'm sure you know Rodney has come home to you. I know he's up there with Joe, Lucy, Trixie and Guinea. Sure do miss him already. Please look over Mom. I know it's not easy losing Rodney. Expecially since she felt like it was the last thing of yours she was holding on to. Be with her. Let here Feel your peace. I love you so much brother. You are Missed!!!!



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**Hardrick Kathy** - October 23, 2019 at 02:29 PM

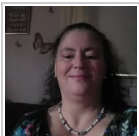


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**Hardrick Kathy** - October 20, 2019 at 08:31 PM



“ My brother, I miss you so much. Mom misses you even more. Your presence is missed expecially this time of year. Will be thinking of you when I carve my pumpkin this year. Say hi to everyone for me. Please tell granny Happy Birthday for me. We love you all. Watch over Mom. Let her feel your presence. I Know you're there with her.  
♥Love always your big sister♥♥♥♥♥♥♥♥

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**Hardrick Kathy** - October 20, 2019 at 08:30 PM

NI

“ Happy Birthday in heaven Donald!!! We love you and miss you everyday! Still unbelievable that you are not here, watch over grandma keep her going and comfort her pain hold her up and keep her strong please! I hope ur having a big birthday bash up there like u deserve xxoo



Nicole - June 28, 2019 at 07:18 AM

NI

“ Thinking of you! I guess I'll never run out of tears for you ❤️ miss you tons, watch over grandma as she is missing u too



Nicole - June 20, 2019 at 07:32 PM

Cole Hardrick

“ Just stopping in to let you know that your being thought about and severely missed! Love you 💔💔



Cole Hardrick - May 26, 2019 at 11:51 PM

Cole Hardrick

“ Happy Easter Donald!!! I miss you sooo much its unreal! I still find your passing unbelievable, I can't seem to wrap my head around you no longer being here 😞 it truly hurts my heart and soul. Love u forever and miss you always! Xxoo ❤️



Cole Hardrick - April 22, 2019 at 04:14 PM

Cole  
Hardrick

“ You are Always on my mind everyday! I miss you. I wish u were still here. Knowing your not somewhere in this world living your life drives me crazy to my core. It just is not right! Love you forever and miss you always xxoo ❤️



Cole Hardrick - April 12, 2019 at 09:42 PM

Cole  
Hardrick

“ 😞 I still cant believe u r gone. I miss seeing u and talking to u. Always thinking of u. Love u forever miss u always.



Cole Hardrick - March 25, 2019 at 10:26 PM

Cole  
Hardrick

“ Thinking of you and how much I miss you! Never forgotten and forever loved by so many. Xxoo wish you were here!



Cole Hardrick - March 17, 2019 at 08:53 PM

Cole  
Hardrick

“ Cole Hardrick lit a candle in memory of Donald R. Houston



Cole Hardrick - March 05, 2019 at 06:27 AM

 Cole Hardrick

“ Thinking of you, wishing you were here to laugh and joke around with. Miss you always love you forever. Still feels some what unbelievable, I just never thought it would ve you so soon, I just have to believe that it was for a good reason or better purpose that u left us so soon. Xxoo

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**Cole Hardrick** - March 05, 2019 at 06:27 AM


 Cole Hardrick

“ Cole Hardrick lit a candle in memory of Donald R. Houston



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**Cole Hardrick** - February 12, 2019 at 08:44 PM

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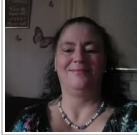
**Cole Hardrick** - February 08, 2019 at 04:06 PM

 Cole Hardrick

“ Miss you so much Donald! Will always miss you and love you. Will always think of you and never forget you! Makes me so sad that you are not here living the long life you deserved. I wish you were still here. I can't believe its been a year already. It doesn't hurt less than what it did before. Hope your living the best life where you are now. Xxoo love you forever

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**Cole Hardrick** - February 08, 2019 at 04:05 PM



“ My brother, I know I left you with a great burden when I left. I am so sorry. My addiction was so bad. I couldn't get a handle on it. I left, I couldn't stay and put the family at risk of watching me kill myself or worse. I truly believed it was the only thing I could do. What I regret the most is not ever having the chance to apologize in person. I felt your presence many times since you passed. I love you baby brother. We had such good times together. I Know you forgave me. I also know you helped bring me and Mom back together. We've talked several times on the phone. Please watch over her. Please be a gaurdian Angel for us all. Also check in on Halie from time to time. She's a handful, so much like me it scares me. Watch over Nicole, She's like I used to be. Taking care of everyone. She really misses you. Tell Grandma and Don I miss them. Miss you.

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**Hardrick Kathy** - February 06, 2019 at 11:44 AM

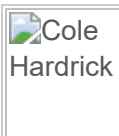


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**Cole Hardrick** - December 25, 2018 at 01:49 AM



“ Merry Christmas Donald! You will be very missed this holiday but not forgotten. I wish I knew that last christmas would have been the last with you, I would have cherished it more and made more memories. It totally sucks and I wish you could come back and be here with us. Your smile, laugh and sense of humor and your over all positive energy is so dearly missed. Hope this Christmas is the best for you yet. We love you! Xxoo miss you always love you forever always in our hearts

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**Cole Hardrick** - December 25, 2018 at 01:45 AM

NI

“ I can't believe in 2 months it will be a year since you been gone already.....some days its easier to put you in the back of my mind to push away the pain of your loss but somedays the pain is stronger than the hold and there's no more push left and the pain is released and I feel your loss all over again until I get the strength to push it down again. I just miss you so much. Everytime I go to grandmas its like ripping a band aid off and I feel it again the missing of your presence. Every holdiay and family event is sad because I know your not there or ever going to be there again and that my heart just hasn't excepted yet. We miss you so much. We love you and nothing will ever change that. Xxoo



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Nicole - December 03, 2018 at 01:09 AM

CO

“ Hope you got to carve a pumpkin up there and get to eat all the halloween candy you want without guilt or consequences. Halloween and doing pumpkins just didn't feel right without you. You were really missed and you will be really missed forever. Please keep watching over grandma. I hope she can feel your presence so she can be a little at ease. I know she is still having a rough time and I can't be with her as much as I want and need too. We love you! And not a day will go by that I won't think of you or remember you. It still doesn't make sense or seem that your really gone. Sometimes I still find it unbelievable. Till next time. Always loved and missed never forgotten Xxoo ❤️



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Cole - November 05, 2018 at 12:21 AM

CO

“ *I just can't get through a day without shedding some tears for you. It sucks so bad that you can't be here. That I can't just bring you back. You should be here. Love you so much! Miss you so much more than I could have even imagined. Xxoo*



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**Cole** - September 25, 2018 at 10:48 AM

CO

“ *Cole lit a candle in memory of Donald R. Houston*



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**Cole** - September 20, 2018 at 08:33 PM

CO

“ *They put your headstone in yesterday. It looks really nice. I think you may have the nicest one in the whole family next to granny. It still feels so unreal that you're not here with us in person anymore. We miss you so much. So so so much. I'm always thinking of you! Xxoo love you and miss you always and forever!*

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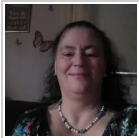
**Cole** - September 20, 2018 at 08:33 PM

CO

“ I still sometimes find myself in disbelief that you are no longer here on this earth living this life with us. Your presence is heavily missed. Your smile your laughter. Your humor. Everything about you. Thinking of you everyday. Love you very much! Keep watching over grandma I need her for the next 30 years if not more! Xxoo



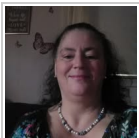
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**Cole** - September 02, 2018 at 11:50 PM



“ Hardrick Kathy lit a candle in memory of Donald R. Houston



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**Hardrick Kathy** - August 18, 2018 at 02:19 PM



“ I was thinking today about all the fun we had over the years. Making up dance routines so we could be on star search. Me babysitting ( not ever allowing you to eat) lol. To all the all the parties and crazy nights and all the time we spent cleaning your room and the basement. The Christmas you and I drank a whole fifth of After shock. I loved you so much. My ❤️ hurts knowing you're not here anymore. One thing I Know for sure is we will see each other again. Hold my spot for me brother. I will be there to join you. That I can promise. Love you little brother.

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**Hardrick Kathy** - August 18, 2018 at 02:17 PM



“ *Miss you so so so much! Thinking of you and love you always and forever. Xxoo*



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**Nicole** - August 07, 2018 at 12:32 AM



“ *Cole Hardrick lit a candle in memory of Donald R. Houston*



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**Cole Hardrick** - July 25, 2018 at 10:27 PM



“ *Thinking of you and how unreal this still is. How hard it still feels. I love you forever and miss always xxoo*



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**Cole Hardrick** - July 23, 2018 at 10:18 PM

Cole  
Hardrick

“ I have to help clean out your room so Leah can have it, but I just can't imagine packing you away for good. It breaks me even thinking about it. I wish I could bring u back. Its so hard to keep moving forward knowing your not in the world to move forward with. I miss you terribly. I just can't get my heart and mind to accept it. I love you Donald and I really hope u are up there somewhere thriving and living it up in the angel life. Xxoo



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Cole Hardrick - July 18, 2018 at 01:48 AM

Cole  
Hardrick

“ ❤️❤️



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Cole Hardrick - July 16, 2018 at 10:54 PM

Cole  
Hardrick

“ I just miss you so much. you just don't realize how much you're going to miss someone until they are not around to not miss if that makes any sense. Each time I think of you I miss you more and more. I miss watching you and the kids play when we went to grandma. I miss talking to you. I just miss your presence your exsistance on this earth. Drives my heart wild knowing your not out somewhere in the world. Love you forever! Wish I had more time to show you just how much! Miss you always! Yeah Im going to do it too lol xxoo haha



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Cole Hardrick - July 12, 2018 at 06:27 PM

 Cole  
Hardrick

“ Hope you had a happy 4th of July and enjoyed the fireworks! You got the best view in the house up there.....It wasn't the same without you. I miss the excitement you had over fireworks. Just like a kid who got a new video game or something Lol We just miss you so much. I can't mend my heart you took a little piece of it with u. I really wish you were here. Or I could hear you. I could use a good laugh. as the days pass the sounds of your laugh, the stories you tell the jokes you cracked get quieter and quieter. I love you. Keep watching over grandma. She needs it. Xxoo



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**Cole Hardrick** - July 06, 2018 at 01:06 PM

 Cole  
Hardrick

“ Happy Birthday Donald! Hope you are having the time of your life up there. Miss you terribly! Love you always and forever! Xxoo



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**Cole Hardrick** - June 28, 2018 at 08:54 PM

 Cole  
Hardrick

“ Missing you soooo much! Wish you were still here. I hope you enjoyed the benefit, I did it was really nice tho it would have been better if you were there in person with us. You are such a great person I hope you realize that, how special you really were how much of an impact that you left on everyone you met. I hope my kids grow up to be as kind and caring and gentle as you were! We love you!



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**Cole Hardrick** - June 25, 2018 at 12:13 AM

Cole  
Hardrick

“ *Always missing you and thinking of you.  
Wishing you were here. Wishing I could bring  
you back or change the way things went.  
Love you*



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Cole Hardrick - June 16, 2018 at 12:29 PM

Cole  
Hardrick

“ *Thinking of you hard today, sitting around the fire doesn't feel the  
same as it once did. Missed you terribly and miss you always! Love  
you!*



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Cole Hardrick - June 03, 2018 at 02:36 AM

Cole  
Hardrick

“ ❤️

Death changes everything!  
Time changes nothing...  
I still miss the sound of your voice,  
the wisdom in your advice,  
the stories of your life  
and just being in your presence.  
So, no, time changes nothing.  
I miss you as much today  
as I did the day you died.

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Cole Hardrick - May 30, 2018 at 03:21 PM

Cole  
Hardrick

“ Really Really Really missing you man! I love you!



Cole Hardrick - May 30, 2018 at 03:20 PM

NI

“ Nicole lit a candle in memory of Donald R. Houston



Nicole - May 17, 2018 at 01:44 PM

NI

“ Thinking of you wish you were here! Miss you always love you forever!



Nicole - May 13, 2018 at 09:25 PM

NI

“ I'm not sure why I come and post here, if you have a computer up there you wouldn't even know how to get to it anyways unless it is a magic voice command computer lol well maybe you can find a computer savy Angel that will show you how to log on and look at this if you can't figure it out 😭😭😭 you grandma and pat were all the same when it comes to technology lol I'm not even sure how we are supposed to go on without you. I mean I get it no matter who it is life still has to go on but I'm just having a hard time. I think of you everyday sometimes all day. It's a feeling that I have never felt before. Just still feels like I just got the news. I can't believe your not here anymore. The longer I go without seeing you seems like the harder it is hitting. I think the weather too is part of it because I know you would have been so excited about it finally warming up outside. You couldn't wait for it to warm up. One of my favorite things was to see you get excited over things.....you were just like a little kid with the way you got excited and I loved it. Especially over fireworks haha you loved fireworks. I know you were not all about being in your feelings or into any of the lovey dovey stuff but I hope you know that I love you very much. And thank you for everything you have ever done for this family, for the household and for Grandma. I wish I could hug you. You were so special in many ways and you never even realized how much so. Xxoo



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Nicole - May 10, 2018 at 10:44 AM

NI

“ Missed you a lot today.....miss you a lot everyday!!! ❤️❤️❤️ xxoo



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Nicole - May 08, 2018 at 10:44 PM

NI

“ Nicole lit a candle in memory of Donald R. Houston



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Nicole - May 02, 2018 at 01:22 PM

NI

“ You would be excited over this weather. I can see You coming home from work cracking a cold one, and getting started on your yard work/projects. Makes me miss you even more because I know the summers will never be the same. No more outdoor movies or jams outside by the fire because only you knew how to hook that stuff up lol you were so excited about fixing the projector screen and getting it ready for this summer. I really hope heaven is everything you imagined and you have evwrything you need and everything you truly wanted because you deserved so much more than what you had here. I'll love you forever and miss you always! I'll call you when I get ready to leave

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Nicole - May 02, 2018 at 01:20 PM

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Nicole - March 27, 2018 at 02:09 PM



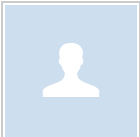
“ I love you Donald and I miss you so much and I miss you more as each day passes without you. I still just can not believe you are not here. You're on my mind everyday. I really wish I could conversate with you or run up there and bring you back. Until I get too see you in person I guess my dreams are good enough even tho when I wake up it hurts all over again I enjoy seeing you happy and laughing and telling your stories and cracking your jokes.

Nicole - March 27, 2018 at 02:08 PM



He loves you too..

PHIL - April 03, 2018 at 09:37 PM



“ My Soul Lives On Blanket was purchased for the family of Donald R. Houston.



February 19, 2018 at 08:46 PM

PH

“ Donald

*Ive asked myself why, why has your passing affected me so much ?  
Our family has lost so many people over the years , and each time  
the emotional pain*

*Is immense. But your different .Why does it hurt so much, why do i  
cry without warning ? Is it my own mortality, is it because your my  
little brother and you were suppose to be here long past me or  
because i couldnt save you...in these days since you passed , ive  
watched your many friends ,coworkers, cry and listened to the  
stories of devotion and love you showed them and our family and i  
realized why we all feel so much pain...why we miss u and will  
always miss you so much. You were everything we all wished we  
could be ..you were rare and special.,you were a joke when we  
were down ,you were a neverending laugh when times were tough.  
You without a second thought worked so hard and gave everything  
you had to take care of our mother you loved so much...you saw the  
good in everything..you loved your friends , your family, your music  
and wow you were so talented at music..from the time they brought  
you home you were special Donald. everyone just liked being near  
you ,your happiness your smile..your innocence. You always had  
big plans , ideas ..always the dreamer . i guess it was silly to think  
god would let us keep you forever , you were too special . We love  
you because you were rare , we wished we could be like you ,we  
wish we could see your beautiful smiling face one more time and  
hold you and never let go.. I will never say goodbye because i want  
you to be with me foever..I am so proud to say your my brother ...  
I Love You little brother*

*Phil Hardrick*

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**PHIL** - February 14, 2018 at 06:17 PM

AH

*Beautiful beyond words.*

Alice Hadrich - February 16, 2018 at 10:10 AM

SH

*Well said!! If everyone looked at life like Donald this world would be a better place. Until we meet again.*

Sue Van Hoey - February 17, 2018 at 11:18 PM



*Wonderfully said cousin, every single word so very true.*

Art Hennessey - March 01, 2018 at 07:14 AM

MH

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Mike Hennessey - February 13, 2018 at 02:37 PM

MH

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Mike Hennessey - February 13, 2018 at 02:36 PM

SM

“ Words will never express the shattered heart i have for your passing my best friend. I remember the 1st day i met you, You where jamming in the garage to Bon Jovi's Runaway blasting out of your dads PA. It changed my life forever. You and i always had a bond that was inseparable. Your drumming ability and my guitar playing just was unmatched by any band in the area. We smoked everyone Donnie. And we knew it, But never bragged and stayed humble. Not many people knew you the way i do buddy. And that's what is going to make it so hard to cope with this. How and when my mind will grasp onto the thought that i will never hear your voice calling for me to come and jam. Never hear your voice to go out for breakfast. Never hear your voice asking my opinion on stuff before you made an investment. I hope the good lord had a good reason for taking you from us so soon. I love our lord more than anything but the reason he took you from me/us will never make sense to me because in my eyes and through this life, I/We needed you more. My heart and soul will be crushed for eternity. You beat them golden drums good for heaven's audience Donnie. Save some energy for me my brother. Your gonna need it when we see each other again. Much love for Don's family.

Good night my friend. I'll miss you forever :(

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**Steve Moutard** - February 13, 2018 at 12:49 PM



“ I am still in complete shock! Donald and all the guys welcomed me into the group with much love. He was in our wedding. I loved sitting in the garage watching the guys jam. Always had a smile on his face and you couldn't help but to smile anytime he was around! Keeping all in my thoughts and prayers. Much love

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**Jill McAlister** - February 13, 2018 at 07:31 AM

Ashley  
Hayes

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Ashley Hayes - February 12, 2018 at 10:23 PM

SF

“ It was a great honor to have know you. You were a great friend r.i.p  
Don I'll miss you alot

Scott Frink - February 12, 2018 at 08:04 PM

Sandy  
Hennesse

“ You Will be so missed by so many. RIP  
Donald, we love you.



Sandy Hennessey - February 12, 2018 at 06:59 PM

AH

“ Come to his aid O saints of God, come meet  
him angels of the Lord. Receive his soul O  
holy ones, present him now to God most high.  
Grant him eternal rest O Lord and let  
perpetual light shine upon him.



Alice Hadrich - February 11, 2018 at 12:51 PM



PH

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**PHIL** - February 10, 2018 at 04:29 PM

PH

“ 1 file added to the album DONALD



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**PHIL** - February 10, 2018 at 03:25 PM