



Mr. Donald John "Joe" Sullivan

June 3, 1950 - July 14, 2017

Donald John "Joe" Sullivan, age 67, of Kimball Township, passed away on July 14, 2017.

He was born on June 3, 1950, in Detroit, to the late John and Sybil Sullivan.

Donald was a heavy equipment mechanic and owned and operated Melco Equipment Company. He was a very involved member of the St. Clair County Farm Museum and was an award-winning truck and tractor enthusiast.

He is survived by his daughters and sons-in-law, Donna (Thomas Klebba) Sullivan of Clyde Township, Deborah (John) Sullivan of St. Clair, Dawn (Pat Jehl) Sullivan of Port Huron Township, grandchildren, Danielle (Fiancé Jordan Brown) Herr, Ryan Herr, Kaeleigh Herr, Emma Sullivan, Jack Sullivan, Devin (Bubba) Hilliker, Mason (Chip) Hilliker and Madison (Cheezit) Hilliker, special companion, Alice Blakeslee, 4 brothers, Bob Sullivan, Bill Sullivan, Ron Sullivan and Paul Sullivan, sister and brother-in-law, Jackie Sullivan and Larry Callihan, sister, Sharon Tchir, and several nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends.

Donald was preceded in death by 2 sisters, Pat and Mary.

Memorial services will be 8:00pm Thursday, July 20, 2017, in the Jowett Funeral Home, 1634 Lapeer Avenue, Port Huron. Reverend Max Amstutz will officiate. Visitation will take place from 2:00pm to 8:00pm in the funeral home. Memorial tributes may be made to the Charity of the Donor's choice.

To view the obituary and share memories, please visit www.jowettfuneraldirectors.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 20. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Jowett Funeral Home and Cremation Service - Port Huron
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Tribute Wall

EL

“ *Eric Laskowski lit a candle in memory of Mr. Donald John "Joe" Sullivan*



Eric Laskowski - July 20, 2017 at 09:09 AM

RU

“ *We were always happy to see Don for breakfast at Theos. He always had a joke for the day that started our day off on a happy note. He was a great guy and friend. We will miss him more than we can say. Our sympathy to his family and Alice. May God give you peace.*
Ralph and Karen Ulrich

Ralph and Karen Ulrich - July 20, 2017 at 08:21 AM

FI

“ *from all of us at Yale Steel, Inc. purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Mr. Donald John "Joe" Sullivan.*



from all of us at Yale Steel, Inc. - July 20, 2017 at 07:37 AM

MP

“ To Debbie, Donna, Dawn and family and Alice: Don was a good friend always quick with a joke or tease. I will miss that! He loved the Farm Museum and worked hard to pull us through some dark times. He helped to grow and maintain a quality collection of equipment and artifacts. He will be missed...

Mark Schwab, Farm Museum President - July 20, 2017 at 06:17 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Donald John "Joe" Sullivan.



July 19, 2017 at 06:13 PM

TA

“ I have waited on this amazing man for years...he truly was great! Always had a joke and made me smile, my prayers for the family and girlfriend while you all go threw this terrible tragic loss.

Toni Achatz - July 19, 2017 at 12:07 PM

KK

“ So sorry, Don was a great friend. I knew him from the old truck hobby. He will be missed! Kelly and Diane Kuechman Owosso Michigan

kelly kuechman - July 19, 2017 at 11:48 AM



“ 45 files added to the album Life Tributes



Jowett Funeral Home and Cremation Service - July 19, 2017 at 11:47 AM

DS

“ Dad.... Words can't describe the way I feel!!!! I know I have lost my first love... You have always been my inspiration, my counselor, my teacher my best friend !!!! Because of you, I am who I am!!! Dad.... you are the light of my life !!! Keep Our Father entertained with your wit! We all have and will miss you deeply! Rest In Peace Dad! #2

debbie sullivan - July 19, 2017 at 07:00 AM

KW

“ Alice, I'm very sorry for your loss. I enjoyed it very much when you stopped by last year. Always enjoyed talking to him on the phone. I will miss him.

Ken Loewenhagen Dale Wi. - July 18, 2017 at 09:53 PM

JS

“ So very sorry about your loss. We are thinking of you and your family during this very difficult time.



Jen, Brian, Hunter and Mckenna Stehlin - July 18, 2017 at 04:34 PM

CN

“ Dear Deb, John and kids. We are thinking of you all and sending our thoughts and prayers. Love Cathy and Ted

Cathy Short Nelson - July 17, 2017 at 10:07 PM

VM

“ Oh Dear God. Debbie Doo. Mick and I are so very sorry and are praying for each one of you! Love Vickie Albert and Mick Horan

Vick N Mick - July 17, 2017 at 09:04 PM

MJ

“ Donna, Debbie, Dawn, and Sullivan Family
You are all in our thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time. Don was more than a great friend for years and years - a fellow truck driver & mechanic; a source of information when we had equipment issues; a customer when we operated the repair service; always ready with the jokes, one-liners, and the friendly teasing. He was so proud of you girls and your kids. Don is one of the best of the Best, and we are grateful for the personal friendship and business connection we shared. He will be greatly missed and always remembered when we see an antique truck or tractor.
Carl (Bill) and Marcia Jahn, Smiths Creek

Marcia Jahn - July 17, 2017 at 08:54 PM

SA

“ *Debbie you and your family are in our thought's.
Geary and Sandy Anglebrandt*

sandra - July 17, 2017 at 07:36 PM


JA

“ *Big brother Joe...hard to grasp you are gone from this life. You left behind three lovely daughters, and a farm museum that will live on for others. And all those corny jokes, and the stories we all heard over and over.*

One of my favorite memories - and graduating together in 1969, we shared many - was changing the transmission after school on Friday before we went out that night. Mostly with my girlfriends, I might add. Or you driving the "pig wagon" ar 85 mph when we blew a tire, with every younger sibling in the car. Not to worry, we changed that tire in a jiffy and then you had to drive 90 mph to make up for lost time. Seriously. But I always felt safer because of you...which, in our family, meant a lot.

You were complicated Joe, even though you swore you hadn't changed one iota in 50 years. To me, your spirit persists; you are not gone from my memories or heart. Peace and much love big brother...

Jackie - July 17, 2017 at 07:21 PM

 Jackie Koch

“ *Our thoughts and prayers to the family and Alice. Don was like one of the family to all of us here in Hamburg, NY. He will always be with us, we will miss him, our thoughts are with you. Wayne, Jackie, Tiffany & Allie Koch*

Jackie Koch - July 17, 2017 at 06:49 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Donald John "Joe" Sullivan.*



July 17, 2017 at 04:32 PM



“ *We wanted to send our thoughts and prayers to the entire family and Alice! We have always had a great love for Don and will remember him as such a great story teller and good friend. We will miss him so very much! God bless him!*

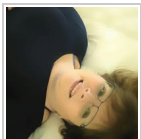
Dr. Robert Thomas and Melissa Hawkins

Robert Thomas D.C. - July 17, 2017 at 09:27 AM



“ *I will miss you my dear friend, you were truly a great man*

Karie Fay - July 16, 2017 at 09:43 AM



“ *Proud to be called a Beakerette by Joe ❤️ He was such a large part of my childhood. Always ready with a joke or to pick on us Theut kids. You are all in our prayers during this difficult time.*

Tammy Theut - July 15, 2017 at 04:06 PM