



William D. Thurmond

August 31, 1935 - January 4, 2025

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William D. Thurmond, known to family and friends as Donn, age 89, of Waterford, passed away peacefully on Saturday, January 4, 2025. Born on August 31, 1935, in Highland Park, MI, Donn was the son of Perry and Mary Thurmond. On September 6, 1958, he married the love of his life, Patsy Richardson, in Highland Park, MI.

A devoted member of Woodside Bible Church in White Lake, Donn was known for his loving and caring nature as well as his delightful sense of humor. He retired from General Motors in 1999 after retirement he enjoyed working with the children at Sherman Middle School as a lunch room supervisor. and was an active member of Gideons International. In his free time, Donn enjoyed cheering for the Detroit Tigers and Lions and spending quality time with his friends and family.

Donn is survived by his daughters, Pam Morris and Missi (Chris) Daul; his grandchildren, Savanna (Joe), Jazzmyn (Ben), Logan, and Addy; and his great-grandchild, Gianni.

A visitation will be held at 10:00 AM, followed by the funeral service at 11:00

AM on Saturday, January 11, 2025, at Woodside Bible Church, 9000 Highland Rd., White Lake, MI 48386, with Pastor Rob Bentz officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to Woodside Bible Church of White Lake. www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 11. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Woodside Bible Church
9000 Highland Rd.
White Lake, MI 48386
<https://woodsidebible.org/locations/white-lake/>

Service

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Tribute Wall

SA

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I already miss your love, laughter, and smiles. It's hard to believe there's a life to live without you in it. Save some coney dogs for me xoxo love you mostest.

Savanna - January 11, 2025 at 06:44 PM

ST

“ *To the worlds best grandpa:*

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Starvanna - January 10, 2025 at 11:36 PM

SS

“ *Sally Andy Cieply & Clint Mandee Sutton purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of William D. Thurmond.*



Sally Andy Cieply & Clint Mandee Sutton - January 10, 2025 at 09:42 PM

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“ *Sally Andy Cieply & Clint Mandee Sutton planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William D. Thurmond.*

Sally Andy Cieply & Clint Mandee Sutton - January 10, 2025 at 09:42 PM

LK

“ Love Dad, Mike, Rachel, Mike & the kids purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of William D. Thurmond.



Love Dad, Mike, Rachel, Mike & the kids - January 10, 2025 at 07:26 PM

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Love Dad, Mike, Rachel, Mike & the kids - January 10, 2025 at 07:26 PM

MG

“ Pam and Missi,
Well sorry doesn't say it. I know you already miss your dad. I knew him from the time I was 8 or 9. He started dating my sister. Who he latter married. Such a great guy. He loved all of you guys so much. One story I can tell you about us when I was about 10, I was confined to the dinning room table after Sunday dinner. I could not leave the table until I ate all of my cauliflower. (I hated it). After a few minutes your dad came in the room popped the cauliflower in his mouth and I was free from confinement.
I hate that we are not able to attend Saturday. We will be thinking about you. I know if he was here we would still be talking about lions foot ball. I do miss his conversations. Go Lions!

Mike Gliner - January 10, 2025 at 01:28 PM

GF

“ *Glinter Family purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of William D. Thurmond.*



Glinter Family - January 09, 2025 at 04:03 PM

DG

“ *Donn became my brother'n law 31 years ago. He and Pat welcomed me to the family with open arms. We shared a lot of jokes back and forth with each other. He talked about his church and God. He loved his family well. He will be missed. Our loss is Heaven's gain.*

Dara Glinter - January 08, 2025 at 10:13 PM

MA

“ *Mark A. purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of William D. Thurmond.*



Mark A. - January 08, 2025 at 06:31 PM



“ *Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of William D. Thurmond.*



January 07, 2025 at 08:22 PM

JY

“ *Mr. Thurmond was my Sunday school teacher growing up at First Baptist. I absolutely adored him and Mrs Thurmond. He always had a smile on his face and a way to make you smile or laugh. The love of Jesus shined brightly through him, his love for others was evident. He will definitely be missed but I know they are celebrating in heaven having him home with the Lord!* ”

Jen Yahner - January 07, 2025 at 08:54 AM

BW

Donn & Pat were our friends of ours for all the years they were at FBC. They were still working with youth when our granddaughters came along & influenced them to live a Christian life. He is already missed so much.

Bonnie Warner - January 07, 2025 at 10:25 AM



When I think of my decades at First Baptist/Woodside Bible Church, I think of Donn and Pat. They were always a source of joy and laughter. Donn's sense of humor and joy of serving the Lord were a true blessing to FBC and all those fortunate enough to enjoy his friendship. He will be missed but we are blessed to have the assurance that he is with the Lord and we will see him again.

Rochelle Smith - January 11, 2025 at 11:33 AM