



Donald Ardell Deets

January 20, 1943 - June 30, 2017

On June 30, 2017, Donald Ardell Deets, 74, of McCandless Township, passed away. Beloved husband of 51 years to Mary Lynne Deets; loving father of Jennifer Lynne (Eric V.) Deets Russ, Tracey Anne (Nicholas) Deets DeLillo & Douglas Alan (Lauren) Deets; son of Irene J. and the late John Lester Deets; brother of William (Karen) Deets; grandfather of Kendall & Grayson Russ and Jackson & Lucas Deets

Relatives and Friends received Monday July 3, 11-1pm at Simons Funeral Home, Inc., 7720 Perry Highway, where a funeral service will be held Monday at 1pm.

Don was a loving husband, father, and grandfather. He loved music, electronics, silly dad jokes, beer, and epic backyard 4th of July firework displays. He was goofy, sarcastic, logical, precise, and caring. His life's work was education. He taught Chemistry at Shaler High School for 30 plus years, followed by many years of real estate education for RAMP, as well as contributing to the work of Dr. Harry Wachs, and Dr. Hans Lessman in the vision training field. He even made his mark for a short time as "Don the science guy" at the Carnegie Science Museum. He made every moment a teachable moment, and left an impression on all of his students, young and old.

Don fought an incredibly heroic battle in the last years of his life. His family will remember him lovingly, and draw comfort from the incredible strength he displayed in his final days. May he forever be at peace, and remembered fondly by his friends and relatives.

A favorite quote of Don's, and a philosophy he lived by, "The cure for boredom is curiosity. There is no cure for curiosity."

Please in lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Good Samaritan Hospice 146 Neely School Road, Wexford, PA 15090-7537

Cemetery Details

none

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 3. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Simons Funeral Home, Inc.
7720 Perry Highway
Pittsburgh, PA 15237

Funeral Service

JUL 3. 1:00 PM.

Chapel of Simons Funeral Home

Tribute Wall

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“*Mary, So Sorry to hear of the death of Don, We did not know it till today. God Bless you and your family.*

Shirley and Robert Pearce - August 28, 2018 at 09:02 PM

 Dawn
Marie

“*Sincere condolences to Mary Lynne and family. Don was an excellent instructor at our School and loved by our students as he shared his knowledge (in meticulous detail)! Love and prayers!*

Dawn Parasolick

Dawn Marie - July 03, 2017 at 07:00 AM



“*Mary Lynne and children,*

Blessings and prayers at this difficult time for you. I'm sure he is teaching more students how to 'buy' in heaven.

Victoria Lowry - July 02, 2017 at 03:30 PM



“*Victoria Lowry lit a candle in memory of Donald Ardell Deets*



Victoria Lowry - July 02, 2017 at 03:23 PM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Donald Ardell Deets.*



July 02, 2017 at 08:48 AM



“ *Mary Lynne & Family~Thinking of you and your family and sharing our prayers and sympathy at the loss of your beloved husband & father~The Agostinelli Family*

Roxane Agostinelli - June 30, 2017 at 08:51 PM