



## Donald E. Orr

October 8, 2014

Age 69.

Beloved husband of Jane (nee Bajor).

Dearest father of Ronald Orr and Jennifer (nee Orr) Vernon.

Cherished grandfather "Papa" of Ian Orr and Natalie Vernon.

Dear son of Edward and the late Marie Orr.

Dear brother in law of James Bajor, Sylvia and Lee Janis Bernadine and Jim Chesnut.

Dearest uncle of Bridget (Brian), Bryan, Philip (Rebecca) Jeremy and Lisa.

Dear great uncle of Grace and cousin of the Monticello family.

Active usher of St. Jane Frances de Chantal Catholic Church and a member of V.F.W. Post 9021.

Bus driver for Chippewa Valley Schools.



# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 12. 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Mandziuk & Son Funeral Directors, Inc. - Sterling Heights  
3801 18 Mile Road  
Sterling Heights, MI 48314  
(586) 997-3838

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## Instate

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St. Jane Frances deChantal Catholic Church  
38750 Ryan Rd  
Sterling Heights, MI

## Mass of the Christian Burial

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OCT 13. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Sterling Heights, MI

# Tribute Wall



“ *Donald E. Orr*

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October 23, 2023 at 04:00 AM



“ *Donald E. Orr*

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January 06, 2023 at 05:24 AM

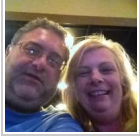


“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donald E. Orr.*



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October 13, 2014 at 09:09 AM



“ So many fond memories of Don. I remember growing up and spending the night with my best friend Ron, his son. I guess I was to polite sometimes and every time I asked if I could please have more of something he would say, " I dont know can you." He would say this everytime and over the years I began to understand that what he meant was, I was a guest in his house and I didnt need to ask. Thats just the way he was.

More recently, I enjoyed some adult beverages with him at my parents house down the street on July 4th. After lighting off some fireworks, we sat down to drink some more. I looked outside and the blown off firework pile had caught on fire. I jumped up and Don, without missing a beat, handed me a beer and said, Use this! I remember laying in bed that night laughing out load.

*RIP Don, you were one of a kind*

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**Jim Hielscher** - October 13, 2014 at 07:11 AM

RB

“ Dear Jane, Ron, Jennifer and Family:

*My heartfelt condolences on hearing of Don's passing.*

*As a networking associate from Kmart Corporation during the 80's, 90's and early 2000's, I met Don through the MultiState Tax Executives Group as well as the Tax Executives Institute.*

*He taught us tax compliance, planning and research strategies saving tax dollars for our company's and organizations. He shared tax knowledge and mentored many along our careers,*

*Rest assured, Don always had a smile on his face and laughter to share with all who met and networked with him. He was a joy always to be with*

*Be always strong knowing he shared his life not only with you but his career with many. And we loved him for it!*

*Rich Bosler*

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**Richard J. Bosler** - October 12, 2014 at 01:41 PM

AP

“ *Our thoughts and prayers go out to Jane, Ron, Jennifer, Ian, and Natalie. To his extended families (Orr, Bajor, St. Jane, Sandpiper, VFW, etc.): Our hearts are with you. May you find peace and comfort during this difficult time.*

*Love and Prayers,*

*Joseph, Angela, Carlson, & Jack Perrini*

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**Angela Perrini** - October 12, 2014 at 01:17 PM

RG

“ I am sorry for your loss. Don was truly a wonderful person. His smile and personality could light up a room. I will always remember the great times we spent together at St Jane. Your family was always so kind and helpful to our family and I thank you for that. To live in the hearts we leave behind is not to die. The memory of Don's beautiful spirit will live on in his friends and family's hearts. With deepest sympathy.

*Rick Greenup  
Suttons Bay MI*

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**Rick Greenup** - October 12, 2014 at 08:06 AM

BS

“ Don and I met on a plane to California for a Tax conference over thirty years ago.  
We have been friends ever since.  
We were instructors at the annual sales tax school at Indiana University at Purdue for many, many years.  
Don was a very frequent speaker at various tax organization. In retirement, we still met for lunch.  
Without a doubt, he will be sorely missed by many people.  
Jane, Mary and I share your grief but we celebrate his life.  
*Bill and Mary Saad*

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**bill saad** - October 12, 2014 at 07:36 AM

MP

“ Jane - I am so sad to have heard about Don's passing. I want you to know that I am keeping you and your family in my thoughts. Take care of yourself. *Mary Ann Pichalski*



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**mary ann pichalski** - October 11, 2014 at 08:06 PM



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October 11, 2014 at 04:38 PM



“ *My brother in law, Don, was one of those once-in-a-lifetime people some of us are lucky enough to get to know. Don was welcomed into our family over forty years ago. He was smart, witty, caring and really enjoyed life. He brought more laughter and fun into our lives than any family truly deserves. He was always there for us. Of all sad things we may endure, the saddest is in saying farewell. Don, to have had you in my life is to have experienced a very special gift. There will always be a special place in my heart for the one I call BROTHER.*

*RIP*

*Love, Sylvia*

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**Sylvia Bajor Janis** - October 11, 2014 at 02:33 PM



*He was one of a kind and we were truly blessed having Don in our family!*

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**Bernadine Chesnut** - October 11, 2014 at 06:40 PM

JM

“ John, Carol, Sr. Teresa Maria, Megan and Joe Monticello purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Donald E. Orr.



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**John, Carol, Sr. Teresa Maria, Megan and Joe Monticello -**  
October 11, 2014 at 10:38 AM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Donald E. Orr.



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October 11, 2014 at 10:22 AM

JM

“ Jane, Uncle Ed, Ron, Jennifer and Natalie,

*Our family is so sorry for your loss. Don was a great son, husband and father. He was also our cousin and oldest brother. He taught his family by example with all of us trying to meet his standards in love, humor and work. He provided insight, wisdom and competition with the annual wine making and 'Antonio Award' selection. He cherished his younger cousins by keeping a loving Facebook-eye on their postings and not forgetting his convent cousin. Don was an inspiration to me and will be forever in my heart.*

*The Lexington Legacy Golf outing will have another member to be missed, honored, and forever remembered.*

*- John, Carol, Sr. Teresa Marie, Megan and Joe Monticello*

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**John Monticello -** October 11, 2014 at 09:59 AM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Donald E. Orr.*



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October 11, 2014 at 09:30 AM



“ *Don's friends from Visteon purchased the A New Sunrise Spray for the family of Donald E. Orr.*



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**Don's friends from Visteon** - October 10, 2014 at 04:51 PM



“ *My condolences to Don's family...a great man and a great colleague...he has left us way too soon. Glen Fandl*

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**Glen Fandl** - October 10, 2014 at 04:06 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Donald E. Orr.*



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October 10, 2014 at 12:14 PM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Donald E. Orr.*



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October 10, 2014 at 10:58 AM



“ *Don was a man I only came to know in the last year and I found out that you never stop learning about life and how to handle yourself. It was Don who showed me new things and he did this by just being himself. Even I, did not realize he was "teaching" me to be a better person, but, in his passing and my own reflecting on what a gentleman he was, I realized how much I was going to miss him. What a kind-hearted man.*



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**Dan Hansen** - October 10, 2014 at 10:36 AM



“ *Don was such a kind and gentle man, a person I will truly miss. He always had a smile on his face and was such a pleasure to be with. He will be sorely missed. Chuck O'Connor*

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**ChucI O'Connor** - October 10, 2014 at 10:29 AM



“ *My condolences on the passing of Don*

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**Annette** - October 10, 2014 at 08:53 AM

MT

“ Don.....you will be sadly missed.....your humour and friendship will remain with Les and I until we meet again. We send love and strength to Jane and her family thru our prayers.  
Les & Max Taffinder

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**Maxine Taffinder** - October 10, 2014 at 08:41 AM

JW

“ "One in a Million". Jane, my prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time. Don will be truly missed by the St Gregory Class of 1962. He was our "SOUL". "Til we meet again, dear friend, May God hold you in the palm of HIS hand".  
Jane Brennan Watters, Friend, Neighbor, Classmate

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**Jane Brennan Watters** - October 10, 2014 at 08:20 AM

WS

“ Sympathy's to Don's family,what a great neighbor and friend you will truly be missed,sending our heart felt sympathy and many prayers for his family.We will miss terribly and his big smile that he always wore.  
Warmly Frank and Wendy Scaramuzzino



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**wendy scaramuzzino** - October 10, 2014 at 07:29 AM



“ Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Donald E. Orr.



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October 10, 2014 at 12:17 AM



“ *Truly Beloved Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald E. Orr.*



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October 09, 2014 at 11:27 PM



“ *Dearest Jane and Family,  
My prayers are with you all. He was a wonderful person and I am so glad I was able to be part of this great family. My prayers and thoughts are with you all.  
Love Nancy Janis*

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**Nancy Janis** - October 09, 2014 at 07:13 PM



“ *Sawyer Services purchased the Deepest Faith for the family of Donald E. Orr.*



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**Sawyer Services** - October 09, 2014 at 04:50 PM



“ *My thoughts are with you Jane at this difficult time. Don always had a smile on his face and always remembered his JOTD he would send to his friends. He will be greatly missed by all*



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**Anita DeGumbia** - October 09, 2014 at 02:07 PM

TK

“ Prayers and thoughts to all the Orr family. Don was one of those special people you meet and instantly like. Although miles and years could keep us apart it was just like we'd talked the day before every time we met. He was loved and liked by all. God Bless.  
Tom Kuder

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Tom Kuder - October 09, 2014 at 01:58 PM

LM

“ Jane, Jennifer, & Natalie,  
My heart is filled with sadness. Dad was a great man, with a very warm heart. My fondest memory of dad is of my first visit over, 14 years ago, and he got behind his bar in the basement, and introduced his wine to me :) I'll drink the bottle he gave to me in Lexington, this weekend in his honor. Love you all. Thoughts and prayers are with you from my entire family.



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Lisa Montalto - October 09, 2014 at 01:26 PM

PE

“ Peggy lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Orr



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Peggy - October 09, 2014 at 01:13 PM

PE

*Jane, Eddie, Jennifer , Natalie & Ron  
We are so sorry for your loss, You lost a son, husband, dad & grandpa, but we all lost a good friend who was like are family. You can't pick your family but you can pick your friends & Don was one of the best. I think I can say this for everyone that knew Don, he will be missed greatly. we always had great times with him. So Don check everything out up there & when we all are together again, you can show us around. Love you All.  
Peg & John*

Peggy - October 09, 2014 at 01:22 PM

KN

*“ Jane, Jennifer and Natalie, I am sending you hugs and prayers during this difficult time. Don was a great guy, who I was blessed to know the past 30 years. He will be greatly missed. He was truly a gentleman, who knew how to make you laugh, giggle and smile. I'll treasure all of times together on the golf course, at conferences and at red wing games.  
Love, Kellianne*



kellianne nagy - October 09, 2014 at 12:45 PM

GM

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George Monticello - October 09, 2014 at 12:22 PM

GM

*Don, THE Best Man on my and Michelle's wedding day. A man who will be sorely missed.*

George Monticello - October 09, 2014 at 12:25 PM