



Donald E. McCluckie

June 10, 1938 - November 26, 2025

Donald (Don) Eugene McCluckie, born June 10, 1938, of Aurora, Illinois, passed away peacefully on November 26, 2025, at the age of 87. On August 23, 1958, Don married the love of his life, JoAnn (Cushing) McCluckie, with whom he shared 67 wonderful years of marriage.

Don attended Bradley University and went on to become a mechanical engineer. He dedicated 40 years of his career to Richards-Wilcox in Aurora, Illinois, where he worked from 1960 until his retirement in 2000. His career was marked by hard work, ingenuity, and a deep commitment to his profession.

He was a longtime member of Blessed Sacrament Church in North Aurora, Illinois, where his faith and community were central to his life. Don was also active in many organizations including the Lion's Club, Holy Angels Food Pantry, Meals on Wheels, and the Bums Club (a 25-year Richards-Wilcox group).

Beyond his professional and volunteer work, Don was an avid golfer, an amazing softball player, and a dedicated bowler. He loved sharing music and laughter, often leading karaoke sing-a-longs at Constitution House, where his energy and spirit lifted those around him. Most of all, he cherished time with his family and loved attending all of his grandchildren's events, sporting or

otherwise, celebrating their accomplishments with pride.

He is survived by his devoted wife, JoAnn; his daughters, Annette (Gary) Soris and Brenda (George) Malina; his sister, Suzanne (McCluckie) Warning; his sisters-in-law Mary Punke, Janice Feltzen, and Carol (Ed) Walker; his brother-in-law John (Karen) Cushing; six beloved grandchildren: Brandon (Katie) Soris of Aurora, Illinois; Christopher Soris of Chicago, Illinois; Shawn Soris of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Kalie (Sean) Fichtel of Aurora, Illinois; George (Ashley) Malina of Mt. Juliet, Tennessee; and Collin Malina (Kate Troutman) of Chicago, Illinois; and six cherished great-grandchildren: Adam Soris, Patrick Soris, Emily Soris, Michael Soris, George C. Malina, and Henry Malina and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, James McCluckie; his mother, Elizabeth (Parker) McCluckie; and his brothers-in-law Robert Warning, James Cushing, Jr., and Dennis Punke.

Special thanks are extended to First Health Hospice for their compassionate care during Don's final days.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Donald's memory to Blessed Sacrament Church in North Aurora, Illinois or to the American Cancer Society.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, December 2, 2025, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at The Daleiden Mortuary (220 North Lake Street Aurora, IL 60506 *630-631-5500*), with a wake service at 4:00 p.m. The funeral will take place on Wednesday, December 3, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. at Blessed Sacrament Church in North Aurora. Burial will follow at Resurrection Catholic Cemetery.

Previous Events

Wake Service

DEC 2. 4:00 PM (CT)

Daleiden Mortuary
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Aurora, IL 60506
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Funeral Mass

DEC 3. 10:00 AM (CT)

Blessed Sacrament Church
801 West Oak Street
North Aurora, IL 60542

Burial

DEC 3. 11:15 AM (CT)

Resurrection
Fabyan Pkwy.
Geneva, IL

Tribute Wall



“ Daleiden Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Donald E. McCluckie



Daleiden Mortuary - December 01, 2025 at 01:25 PM

DK

“ So sorry to hear about Don's passing. He and his family will be in my prayers. I fondly remember when we both lived in Bishop Park many years ago and took turns to driving to work at Richards-Wilcox.

Dolores (Dee) Kellen

Dolores Kellen - December 03, 2025 at 03:55 PM

MF

“ Mighty Lube & OPCO family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Donald E. McCluckie.



Mighty Lube & OPCO family - December 02, 2025 at 07:12 PM

MF

“ *Mighty Lube & OPCO family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald E. McCluckie.*

Mighty Lube & OPCO family - December 02, 2025 at 07:12 PM

EF

“ *Ed and Carol Walker family. purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Donald E. McCluckie.*



Ed and Carol Walker family. - December 02, 2025 at 11:21 AM

MJ

“ *Michael J. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald E. McCluckie.*

Michael J. - December 01, 2025 at 05:44 PM



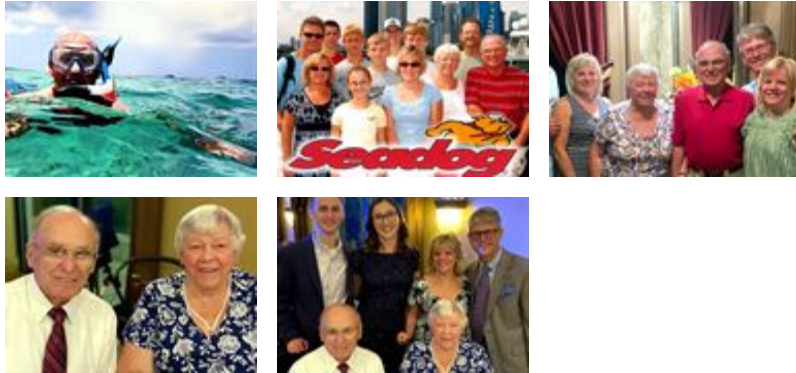
“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Donald E. McCluckie.*



December 01, 2025 at 03:51 PM



“ 50 files added to the album Life Tributes



Daleiden Mortuary - December 01, 2025 at 01:04 PM

SL

“ Steven Leffler purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Donald E. McCluckie.



Steven Leffler - December 01, 2025 at 11:44 AM

SL

“ Steven Leffler planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald E. McCluckie.

Steven Leffler - December 01, 2025 at 11:44 AM

FI

“ Friends at Phoenix Installation purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Donald E. McCluckie.



Friends at Phoenix Installation - December 01, 2025 at 11:35 AM

RP

“ Ronda P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald E. McCluckie.

Ronda P. - November 28, 2025 at 11:47 PM

TF

“ The Gossett Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Donald E. McCluckie.



The Gossett Family - November 28, 2025 at 10:33 PM

TF

“ The Gossett Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald E. McCluckie.

The Gossett Family - November 28, 2025 at 10:33 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Donald E. McCluckie.*



November 28, 2025 at 12:29 PM