



## Donald K. Whitt

February 25, 1930 - April 15, 2013

Donald K. Whitt, 83, passed away Monday, April 15, 2013 at his home. He was born February 25, 1930 in Gallatin, MO.

Don was remarried in 2004 to his wife of eight years, Jeanne, with whom he shared many happy memories. Don was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and friend to all who knew him. He earned the Purple Heart for his country in the Korean War. He was an avid golfer and fisherman who enjoyed time with his family. He will be deeply missed by his family and friends.

Survivors include his wife Jeanne; eight children, Joe, Bruce and Jane, Chuck and Terri, Bob and Tae, Cindy (Dan) Moran, Marilee (Gaith) Zayed, Becky (John) Vinehout, Gary(Melanie) Whitt; five step children Scott (Linda) Schaefer, Shari Lindo, Brett (Deb) Schaefer, Brian (Debbie) Schaefer, and Elizabeth (Bryan) Heriaud; twenty eight grandchildren; six great grandchildren; three sisters-in-law, Doris, Carol and Janice Whitt; two brothers-in-law, Chuck Fitting, Jack Heitz.

He was preceded in death by his first wife of forty six years, Marilyn Whitt; his parents, Phillip and Clara Whitt; seven brothers and sisters, Roberta (Nicholas) Smith, Lewis Whitt, J.P. Whitt, Marjorie (Albert) Peterson, Velma (Richard) Short, Florence Fitting, Russell Whitt; a step-son-in-law, Richard Lindo.

Funeral from THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY will be Friday, April 19, 2013 at 9:30am to St. Rita of Cascia Church at 10:00am. Interment will be at Mt.

Olivet Cemetery. Visitation will be Thursday, April 18, 2013 from 3:00pm until 8:00pm at THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY, 220 N. Lake St., Aurora, 630-631-5500 or visit our interactive website at [www.daleidenmortuary.com](http://www.daleidenmortuary.com) where you may leave condolences for Donald's family.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Olivet Cemetery

278 Ashland Avenue  
Aurora, IL 60505

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 18. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Daleiden Mortuary  
220 N. Lake Street  
Aurora, IL 60506  
(630) 631-5500  
daleidenmortuary@gmail.com  
<https://www.daleidenmortuary.com>

## Funeral Mass

APR 19. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Rita of Cascia Church  
750 Old Indian Trail  
Aurora, IL 60506  
1-630-892-5918

# Tribute Wall



“ Daleiden Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Donald K. Whitt



Daleiden Mortuary - April 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Bruce -- I'm so sorry to hear about your dad's passing. Please know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. May God bring your family peace and comfort.

Drew Sykes - April 18, 2013 at 11:59 AM



“ Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was purchased for the family of Donald K. Whitt.



April 17, 2013 at 01:51 PM

LP

“ Jeanne: So sorry for the loss of your soulmate. Our hearts ache. Your neighbors,  
Dave, Lisa and David Michael Parro

lisa parro - April 17, 2013 at 12:03 PM

KK

“ To the Whitt family,  
I am so very sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

*Melanie's cousin, Karen King*

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**Karen King** - April 17, 2013 at 10:00 AM

JK

“ My heart goes out to this large family full of love for a father who cared so much for his children. I will miss your smiling face at Terri and Chuck's cookouts this summer but I know you will be there in spirit.

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**Judy Keef-Horner** - April 16, 2013 at 06:30 PM

DF

“ Dale, Peggy, Bill, Jan, Michael, and Families purchased the Red, White & Blue Mixed Fireside Basket for the family of Donald K. Whitt.



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**Dale, Peggy, Bill, Jan, Michael, and Families** - April 16, 2013 at 02:59 PM

RA

“ To the Whitt Family:

*We are so saddened by the loss of Don. He was our first friend in the neighborhood and became our surrogate grandpa around the corner. We always looked forward to bumping into him on our daily walks, and enjoyed hours of conversation on the patio with him. We loved his stories and philosophies on life and looked forward each year to warmer weather when we knew we would see him outside every day. Whenever you would agree on a point with him, he would say, "Now that's a fact, Jack!"...this became our favorite quote of his! We know he is in a better place and are happy knowing we have one more person protecting us and our neighborhood. We will miss his happy disposition and the sound of his whistling. We love you Don and you will remain in our hearts forever.*

*Love,  
Rachel & Kevin Trenkamp*

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Rachel - April 16, 2013 at 11:31 AM

CF

“ To Uncle Don's family, friends, and loved ones. Our greatest sympathy and condolences on the loss of a great man and our beloved Uncle. I have so many memories regarding Uncle Don and could probably type for hours. To summarize, he was one who always put everyone before himself. Coming home on leave from the service to visit my family, he would always make it a point to stop by, take me out to the golf course for a free round of golf, and be sure to visit again before I left. So many great stories were shared between the both of us regarding his time in service compared to mine and how everything had changed. He always thanked me for my service and made me feel proud to not only serve but to be his nephew. You will be truly missed Uncle Don but never forgotten.

Love,

*Chris, Ailene, Clarissa & Dominique Fitting*

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**Christopher Fitting** - April 16, 2013 at 10:12 AM

JM

*Dear Jeanne,  
I'm so sorry for your loss. May God's peace be with you.  
Jan Marx*

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**Jan Marx** - April 17, 2013 at 12:06 PM

JM

“ *Cindy and family,*

*We are so sorry for your loss of your Dad. As with the passing of my dad just a month ago , you miss him and all the times surrounding him growing up in a great family that he led so ably. Fond memories with few worries or concerns. Remember the good times, laughter and good character.....a wonderful era.*

*Thinking of you all,*

*Love ,*

*Jack, Karen and Alyson Moran*

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**Jack Moran** - April 16, 2013 at 08:40 AM

JM

*Joe, Bruce, Chuck, Bob, Cindy, Marilee, Becky and Gary,  
You are in my thoughts and prayers. I can just see Vern and Mickey and Marilyn with your Dad, all together in the peace of heaven. I remember so many good times with our families, the Easter basket hunts, the family reunions, Christmas celebrations with Grandma and Grandpa Marx. I will be with you in spirit as you say your goodbyes and lay your loving father to rest. God's blessings to you all.*

*love,  
Jan Marx*

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**Jan Marx** - April 17, 2013 at 12:04 PM

SW

“ We are so saddened with Uncle Don's passing. We loved him dearly and will miss him. But we will always cherish our great memories of times spent with Uncle Don and all of you. Aunt Doris sends her regrets and love, too. She so enjoyed seeing him at Thanksgiving dinner. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

*Stu, Becky & family*

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**Stu Whitt** - April 15, 2013 at 08:38 PM

CW

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



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**Chuck and Terri Whitt** - April 15, 2013 at 08:25 PM

NS

“ To the entire Whitt Family,  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Your Dad always had a welcoming spirit and hospitality every time we were with him. May you take comfort knowing he is in God's house, where there is no more pain, heartache or longing, only peace, love and happiness forever.

*Our deepest sympathy, Ed, Noreen, Darren and Ryan*

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**Noreen Stass** - April 15, 2013 at 07:51 PM