



Dr. Donald G. Baird

January 30, 1944 - March 31, 2022

Dr. Donald “Don” Gilbert Baird, 78, of Monrovia was freed of all earthly ailments on Thursday, March 31, 2022, in the comfort of his home while surrounded by his loving family. He was born in St. Louis, MO on January 30, 1944, to the late Percy P. and Dorothy (Friend) Baird.

A proud graduate from Francis Joseph Reitz High School in Evansville, Don selflessly enlisted in the United States Army, serving his country as a Green Beret. In 1968, he met the love of his life, Ann, while working in a local hospital, and the dynamic duo were joyously united in marriage on March 28, 1969. Continuing his lifelong passion for learning and serving others, he attended Arizona State, earning a dual degree in Chemistry and Biology, later receiving his medical degree at Kansas City University, becoming a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine. Settling in Monrovia in 1986, Don maintained a private practice for several years as a family doctor, also spending many long days and nights working in local emergency rooms and urgent care sectors, delivering over 100 babies throughout his career, including two of his daughters!

A loving husband and father, Don and Ann were blessed with daughters, raising them with all the life lessons needed to be self-sufficient in their own right. An animal lover, the family were continuously blessed with fur babies through the years, giving a happy home to twenty-six dogs. Although he

sometimes had a stubborn side, his sense of humor managed to shine through making the world a brighter place. His unquenchable thirst for knowledge gave life to a wide variety of hobbies and pastimes throughout his life. Whether earning a black belt in karate, studying physics, politics, or religion, he rarely became half-interested in anything and his quest to learn each new interest or hobby to the fullest will be fondly remembered.

Along with his parents, Don was preceded in death by his daughter, Veronica Baird, and siblings Maxine Baird-Petti, Pat Inkenbrandt, and Buddy Baird.

Left to mourn his loss are his wife of 53 years, Ann (Brammer) Baird, of Monrovia; daughters, Dana Atwell (Allen) of Monrovia, Courtney (Damon) of Indianapolis, Alexa (Nick) of Indianapolis; grandchildren, Ellen Davis (Trey), Sam (Haley), Jack , and Annelise Atwell, all of Monrovia; cherished great granddaughter Wrenley, all of whom referred to him affectionately as “Dr. Baird”; brothers Neal Baird (Laura) of Zionsville, Paul Baird (Marcia) of Sandy, UT, and Lee Baird (Sally) of Carmel; a host of nieces and nephews, along with his beloved beagle, Smeagol.

Friends and family are invited to gather from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m., on Tuesday, April 5, 2022, at Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel in Monrovia. An additional hour of visitation will be held on Wednesday, April 6, beginning at 12:00 p.m., with a Celebration of Life Funeral Service beginning promptly at 1:00 p.m., Father Jude will officiate, and burial will follow in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Hall with full military honors. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made via mail to Harley’s Dream, PO Box 64, Berthoud, CO 80513, or online at <https://harleysdream.org> as a tribute to the countless number of 4-legged companions with whom he shared his lap and home with throughout the years. To share a favorite story, sign the online guest registry or light a candle in Don’s memory, search @MonroviaFuneralHome or please visit www.lightmemorial.com.

Cemetery Details

Mt Pleasant Cemetery, Hall

5409 W. Hurt Road
Monrovia, IN 46157

Previous Events

Friends & Family Gathering

APR 5. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel
585 East Main Street
Monrovia, IN 46157
(317) 996-2101
<https://www.lightmemorial.com>

Celebration of Life Service

APR 6. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. Donald G. Baird.*



April 06, 2022 at 07:04 PM



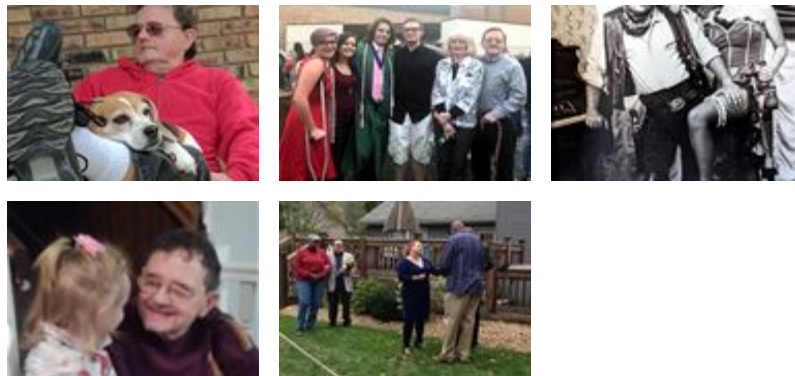
“ *May God wrap his loving arms around you all at this most difficult time. Keeping you all in my prayers. 🙏🙏🙏
Dr. Baird holds a very special place in my heart! ❤️*



Leesa Gayer - April 04, 2022 at 09:19 PM



“ *64 files added to the album Life Tributes*



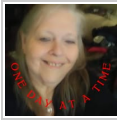
Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel - April 04, 2022 at 01:23 PM

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“ Uncle Donald seemed more like a big brother than an uncle to me, since he was only 5 years my senior. A couple of years ago, I was privileged to share with him that, as a kid I wanted to be like him; a Samaria (a warrior, and an intellectual). I look forward to seeing him again!

Praying for Ann and the family,
Eric Maddox

Eric - April 04, 2022 at 11:34 AM



Ann, so sorry for your loss. Praying for peace and comfort for you and your family

Judy Rainey Eden - April 05, 2022 at 06:57 AM



“ Treasured Memory - 8" x 7" Frame (Holds 4x6 Photo) was purchased for the family of Dr. Donald G. Baird.



April 04, 2022 at 09:29 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Dr. Donald G. Baird.



April 04, 2022 at 08:58 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. Donald G. Baird.



April 04, 2022 at 08:21 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dr. Donald G. Baird.



April 04, 2022 at 07:00 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dr. Donald G. Baird.



April 03, 2022 at 09:34 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Dr. Donald G. Baird.



April 03, 2022 at 08:48 PM

DG

“ *Dr. Baird was my favorite doctor when he was at Westview Express in Indianapolis. Prayers to all the family.*

Donna L Gwaltney - April 03, 2022 at 02:53 PM

NL

“ *Dr. Baird was very special to my husband Bradley....Now they are visiting in heaven restored to perfection....no more ailments. We will see them again. Thoughts and prayers for Ann and the rest of the family during this sad time.*

Nancy Lee - April 02, 2022 at 08:55 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. Donald G. Baird.*



April 02, 2022 at 12:58 PM

PW

“ *Patty Wallace lit a candle in memory of Dr. Donald G. Baird*



Patty Wallace - April 02, 2022 at 09:15 AM

PW

“ *Don was not just a friend and neighbor, but a true American hero. He saved so many lives thru his service to our country and his profession as medical doctor. He will be missed greatly by all us that knew and loved him. Our heartfelt love and sympathy to Ann and entire Baird family.*
Billy and Patty

Patty Wallace - April 02, 2022 at 09:13 AM

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“ *The Schelm family purchased the America the Beautiful for the family of Dr. Donald G. Baird.*



The Schelm family - April 02, 2022 at 08:52 AM