



Donnie Ray Davidson

March 1, 1945 - August 25, 2025

Donnie R. Davidson, affectionately known as "Big Don," passed away at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, August 25, 2025, at OSF, surrounded by his loving family. He was 80 years old.

Born on March 1, 1945, in Cuba, Illinois, Donnie was the son of Everett and Dessie (Martin) Davidson. A longtime resident of Cuba, Donnie was known for his strong work ethic, friendly smile, and deep love for the outdoors.

He is survived by his four daughters: Sherry (Jeff) Cape, Sheila Craig, Kay Davidson, and Janet (Nelson Correa) Davidson. Donnie was a proud grandfather to Jeffry, Jaclynn, Brody, Chelsey, Marrisa, Malakai, and Makaylynn, and had several great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sisters: Audrey Day, Marie (Dale) Harrison, and Barbara Nelson.

Donnie was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers, and four sisters.

He worked for International Harvester in Canton, IL, later transferring to Navistar in Indianapolis, IN, where he retired before returning to his beloved hometown of Cuba. Even in retirement, Donnie remained active, taking on various jobs around town and always willing to lend a helping hand. He enjoyed gardening, fishing, and spending time with family and friends.

Per Donnie's wishes, no formal funeral service will be held. A Celebration of Life will take place at Pottsie's Too in Cuba on Saturday, August 30 at 3:00 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Grant Keime Fund in Cuba, in honor of Donnie's enduring commitment to his community.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

AUG **30**. 3:00 PM (CT)

Pottsie's Too
300 E Main St
Cuba, IL

Tribute Wall

BM

“ *Sending prayers*

Bruce Mahr - September 01, 2025 at 05:32 PM

CR

“ *Sure going to miss you,when I worked at Casey's you would come in and talk always ask how my family was doing.rest in peace my friend.*

Carol Ragan - August 31, 2025 at 06:11 PM

BM

“ *I only met Donnie once but he was a good friend of my dad's, Bob Boggs. We are also friends with Kay. Thinking of you. John and Bobette Massaglia*

Bobette Massaglia - August 31, 2025 at 10:07 AM

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“ *He was such a sweet and gentle soul. He was my absolute favorite costumer when I worked at Jules, i always looked forward to seeing him.*

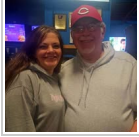
Tegan - August 29, 2025 at 09:46 AM

DP

“ *Dennis Pierson lit a candle in memory of Donnie Ray Davidson*



Dennis Pierson - August 28, 2025 at 08:30 PM



“ *Jeff Pierson lit a candle in memory of Donnie Ray Davidson*



Jeff Pierson - August 28, 2025 at 08:16 PM



“ *MaryLou Belless lit a candle in memory of Donnie Ray Davidson*



MaryLou Belless - August 28, 2025 at 04:56 PM



“ *This man was my BFF loved him and will miss him til I meet him in heaven. Sixty yrs of friendship and we never forgot it. I will miss our chats, hugs, Peck on my cheek and just seeing you. Fly high and sure Corby was waiting for his bud. Always I'm my heart. Mary Schnarr Woodruff and families*

Mary S. Woodruff - August 28, 2025 at 03:09 PM



“ *I love ❤️ you so much Dad!! Until we meet again 🥺*

Sheila Craig (Daughter) - August 28, 2025 at 02:57 PM