



## Donald "Don" William Funkhouser

March 9, 1949 - December 14, 2018

Donald William Funkhouser, age 69, passed away at the Memorial Hermann Memorial City Medical Center in Houston, Texas on December 14th, 2018.

He was born on March 9th, 1949 in Columbia, Mississippi to Lawrence Funkhouser and Jean (Cooper) Funkhouser.

Don moved throughout his childhood and spent time living in New Orleans, Midland, Houston, and San Francisco. Don attended Memorial High school in Houston, Texas where he was elected senior class president and scored a perfect 800 on his SAT Math test.

He attended Stanford University where he graduated with a bachelor's degree in Physics and a master's degree in Geophysics. Don worked his entire career as a geophysicist for Western Geophysical and spent time working in Houston, Mexico City, Saudi Arabia, and 8 years in London.

While living in London, he met his wife, Jane (Hunter) Funkhouser. Don and Jane were married on September 6th, 1980 and moved back home to Houston, where he lived for the rest of his life. Don and Jane had two children, Jonathan and Christopher.

He was passionate about computers and wrote several games in his spare

time. Don was also a huge sports fan, especially baseball. He would watch the Astros, Giants, and Dodgers every day.

Don is survived by his wife Jane, his father and stepmother: Lawrence Funkhouser and Jean Funkhouser, his children: Jonathan Funkhouser and Christopher Funkhouser, and his siblings: Tom Funkhouser, Dave Funkhouser, and Karen Funkhouser.

A Celebration of Life Gathering will be held on Saturday, January 26th, 2019, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. at Dettling Funeral Home, 14094 Memorial Drive, Houston, 77079.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Gathering

JAN **26**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Dettling Funeral Home  
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# Tribute Wall



“ Donald "Don" William Funkhouser

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ Donald "Don" William Funkhouser

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ Donald "Don" William Funkhouser

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



“ Donald "Don" William Funkhouser

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM



“ So sad to learn Don has passed so young. Remember Don as a brother in law who was a lovely father and husband and liked reminding us that he went to Stanford with Tom Watson the golfer.

**maureen alexander** - October 02, 2023 at 02:56 PM

SP

“ It seems that Don moved about as many times as I did as a youngster.

*I knew Don in New Orleans and have been looking for him and others I knew "along my road" in different places we lived. He is one person that stood out, even though only in 4th & 5th grad, that I to this day remember..*

*It is sad to see notice of his passing but great to see that he had a full life and has a beautiful family.*

*Steve Powell*

*captnstevempowell@gmail.com*

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**Stephen "Steve" Powell** - April 30, 2020 at 08:51 AM

EH

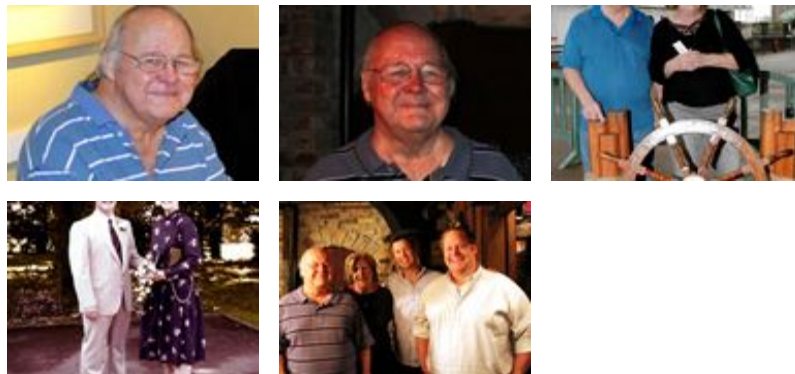
“ *Larry and Elaine (Funkhouser) Hohenberger are thinking of you and sending comfort and love to our family. We loved the memories of your lives and remember when you all came to Ohio in the summer to visit. That was a long time ago! We send our condolences.*

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**Elaine Hohenberger** - January 26, 2019 at 10:34 AM



“ 137 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Detting Funeral Home** - January 23, 2019 at 03:28 PM

SJ

“ Scott Hoffmeyer & Sherry Brooks with Edward Jones purchased the *Delightful Dieffenbachia* for the family of Donald "Don" William Funkhouser.



Scott Hoffmeyer & Sherry Brooks with Edward Jones -  
January 22, 2019 at 11:36 AM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" William Funkhouser.



January 21, 2019 at 08:50 AM

CA

“ Don was a special friend at Memorial High School in Houston. He was one of the smartest students at the school, but he was very modest and he was well-liked by everyone who knew him. Don had a very dry sense of humor, and he liked to make little jokes about the absurdity of some high school events. I remember working on his campaign for president of our Senior Class, which, to our delight, he won. I also enjoyed his leadership in the Student Council and the National Honor Society.

*I wish I had stayed in better touch with Don after graduation (which he called "an honorable discharge"). I send my sincere condolences to his whole family.*

*Fondly,  
Catherine ("Cathy") Anthony Arnold*

Cathy Arnold - January 20, 2019 at 08:43 PM

FW

“ From All your friends at WesternGeco purchased the Divine Light for the family of Donald "Don" William Funkhouser.



From All your friends at WesternGeco - January 17, 2019 at 02:59 PM

LA

“ Love Aiden, Sahar, & Jaleel Anjum purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Donald "Don" William Funkhouser.



Love Aiden, Sahar, & Jaleel Anjum - January 16, 2019 at 04:06 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" William Funkhouser.



January 12, 2019 at 02:26 PM



“ Simply Chic Mixed Plant Basket was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" William Funkhouser.



January 09, 2019 at 01:39 PM

DA

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Dan - January 09, 2019 at 01:34 PM

NS

“ Nicky Scotts lit a candle in memory of Donald  
"Don" William Funkhouser



nicky scotts - December 24, 2018 at 12:38 AM

NS

“ Remembering “The Donald” with fond memories of Weybridge, England; being half of the match maker team with Jane, as well as croquet in the garden, garden parties, and Friday nights at the Ackbar Indian restaurant in Richmond. Returning to Houston, the birth of your two amazing sons, and all the fun dinners, interesting evenings, and enjoyable times we have shared over the years. The Donald is on another journey, and to Jane, Jonathan and Christopher our deepest sympathies and much love as your hearts heal in the coming days ahead.  
Love from us both, Jim and Nicky Scott

Nicky Scott - December 24, 2018 at 12:32 AM

DW

“ *Wishing you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your heart. We are sending our deepest sympathies to Jane, Jonathan and Christopher in the loss of Don. Love, Donna and Dan Wisecup*

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**Donna Wisecup** - December 22, 2018 at 04:42 PM