



Donald R. Fox

October 8, 1928 - September 1, 2022

Our deeply loved husband, father and grandfather died peacefully in his home on September 1, 2022.

Don was born in Lansing, Michigan on October 8, 1928.

He is survived by his wife, Joanie, of 43 years, his daughters Lisa and Sandy, his son-in-law Paul "Chip", grandchildren, Ana and Anthony, step-grandchildren Staci, Paul and Erin, Crystal, Beau and Maguire.

Don was a successful businessman, which included 5 grocery stores, 2 auto body repair shops, a laundromat and dry cleaners, consulting business and private financing, which was remarkable on a 6th grade education, and earned him the nickname name of 10percent Fox.

In 1990 Don and Joan moved to Venice Fla. .. starting a new career of purchasing and remodeling properties. They also purchased a ranch in Steamboat, Co... which they had for 17 years and was Don's favorite place.

Don was a fun, dynamic man who was loved by most who knew him.

A mass will be held October 22, 2022, at 10am, at Our Lady of Mount Carmel church in Osprey Fla, with a celebration of life reception to follow.

In lieu of flowers, you may donate to St. Jude's or Salvation Army.

Previous Events

Mass

OCT **22**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
425 S. Tamiami Trail
Osprey, FL 34229

Tribute Wall



“ *I'm deeply saddened to learn about Don's passing. I was there for Don and Joanie's wedding. Don had a great sense of humor and loved to play Gin with my ex husband JC Walters. My deepest sympathy to his family for your loss.*

Vesta Walters, N Palm Beach, FL

Vesta Walters - May 19, 2023 at 12:15 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Donald R. Fox.*



October 15, 2022 at 07:04 PM

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“Dad, I loved you more than you'll ever know...maybe you DO know now, in spirit, and I miss you something terrible and have for years. I will carry you in my heart eternally! You were such a good, kind, and generous man, not only to family but to friends, employees and most of those who knew you! What a blessing you were to SO MANY, people and pets alike. I picture you with your parents, brothers, sister, best friend time, and successful at it! Yours was a story of rags to riches due to your hard work and determination! You may have only had a 6th-grade education, but you possessed an inner keen knowledge of people and what made them tick. Such a successful businessman, and entrepreneur. You provided beyond wonderfully for your family...you gave us the life you didn't have as a youngster. I thank God for the 61 years I had with you. You wanted kids and you got em....I was that baby in the "pawn shop no one else wanted so you figured you should take me", as just ONE of your MANY stories went. I was your "Charlie" (because I wasn't a boy). THANK YOU FOR BEING MY DAD AND MAIN MAN. You were my Dad, protector, & hero. You didn't plan on having a disabled daughter. I am sorry that happened. I WISH I could change that. I love you Foxy to the moon and back a million times forever!!

Sandy Fox - October 02, 2022 at 05:10 PM

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“Sympathy to Joanie and family. I remember when Don was worried he wouldn't live to be 75 years old. Glad that he was able to live a long and happy life. Sandra Brookshire Venice, Florida. P.S I would have sent your card, but I don't have your address.

Sandra Brookshire - September 24, 2022 at 02:35 PM