



Donald Reed

July 16, 1934 - March 4, 2016

Donald M. Reed, 81, was born on July 16, 1934 in Chattaroy, West Virginia, to the late William and Lillie Reed. On March 4, Donald departed from this life to his eternal home to be with the Lord. He was predeceased by his daughter Andrea Reed Cannady and grandson, Jelani Mark Cannady. He retired from the US Navy, NNSY Shop 72 and Advantage Auto. He was a Gunboat Captain during the Viet Nam War where he earned the Purple Heart, the Republic of Viet Nam Gallantry Cross with a Bronze Star, the Navy Commendation Medal, and Navy Achievement Medals. Donald will be remembered as an avid Redskin Fan, but most of all he will be remembered as a devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, and cherished uncle who loved his family dearly. The joy and focus of his life has always been his family. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Delores Reed; son, Donald Buchanan, Tennessee (Diane); grandsons: Donald Buchanan, Jr., Tennessee; Dion Johnson, Detroit; Tor Mark Cannady, Alexandria, VA.; a great granddaughter, Darcey Buchanan; Sister: Gloretta Lytle, Detroit; Brothers: Raymond Reed, Maryland; Carl Reed, Washington, D. C. ; extended families: Carroll Family, Boyd Family, Cannady Family and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Memorial Gardens

6329 Virginia Beach Blvd.
Norfolk, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 11. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services
1248 N. George Washington Hwy.
Chesapeake, VA 23323
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Service

MAR 12. 12:00 PM (ET)

New Berean Baptist Church
3600 Bamboo Road
Portsmouth, VA

Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Donald Reed



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - March 11, 2016 at 04:36 PM



“ 35 files added to the album Life Tributes



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - March 11, 2016 at 12:55 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Donald Reed.



March 11, 2016 at 10:39 AM

CJ

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



Corey Jones - March 11, 2016 at 09:19 AM

CJ

“ 1 file added to the album *Uncle Donald*



Corey Jones - March 11, 2016 at 09:18 AM

CJ

“ *Uncle Donald,*

Thanks so much for loving your family. You were like a grandfather to me. Always showing your support to me by coming to my little league baseball games and taking me to see Tides baseball games or Norfolk Nighthawk games. You truly loved me and my cousins and you made our childhood enjoyable. Even into adulthood, you continued to support me and encourage me to walk closely to the Lord. I will miss you and so glad I had a chance to spend time with you during your last days reading scripture to you and telling in person how much I appreciated your presence in my life. I will miss. Thanks for your example.

Enter into the joy of our King!

Corey Jones - March 11, 2016 at 09:02 AM

DB

“ *Dad:*

You was a great dad and wonderful father-in-law. You always showed so much love for your family. You will be missed, but we know you are in a better place. REST IN PEACE!!!

*Love Always
Donnie & Diane Buchanan*

Diane Buchanan - March 10, 2016 at 07:19 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donald Reed.*



March 10, 2016 at 02:50 PM

JN

“ *Uncle Donald,
Our hearts are sadden by the hearing of your passing. No words can express how we feel at this moment. There is a hole in our hearts that cannot be replaced. We will always feel the love and joy that we shared with you, and we will never forget your laughter, and jokes, and uplifting stories at the family reunions, We will always love you, Rest in peace.
June and Jeanette*

June Brown - Nephew - March 10, 2016 at 01:28 PM



“ *Fruits and Blooms Basket was purchased for the family of Donald Reed.* ”



March 09, 2016 at 02:59 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Donald Reed.* ”



March 08, 2016 at 10:09 AM



“ *The Reed Girls purchased the Sympathy Chocolates for the family of Donald Reed.* ”



The Reed Girls - March 07, 2016 at 07:21 PM



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



Mia - March 07, 2016 at 06:26 PM

MI

“ *Mia lit a candle in memory of Donald Reed*



Mia - March 07, 2016 at 06:25 PM

MI

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Mia - March 07, 2016 at 06:24 PM

MI

“ Uncle Donald

You were always the spirit of our family. Your life and your life is something that we can never replace. I will never forget laughing with you and running your bases at the family baseball games.

You accomplished so much in your life in the Navy including winning the purple heart, I was so proud to say that my uncle was a real American hero.

I know that you are living in peace in paradise now but we will always have the memory of the beautiful spirit that you always brought to our family. I love you and miss you dearly.

*Your Niece
Mia aka Mimi*



Mia - March 07, 2016 at 06:14 PM

BJ

“ Uncle Donald,

You will be truly missed. I could always look forward to your jokes and seeing that smile at the family Reunions. You was not a bad shortstop or third basemen at all either LOL. Your suffering is now over now you can rest in piece. Love your nephew Bryant. Love you always.

Bryant Jones - March 07, 2016 at 01:57 PM

SD

“ A light from the family is gone
A voice we loved is stilled
A place is vacant in the Reed home
Which never can be filled
We have to mourn the loss of one
We would've loved to keep
But God who surely loved him best
Has finally made him sleep
My Brother Donald rest with God

Your Sister "Doll"

Sister Doll - March 06, 2016 at 09:09 PM

SD

“ Sister Doll lit a candle in memory of Donald
Reed



Sister Doll - March 06, 2016 at 09:07 PM

LI

“ *Our Uncle Donald's journey with us is over,
but this time his ship sailed, embarked on a far greater one.
Gone from our sight, that is all.
Life is a horizon and death is just the limit of our sight.
We love you forever, We like you for always
As long as we are living
Our Uncle Donald you'll be.*

Niece Linda

Linda - March 06, 2016 at 09:06 PM

LI

“ *Linda lit a candle in memory of Donald Reed*



Linda - March 06, 2016 at 09:02 PM

RB

“ *Rhonda Blair lit a candle in memory of Donald
Reed*



Rhonda Blair - March 06, 2016 at 12:26 PM

RB

“ Uncle Don... I love you more than anything in this world. We shared a lot of great times together like betting on Cowboys and Redskins game (you always won your vanilla shake no matter who won) going to McDonalds in the morning to grab you a cup of coffee and watching you interact with all the older gentleman there you knew, all the side jokes we would make about "them folks" lol. You were more than an uncle to me... You were like a father. You never forgot my birthday and always would tell me that you were so proud of me even when I wasn't proud of myself. You taught me discipline and how to work hard and just enjoy the simplicity of life. You showed me what a strong and selfless person looks likes. My fondest memory of our time together is you teaching me how to drive. I know I scared the crap out of you everytime but you never gave up until I finally passed the test and got my license. I love you from here to the stars "Old man". See you later alligator... Rhonda aka Miss Bee.

Rhonda Blair - March 06, 2016 at 10:58 AM