



Donald Jerome Baron

January 16, 1930 - December 3, 2014

Obituary of Donald Baron

Donald Jerome Baron of Leesburg, Florida passed after a long illness on December 3, 2014 at Melech Hospice House, Temple Terrace, Florida. He was 84 years old. Born in Erie, PA, January 16, 1930 and was the son of Jerome W. and Helen G. Baron. He served as a 1st Lieutenant in the United States Army during the Korean War. He remained actively involved in Veterans' affairs, frequently singing the national anthem for various memorial services. As a graduate of Gannon University and the University of Illinois, he taught for 33 years in Wilson, NY as a high school English teacher. Upon retiring from teaching, he moved to NC, where he worked as the evening coordinator at Alamance Community College for 5 years. He and his recently deceased wife of 21 years, Mary "Betty" Baron, lived in Pennbrooke Fairways for the last 14 years. He is survived by 6 grandchildren and 3 children: James D., of Tampa FL; Diane L., of Asheville, NC; and Steven J., of Blacklick, OH. In his own words, he believed in: "Country, Love, Music and Truth." Funeral mass will be held at St. Paul's Catholic Church in Leesburg, FL on December 10th at 8:30a.m., followed by visitation at Beyers Funeral Home from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Korean War Veterans Memorial Foundation, Inc., 10301 McKinstry Mill Rd., New Windsor, MD 21776-7903. Online condolences may be left at www.beyersfuneralhome.com. Arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home, Leesburg, FL.

Tribute Wall

TT

“ *Donald Jerome Baron*

Tom Thiel - December 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TT

“ *To Don's Family We were most saddened today to learn of Don's loss. He has been a valuable contributing member of the Korean War and Korean Service Veterans of Lake County, Chapter 169, Inc, for several years. He sang for our ceremonies at the Veterans Memorial at Fountain Park and also at the National Guard Armory. We are especially sorry that we were not aware of his passing so that we could have been at his services; no soldier should leave alone! A tribute to Don will soon be available at http://www.kwva.org/in_memoriam/in_memoriam.asp All of our now 79 members of Chapter 169 express our deepest sympathy. Tom Thiel, Sevretary*

Tom Thiel - December 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TE

“ *This man will be sadly missed. There is no teacher who was more dedicated than Mr. Baron. He made learning a pleasure and all my friends on face book who went to Wilson are expressing the same feelings. Rest in Peace. Terry Evans, Wilson class of 1963*

Terry Evans - December 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ *We've been friends since 1963, talked to Don 2 weeks ago and were looking forward to seeing him right after Christmas. Will miss his friendship and card playing. Don has been a very good friend for many, many years.*

Bill & Rosie Brown - December 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *My Condolences to the family of Mr. Baron. I was in the Graduating Class of 67, at Willson Central School. I had the privilege of having Mr. Baron for Grade 10 and 12th Grade English and HR for 2 years. I got my best grades in his classes. Just shows what an amazing teacher he was!!!*

Marsha Briggs - December 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TE

“ *I have only fond memories of my former English teacher at Wilson. As a member of the class of 1963 I will all ways remember him as one of the finest, most dedicated teachers I ever had. He will be sadly missed.*

Terry Evans - December 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EG

“ *To the family of Cousin Donnie: Our thoughts and prayers are with you in this time of loss. I am sure he will be missed by everyone who's lives he touched. The last time we saw him was when he was moving form North Carolina to Florida. He stayed with us at our house in Kennesaw, GA. We grew up as kids with the Baron family, spending may week-ends at Uncle Jerome's cottage in North East. May God comfort you and give you peace. Carolyn York Gibbs and Edwin F. Gibbs*

EDWIN F. GIBBS & CAROLYN YORK GIBBS - December 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *I am very sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Baron. I had Mr. Baron for English my Junior year at WCS -1981 graduate; as did my mother, Victoria (Marshman) Bridgeman - 1961 graduate. He was one of WCS finest and most memorable teachers. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.*

DeAnna (Swann) Buffington - December 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

NM

“ *Mr. Barone, you will be a forever memory as my High School English teacher. Thank you for teaching me proper grammar and putting up with ALL of us. God bless you and much comfort and condolences to your family.*

Nora McGrew-Osmon - December 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ *I was a student of Mr Baron at Wilson Central High School in 1985. I always remembered him fondly. He was a funny and engaging teacher. My condolences to his family.*

Dianne Cevaer Mandell - December 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ *Mr. Baron was among the best of my teachers. Very fond memories of his humor filled class. He let kids be kids and helped make learning interesting or bearable. I am pleased to see that he lived a long life. Though never long enough we must take what the Lord gives us. My prayers go out for your families comfort during this time of mourning.*

Michael Clark - December 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *Sorry to hear of Don's passing. our family sends our prayers.*

Doug and Dale Benson - December 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Donald Jerome Baron*

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