



Melvin "Don" Rutledge Jr.

July 8, 1943 - November 13, 2024

Melvin "Don" was born in St Louis on July 8, 1943 to Melvin Rutledge, Sr and Jessie [Cole] Rutledge.

He died on November 13 at the age of 81.

After attending Roosevelt High School, he was accepted to Washington University school of Engineering but chose to attend the University of Rolla and obtained his Military Reserve Officer Training in 1963 before serving in the active reserves as a medic.

He married Carolyn in 1967 they had two daughters, and was stepfather to her previous children. Throughout his life he worked as a drafting

engineer, almost ten years at Emerson Electric before Oulette Machinery Systems, where he retired after 34 years of faithful service.

Don, or "Pappy" to his family, could always be found with a book in his hand. He liked traveling with his wife until she passed, then could be found at the local slot machines.

Survivors include: two daughters: Donna [Ramon] and Rebecca [Jeff]; four

grandchildren;

one brother: Russell [My-Le]; one stepdaughter: Leslie; five step-grandsons;
and one step-granddaughter

He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife.

Visitation will be Tuesday Dec 3 from 10 am -11 am

Graveside Service follow at 11:30 at Lake Charles Park Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Lake Charles Park Cemetery

7775 St. Charles Rock Road
St. Louis, MO 63114

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Archway Memorial Chapel
111 Taylor Road
Hazelwood, MO 63042
(314) 895-3900
info@archwaychapel.com

Graveside Service

DEC 3. 11:30 AM (CT)

Lake Charles Park Cemetery
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Tribute Wall



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