



Donald "Don" John Hess

August 18, 1936 - February 2, 2023

Donald John Hess (Don), 86, of Buford, Georgia peacefully passed away on February 2, 2023, surrounded by loved ones. Don was born on August 18th, 1936, to Bernard and Stella (Polniaszek) Hess SR. in Depew, NY. Don grew up in Depew and entered the United States Airforce in 1957. After leaving the Air Force, he married Alice Napora on February 27, 1960. He worked for Western Electric in Buffalo, New York and was transferred to Atlanta, Georgia in 1976. Don continued working for AT&T until he retired in 1996 after 37 years of service. After retirement Don filled his time doing taxes for H&R Block and AARP. He was a member of Prince of Peace Catholic Church. He is preceded in death by his parents, Bernard and Stella Hess SR.; and his brother, Bernard "Benny" Hess JR. He is survived by his wife, Alice Hess, of sixty-three years, his three children: Lynn (Chris) Pogue of Dacula, Georgia; Jacqueline (Alan) Daniel of Loganville, Georgia, and James (Laura) Hess of Buford, Georgia. Don is also survived by six grandchildren: Christopher (Nicole) Daniel of Reston, Virginia; Kelly (Daniel) Wilkinson of Buford, Georgia; Ashley (Mike) Dunlop of Grayson, Georgia; Meagan (Aaron) Barry of Cumming, Georgia; Matthew Pogue of Dublin, Georgia, and Morgan (Carter) Depping of Sugar Hill, Georgia. Don also had the pleasure of seven great grandchildren: Taylor Harrison, Ellie Wilkinson, Nicholas Daniel, Charlie Wilkinson, Arya Dunlop, Drennen Dunlop, and Livia Daniel. He enjoyed watching his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren take on life with adventures and made a lot of great memories.

Services will be held at Prince of Peace Catholic Church on February 27th at 2 p.m. Interment of Don's remains will be on February 28th in Georgia National Cemetery at 12:30 p.m. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Wounded Warrior Project or St. Jude's Children's Hospital. Many thanks to Flanigan Funeral Home and Crematory in Buford, Georgia for their compassion and professionalism as we lay a very loved man to rest.

Cemetery Details

Georgia National Cemetery

1080 Scott Hudgins Dr
Canton, GA 30114

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

FEB 27. 2:00 PM (ET)

Prince of Peace Catholic Church
6439 Spout Springs Rd
Flowery Branch, GA 30542

Interment

FEB 28. 12:30 PM (ET)

Georgia National Cemetery
1080 Scott Hudgins Dr
Canton, GA 30114

Tribute Wall

CJ

“ *My deepest sympathy to the Alice, and the family of Don, he was a great friend when my husband Dick and I lived in Ga. We had fun times together...Carol*

Carol Jakubiak - April 20 at 01:29 PM

CH

“ *Don was a friend from Prince of Peace Catholic Church and was his pest control technician.
I always enjoyed seeing him and Alice at mass*

Charlie Hodge - July 15, 2025 at 12:47 PM

AS

“ *I am so sorry to hear about Don's passing! We prepared taxes together for a short while and I just loved working with Don! He taught me a lot about tax work and was always available when I had a question. His stories kept us all entertained. I'm proud to have had the privilege.*

Amanda Swafford - February 09, 2023 at 10:06 PM

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“ *Susan Troglin Seale lit a candle in memory of Donald "Don" John Hess*



Susan Troglin Seale - February 05, 2023 at 05:15 PM

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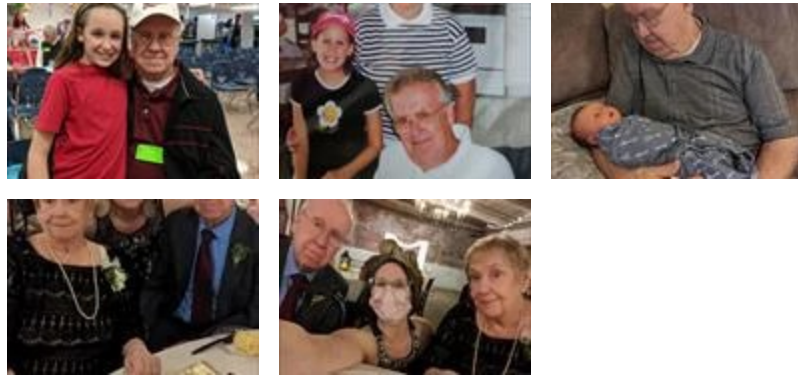
“ Harvey Hudlow lit a candle in memory of Donald "Don" Hess



Harvey Hudlow III - February 05, 2023 at 04:22 PM

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Ashley E Dunlop - February 05, 2023 at 04:19 PM

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Lynn Pogue - February 05, 2023 at 01:52 PM

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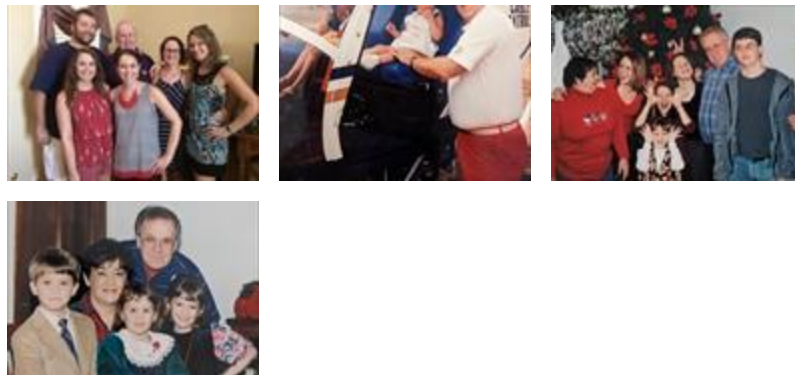
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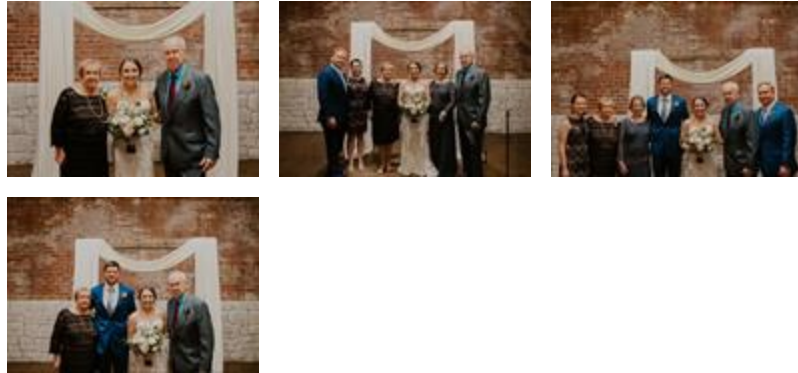
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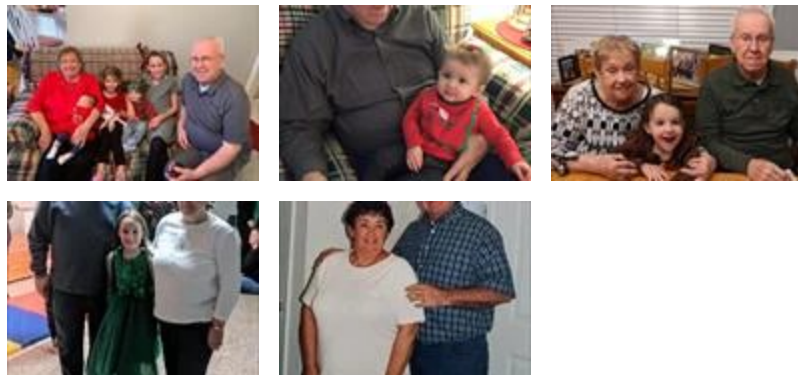
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Ashley Dunlop - February 05, 2023 at 12:24 PM