



## Donald Renwick Odell III

May 10, 1959 - March 1, 2026

Donald Renwick “Wick” Odell, III, aged 66, passed away peacefully on Sunday, March 1, 2026, in Braselton, GA, surrounded by his family. He is the eldest son of Cornelia “Neilie” (Heffernan) Odell and the late Donald Renwick Odell, Jr. Wick married Jennifer Dick in 2013 in North Conway, NH. They were devoted to each other for 24 years.

Wick was born in New Rochelle, NY, 1959. Growing up in Marcellus, NY, Wick graduated from Marcellus High School, attended Cayuga Community College, and graduated from SUNY Brockport, earning a degree in Business Administration. He was active in wrestling, judo, the Syracuse Harlequin Rugby Club, and Model UN.

Following in his father’s and grandfather’s footsteps, Wick worked for many years in the family brick business, selling throughout New York and Pennsylvania. For the last 30 years, he worked as an independent sales representative of architectural masonry products in Georgia, Florida and surrounding states. Recently, Wick was a lifeguard at the Bogan Park Aquatic Center in Buford, GA, where he took his lifeguard duties seriously and enjoyed interacting with patrons and co-workers.

Whether sitting on a beach soaking up the sunshine or watching deer, birds and other animals in his backyard, Wick enjoyed nature and the outdoors. He

was an avid reader of history, poetry, sports and politics. He was passionate about physical fitness – swimming, running, hiking, weightlifting. For 30 years, Wick was a boxing enthusiast, training and coaching early on at Eagle Boxing & Kickboxing in Lawrenceville, GA, and more recently at Full Throttle Fitness and MMA in Gainesville, GA.

Wick lived his life with humor, love, mischief and humility. Halloween was his favorite time of the year, going all out with decorations inside and outside his home. He was known as the Chairman of the Fun Uncle Club, taking pride in “breaking the rules” with his nieces and nephews, and showing them how to make silly faces.

Wick’s devotion to his family and friends was endless. He is survived by his beloved wife, Jennifer, and mother, Neilie, siblings David Odell, Carolyn Sirera and Christine DiNovo, father-in-law and mother-in-law David and Dr. Patricia Dick and several brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins.

Wick will be remembered for his benevolence and endless generosity toward others, collecting and donating thousands of books for children of low-income families. He also raised thousands of dollars for the Flowery Branch (GA) Police Department’s Shop With A Cop program. Through his unwavering support for eight years, Wick planned and participated in an annual boxing fundraiser, sparing for 90 minutes each year with only a one-minute break every 10 minutes. He thoroughly enjoyed training for this event and fighting for the underprivileged children and families in the community.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations in Wick’s memory be made to Heifer International, Doctors Without Borders or Habitat for Humanity.

There are no calling hours. The family will hold a Celebration of Life and

Remembrance at a later date.

# Tribute Wall

MM

“ I had the pleasure of getting to know Don through our phone conversations. He was always warm, thoughtful, and genuinely enjoyable to speak with, leaving a lasting impression on those who had the opportunity to know him. He carried a kind spirit and an authentic presence that made others feel at ease, and he will forever remain in my memory. Don will be deeply missed. On behalf of Central Broward Construction, we extend our deepest condolences to his family, friends, and all who were touched by his life.

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**Maria Jose Montalvan** - March 19 at 03:20 PM

MM

“ Don was truly a pleasure to work with and to speak with, and I will always remember how easy and pleasant our conversations were. He had a kind, genuine way about him that left a lasting impression, and he will be remembered fondly by all who had the chance to know him. I will carry his memory with me always. On behalf of Central Broward Construction, we extend our sincere and heartfelt condolences to his family and loved ones during this difficult time.

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**Maria Jose (MJ) Montalvan** - March 19 at 08:21 AM

JC

“ On behalf of the SUNY Brockport School of Business and Management, please accept our deepest condolences. —Jana Craft, Dean

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**Jana Craft** - March 14 at 04:02 PM

PD

“ Don "Wick" was always a wonderful brother-in-law to me, a generous uncle to our children, and a great brother, son, husband, cousin, etc to all. I will miss his warm smile, catching laugh, and dedication to everything he did. May God bless him greatly in eternity. Peace of Christ, with love, brother-in-law Pat DiNovo

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**Pat DiNovo** - March 10 at 09:26 AM

JD

“ O.D. ,as we knew him in his upstate New York rugby days, was a teammate of mine both at Brockport and with the Syracuse Harlequins.  
On behalf of the Brockport RFC and the Syracuse Harlequins RFC we send our deepest condolences to his family and friends.

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**John Dougherty** - March 07 at 10:25 AM

MH

“ Don loved horror movies. Movies made by Hammer studios in particular. We watched several horror movies together(not Hammer, though). He seemed to enjoy life. Always had a good word to say. I would see him walking through the neighborhood loaded down with weights and water. He also loved hanging out with a kid in the neighborhood, Owen. He was always talking about that kid, even after they had moved. And he loved Halloween, he would spend weeks just setting up displays. It brought joy to me and the surrounding neighbors. Don will be greatly missed.

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**Mike Hosea** - March 06 at 06:17 AM

FN

I just can't believe it! Don was a true good person. Vibes never lie. Anyone that knows this guy knows he's was a good man. 😭 Rest in peace my brother. May God comfort everyone's heart.

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**Franklin Neves** - March 13 at 03:55 PM



“ *This touch me dearly not because I knew "Wick" personally but because how much his sister Carolyn who spoke of him. Through my relation with Carolyn I learn she love and cared for her brother Wick. She had a special relationship with him and how she spoke of him I knew I would like him and we would have become good friends. He will definitely be missed therefore I pray for the family that God will give you the peace you need during this time.*

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**Julius Koonce** - March 05 at 09:34 PM



“ *My family and I have had the pleasure of knowing the Odell Family for 20 plus years. Wick's commitment to boxing for charity, along with the sincere kindness he demonstrated, was truly inspiring. Wick had a big heart and was such a genuinely good person.*

*To Jen I pray that the memories you shared with Wick will surround you in your time of sorrow and bring you peace.*

*To my bestie/sister Carolyn I love you and am so very sorry for your loss.*

*To Mom Neilie I understand your loss and will be praying for you. Sending more hugs than you can hold.*

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**Tomika Thurman** - March 05 at 07:21 PM



“ *You were my best friend your still my best friend rest in peace Don rest in peace.*

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**Tim Collier** - March 05 at 03:53 PM

TF

“ We are sending our sincere condolences and heartfelt prayers to the Odell and Sirera families. We are with you in your time of grief and hope that the wonderful memories you have of Wick will carry you through this time of sorrow and bring joy to your tomorrow.

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**The Thurman Family** - March 05 at 10:25 AM

DJ

“ This was a man like no other. He would captivate me with his stories and knowledge of history. I enjoyed his company, especially talks of politics, I think because we saw things a lot alike. I wish I could have spent more time with him, when he was at the lake. I'm sure our conversations would have lasted into the wee hours or until the coals burn dim. His wife is my sister, and her devotion to Wick ran true. Wick, you're always welcome at my campfire anytime. The world has lost another amazing human being. Thank you for your time in my life.

*Dave Dick, Jr.*

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**Dave Dick, Jr.** - March 04 at 07:36 PM

ST

“ I first met Wick while he was visiting his sister and our close friend, Carolyn in North Carolina. Wick made everyone feel welcomed, warm, and like a part of the family. He was so easy to be around and I felt like I had known him for years after spending just 30 minutes with him. I will remember him as full of life and love. He will be missed. (Sam Thurman, Greensboro NC)

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**Sam Thurman** - March 04 at 04:41 PM

PB

“ *Awe Man Don....The Greatest Behind the Fighters in Georgia.*

*RIP Brother*

*1999 I walked into Mr Brown's Gym. Don is in the ring, wearing the big pad, headgear and gloves. Whoever was in there going to town on Don.*

*He did the same for me every single fight. Took all the punishment I could give until I was spent. Never backing down, never complaining, always ready. He literally did this for 100 of fighters from Eagle Boxing and Kickboxing and Full Throttle. Everyone who fought had to go through Don.*

*What a loss. Miss you already.*

*See you in Valhalla Warrior.*

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**Philip Botha** - March 04 at 03:21 PM

JS

“ *Wick was my brother in every way that mattered. He welcomed me into the Odell family as soon as I started dating Carolyn, and he was always there for us and our son. I have so many great memories of him that will never fade. I pray for the entire Odell family and everyone who knew him, because if you knew him you knew kindness and caring. I especially pray for his wife, Jen, who loved him the way he deserved to be loved to the end. We will miss you every day, Wick.*

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**Joe Sirera** - March 04 at 11:08 AM

JB

“ My grandson affectionately referred to him as “Mr. Don”. He & Jen were our next door neighbors for several years in Flowery Branch. He taught Owen how to “ding ding ditch” often with water guns involved & to yell “make me a sandwich “ to Mrs Jen!!! Owen lived when the started decorating for Halloween!! Eventually some of their decorations would sneak into our yard & we never knew where a skeleton was gonna show up!! We enjoyed spending time together. Mr. Don was the epitome of enjoying life & spreading his positive outlook to everyone!! Owen also participated in Mr Don’s annual boxing event. He loved going in the ring& beating up on Mr Don! What a blessing to know Mr. Don!! Ray & Jennifer Burnett



Jennifer Burnett - March 04 at 09:39 AM

PP

I worked with Don at Bogan pool. We were both from same area so we bonded over that and his love for dad jokes. He was always telling me new ones. He looked forward to our kids club at the pool and loved interacting with all of them. Dressed up as Santa for Christmas and brought in some of his decorations for the kids. And they all looked forward to playing with him when they were there. I will miss his warm heartedness and mostly his dad jokes. God bless Jennifer and the rest of his family.

Pat Paine

Pat Paine - March 04 at 10:17 PM

RS

Don will be missed for sure at our monthly.....  
Kids club here at Bogan pool.  
Sending Blessings to his entire Family! rsavior... @Bogan

Renee Savior - March 05 at 09:11 AM

SR

*Wick was the first born, beloved son of my dear, dear friend Neillie. He was devoted to his parents and visited often. Neillie was looking forward to his visit in March because he always made her laugh and made everything FUN. She spoke often of Wick's love and closeness to his dad, his sisters and brother. May his dear family find some peace through warm memories of Wick.*

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**Suzanne Ryan** - March 06 at 12:30 PM

MP

“ *I remember family events with the Sheehan and O'Dell family. Very special times and Wick was a great man! Praying 🙏 for your family.*

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**Mary Virginia Przybyla** - March 03 at 06:25 AM