



Donald "Donny" Edward Hans

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Donald Edward Hans, beloved husband, father, grandfather, and friend, peacefully passed away on Wednesday, March 13, 2024, at Mercy New Life Hospice. He was 66 years old. Donald, affectionately known as Donny, was born on June 20, 1957, in Lorain, Ohio, to Harry and Ruth Hans (nee Schlotter). He was a cherished lifelong resident of Lorain.

Donny graduated from Lorain High School and embarked on a remarkable 42-year career with the United States Post Office, serving diligently as a dedicated mail carrier until his retirement in 2021. He took immense pride in his work, finding fulfillment in the service he provided to his community.

A passionate sports enthusiast, Donny was an avid supporter of The Ohio State Buckeyes, the Cleveland Indians and Cleveland Browns, but his love for sports extended beyond teams to the camaraderie and joy they brought him. He found immense happiness in spending time with his family and friends, creating cherished memories that will forever live on in their hearts.

Throughout his life, Donny was actively involved in various community organizations, including Olde Town Charleston, the American Legion, and the Amherst Eagles, where he forged lasting friendships and made meaningful contributions to those around him.

Donny is survived by his devoted wife of 13 years, Diane L. (nee Gladish), his loving children, Kelly (Brian) Dziak, David (Amanda) Schue, Donald Hans II, Allison Hans, Melanie (Alan) Jordan, and Craig (Lindsey) Jordan; his adored grandchildren Marissa, Lauren, Nicholas, Ethan, Tyler, Charlotte, Vanessa, Andrew, Benjamin, Claire, Grace, Alexa, LeLand, Corey, Owen, Emilie, and Adeline. He is also survived by his brothers Richard Hans and Terry (Michelle) Hans; sisters Shirley Havens, and Jacqueline (Jeff) Utz; sister-in-law, Donna Hans; brother-in-law, Robert Pleus; and numerous nieces and nephews.



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He was preceded in death by his parents, Harry and Ruth Hans, his brother Harry Hans III; his sister Nancy Pleus; granddaughter, Leia Schue; sister-in-law, Joyce Hans; and brother-in-law, Robert Havens.

A Celebration of Life in honor of Donny will be held on Sunday, April 21, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. at the Amherst Eagles, 1161 Milan Ave., Amherst, Ohio. Family and friends are encouraged to wear their favorite sports attire as a tribute to Donny's passion. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in memory of Donny to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Expressions of sympathy and fond memories may be shared with the family online at www.dovinreberjones.com.

Donny will be deeply missed but fondly remembered for his kindness, generosity, and unwavering love for his family, friends, and community. May his spirit live on in the countless lives he touched, leaving behind a legacy of love and laughter that will endure for generations to come.



Events


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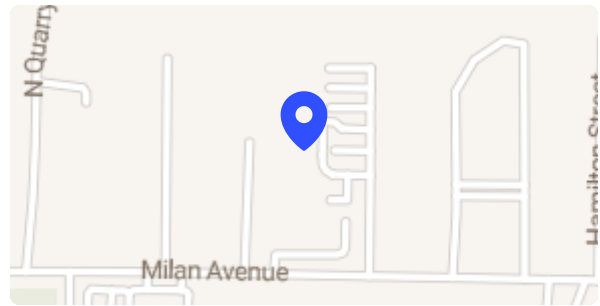
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Celebration of Life

 **Sunday**, April 21, 2024

 1:00 PM ET

 **Amherst Eagles**
1161 Milan Avenue, Amherst OH 44001





Tribute Wall

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GM

Gary Markus posted:

First of all my sincerest condolences to the entire Hans family. Growing up on the other end of Lorain's G St I had the pleasure of finally meeting Don in the Longfellow Jr. High's 7'12's. Our friendship continued to grow throughout our Lorain High School years and carried on into young adult hood until life's paths took us into different directions. However those 6-8 years left me with some of the best memories of my life. Don was an exceptional athlete and whether it was playing sports, racing cars, or just hanging out dinking beer etc. i have always and will always cherish. RIP my old friend.

April 14 at 1:13 PM

PE

P.Eastaugh posted:

It's difficult to express in words the loss of Donny. His aptitude for current events, history and music seemed at times to be boundless. He was never at a loss for words and always made us smile. We will miss his presence at our frequent music gatherings at Rockin-on-the-River. Our deepest condolences to you Diane and know our prayers for you and your family are being sent your way. All our Love, Patti & David Eastaugh.

March 24 at 5:05 AM

SH

Shirley Havens March 30 at 6:46 AM

Nothing can replace Don. But love & memories fill the spaces he left behind—and that lasts forever ❤️

PS

Pablo Sanchez posted:

To Diane and family, Donnie was a really cool guy and a good friend. I would like to offer my deepest condolences... Papo Sanchez

March 22 at 8:31 AM

MJ

Mary Ann Janda posted:

Donny was one of the best mailmen I've ever seen. He was always positive and so very nice! His wife Diane is one of the coolest girls ever!What a great couple! Sending sympathy, prayers, and much love to Diane and his family.

March 20 at 10:34 AM



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TS

Terry R Shullick posted:

Diane we wish to extend our heart felt condolences to you and the family. Our prayers are with you all. Terry and Dee Shullick.

March 20 at 10:30 AM

KS

Kimberly Szeto posted:

Donny was a great guy. Funny, kind and genuine. He was always making you laugh. He was a good friend, sports enthusiast and loved his family. Jeff and I are going to miss him tremendously. Our love to the family and our deepest condolences.

March 20 at 8:59 AM

JU

Julie posted:

Donny was a great man and I was lucky to have known him through OTC. He was one of my dad's favorite bar friends. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

March 19 at 6:25 PM

CJ

Craig Jordan posted:

First I would like to share how kind Donny was. I met him when I was young, immature and stupid. Through it all, he was patient with me and always offered me support. I don't think I've ever met a more dedicated Browns/Indians fan in my life. We talked about sports constantly and watched COUNTLESS games together. He could have easily been a radio announcer or statistician if he chose that route in life. Above all, there was one thing that he always did that I loved him most for: Being kind and loving to my mother.- Craig Jordan

March 19 at 4:55 PM

PS

Pat Simashkevich posted:

Deepest sympathy to the Hans' family. My husband Jim and Donny played softball together on a team called Triams thru Nelson Stud. What a team that was. Jim passed away 3 yrs. ago also in March. My thoughts and prayers are with you. God bless.. Pat Simashkevich

March 18 at 2:25 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Donald "Donny" by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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