



## Mr. George Dale Don

September 29, 1928 - January 18, 2015

Dale Don passed away at home Sunday, January 18, after a long illness. He had lived in Albany since 2006 and was a member of Covenant Presbyterian Church and active in Albany's Golden Kiwanis chapter. He also volunteered for many years with Whiz Kids of GA, tutoring young public school students.

Born George Dale Don in 1928 in Durango, Colorado, Dale was raised in the west. He treasured always the memories of his adolescent years spent in Palmer, Alaska, and revisited Alaska many times with his children and grandchildren. During the Second World War, his family moved from Alaska to the state of Washington, where he finished high school and then attended Washington State University.

At WSU, Dale was an officer in the Kiwanis-sponsored fraternity, Kappa Iota Phi. He also was one of only two Washington students to earn Certified Public Account accreditation the year he graduated. Shortly after starting his first professional job in Wallace, ID, Dale met Betty Baxter at an Elks Club dance. Less than a year later, they married.

Dale and Betty raised seven children. The first five children were born in Idaho, where Dale was a partner in an accounting firm. The other two arrived later, after the family had moved to Portland, OR, where Dale worked first

as an accounting firm partner and then as a tax executive with Georgia Pacific Corp. (now Georgia Pacific LLC.) During his professional years, Dale was a member of the Elks and Portland's Rainmakers civic organization. He also was active in several industry groups.

In 1982, the family relocated to the Atlanta area, where Georgia Pacific had moved its headquarters. In 1986, shortly after the two youngest Dons had moved out into the world, Dale and his children were shocked and saddened when Betty Don died suddenly. Dale found himself alone.

Lee LeMarr agreed to marry Dale two years later, and they spent 26 happy years together. Following his retirement, they traveled in the United States and Europe, ultimately resettling in Albany.

Dale was preceded in death by his first wife and parents, George Andrew Don and Alvaretta Dale Moreman He is survived by his wife Lee, brother, Vernon Harold "Pete" Moreman, sister, Patricia Ann Moreman Shortlidge and seven children, Mary, George, James, William, Marcella, Michael Don and Retta Malone He is also survived by two stepdaughters, Patti Shellhaas and Cindy Dyer, fourteen grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, the last born in 2014. A memorial service will be held in remembrance of Mr. Don, at Covenant

Presbyterian Church in Albany, GA on Friday January 23rd at 11 am. Family will receive friends beginning at 10 AM.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Covenant Presbyterian Young Life, and Whiz Kids Georgia Division.

You may sign our online guestbook and share your own special thoughts with the family of Mr. Don by visiting Kimbrell-Stern's website at [www.kimbrellstern.com](http://www.kimbrellstern.com).



# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. George Dale Don*

May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



“ *Mr. George Dale Don*

May 22, 2023 at 01:29 AM



“ *Mr. George Dale Don*

December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM

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“ Dear Friends,

*To tell you of how I came to be reading the obituary of this fine man is a long-winded tale, indeed. Suffice it to say I was "Googling" a friend who is named herein. I offer my deepest condolences and am sincerely sorry for your loss.*

*However, my reason for wishing to take up precious space in this "guestbook" is neither sympathy nor sentiment, I'm afraid. Instead I hope to be a sort of anonymous "reality check". Do you realize the vast plethora of information you've given about your family to strangers via this obituary published on the World Wide Web? Mr. George Dale Don has gone onto that better place, where bank accounts no longer matter, but is it necessary, in his obituary, to give the answer to what is quite possibly one of the passcodes his seven children rely on to safeguard their own financial accounts? C'mon folks, maiden names are sensitive intell. When writing an obituary, may I advise everyone that in this day and age, it's almost certain to end up on the Internet for all to see. Which means it'll be cataloged for keywords with the search engines and liable to show up in countless "Googling's". And thus a girl like me winds up with way more information than just the address I was hoping to find (and didnt find here) so I can send a friend a Christmas gift.*

*An obituary is not a book report, term paper or doctoral thesis. No one is going to demand you provide a bibliography or criticize you for not providing full names or maiden names. Maybe I'm being overly cautious, but given the huge increases just these past couple years, with crimes like identity theft, and given that most of those criminals are willing to work way harder for personal details the like of which this obituary, among others, innocently supply them with so easily.*

*May God bless your hearts! BE SAFE and BE SMART with how much of your personal stuff you put out there on "Front Street" here on the web... and please don't ever forget that even though it can feel like one big friendly world when @ any time of day or night you can sit down at a keyboard and find an infinite number of new acquaintances online, all in the course of your regular reading, writing, watching or consuming activities. STRANGERS ARE STILL*

*STRANGERS ON THE WORLD WIDE WEB- HOW MUCH DO YOU WANNA TELL PEOPLE YOU DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE PEOPLE WHO ARE MOST DEAR TO YOU?? think think think! (and then think again before each and every thing you publish, cuz its impossible to ever take it back completely once its been put out there.) Peace! <3- s.k.*

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**s.k.** - December 03, 2015 at 05:45 AM

PB

“ *Lee and family,*

*Very early in my GP career I had the opportunity of traveling with Dale. It was an unforgettable experience. I learned a lot about GP and its facilities, about taxation of the timber business, and that once given the option of driving the rental car I was not giving the keys back to him!*

*We are sorry to learn of Dale's passing. May you be comforted by your faith and by the memories of your years together.*

*Phil and Cindy Bowers*

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**Philip R Bowers** - January 26, 2015 at 08:42 PM

TG

“ *Lee and family - please accept my condolences over the loss of your dear husband and father. I worked with Dale (and Lee) at GP before he retired. I remember Dale was a real force in the tax department. He could scare the hell out of you. But mostly i remember how much he smiled after he met and married his beautiful bride, Lee, and the lovely garden party held at your home. I know that Dale will be missed. --Ted Ghiz*

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**Ted Ghiz** - January 23, 2015 at 07:49 AM

KP

“ Dale and I were members of the original Atlanta Georgia-Pacific Tax Family that opened up the tax office on the 8th Floor of the GP Center in 1982. It truly was a melting pot of the East and West Coasts but it all seemed to work.

*We are very sorry to hear of Dale's passing. Lee, please know our thoughts and prayers are with you and your entire family. May all the great memories help all of you during this very difficult time.*

*Kris and Bill Peterson*

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**Kris Peterson** - January 23, 2015 at 06:49 AM

ME

“ Having working with Dale at Georgia-Pacific corporation for many years, I can only say Dale is one of my all time favorite people. God Bless.

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**Mike Edwards** - January 22, 2015 at 06:18 PM

DB

“ Dale was such a kind, patient person with children. We had Dale and Betty over for dinner in Atlanta when our oldest son was just 2. Kevin insisted on sitting on Dale's lap to comb his hair. Dale sat there very calmly and just let Kevin "comb away"! David was mortified, but Dale said he enjoyed Kevin. We are sorry to hear of his passing and disappointed that we will be unable to attend his service. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Lee and all of his family.

*Fondly, David and Cynthia Boller*

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**David and Cynthia Boller** - January 22, 2015 at 01:05 PM

TK

“ I was sorry to hear of Dale's passing. I really enjoyed the company of Dale & Lee's company at the Golden "K" Kiwanis Club. Tom King, Clarksville, Tennessee.

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**Tom King** - January 22, 2015 at 10:22 AM

TL

“ A true "gentleman": "someone who is nice all the time, which is not easy to be". That is my memory of Dale.  
Before I knew Dale and Gigi or any of the Shellhaases very well at all, I coached the Shellhaas kids (Dale's step grandchildren) in various sports. Youth coaches never make parents happy all of the time, but I remember fondly how supportive Dale was when I was coaching. He did not know me at all, but always found me and thanked me for coaching the kids. Good memories. Thanks Dale.

*Tommy Langstaff*

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**Tommy Langstaff** - January 22, 2015 at 07:43 AM