



## Donn S. Shapiro

September 28, 1933 - July 2, 2024

Donn Stewart Shapiro passed away, peacefully, on July 2, 2024. The void he leaves is vast and he will be forever missed by his devoted wife, Dolores.

Donn was born on September 28, 1933, in Chicago, IL, to parents Joe and Jory Shapiro. Raised in Illinois, after graduating from high school, Donn headed South where he attended and graduated from Florida Southern College in Lakeland, Florida. Donn was a Tau Epsilon Phi and he just knew he was going to return to live in Florida.

At 7 years old, Donn was introduced to the art world. He would have a life-long interest in art and collected more than 200 original works of art. Donn came by his love for art, honestly! His father is renowned for founding the Museum of Contemporary Art (MCA) and served on the boards of the Art Institute of Chicago and the Smart Museum. Donn was an honorable life member at both of these institutions.

In 1980, Donn met Dolores and the two fell head over heels in love, quickly becoming life companions; they were inseparable and unwavering partners and soulmates, in everything. Donn was married to the love of his life, Dolores (Keating) Shapiro for 44 years. Theirs was truly a love for the ages...

After serving his country for two years in the Army, Donn went on to enjoy a

successful career as a Commercial Real Estate Broker and Property Manager. And, Donn's interests were wide- he collected cars, watches and coins. But, what he most enjoyed was sailing with his favorite 'mate', Dolores.

Everyone who truly knew Donn saw warmth and compassion, kindness, generosity and thoughtfulness. He stepped up to volunteer, helping wherever and whenever he could. Donn lived by his values, "to obey your most generous instincts" and "do the right thing."

Donn lived a full and wonderful life. He will be greatly missed by those whose lives he touched.

Donn was predeceased by his mother, Margaret (Jory) and father, Joseph Randall Shapiro. Donn leaves behind many loved people; his wife Dolores (Keating) Shapiro, his only love whom he adored; Brother-in-Law, Robert Keating; Sisters-in-Law, Mary McLaughlin and Geraldine Keating; Nephews, Kevin Keating, Keith Keating, Joseph Keating and Andrew Keith; Nieces, Kathy Keating- Losinske, Kristen Catino, Karen Keating and Ellen Keith; and, Cousin, Lynda Perez.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made, In Donn's Memory, to Wounded Warriors Family Support (<https://wwfs.org/donate/>), The Seeing Eye (<https://www.seeingeye.org/>) or Leader Dogs For The Blind (<http://www.leaderdog.org/>).

A Funeral Mass and Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Details will be published upon finalization.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Although I didn't know him personally, his cousin Donna spoke fondly of Donn and Dolores throughout my childhood. So sorry for the loss of your loved one. I will pray for comfort and healing for Dolores and all those who loved and cared for Donn

Tina - March 15, 2025 at 08:43 PM

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“ I remember and knew Donn as a man of uncommon kindness and generosity of spirit. He was curious about the world, eager to learn about others and reflexively loving, thoughtful, supportive and helpful. This combination of human traits can often be worn and depressed by time and age, but that wasn't the case with him. God blesses him.

Andrew K - September 03, 2024 at 10:00 AM

BB

“ I was Donn's and Dolores's massage therapist for a few years. They always treated me with extraordinary kindness!  
I remember Donn telling me a story, how he ended up giving Dolores a paddle for her birthday...family and friends know why. Also hearing him telling stories from his service, I wanted to laugh and cry at the same time!  
Donn was also first person to help me with my English. He corrected me not because he was criticizing me, but because he cared and wanted to help me!  
Donn, you will always have a place in my heart, I loved you like my dad!  
Keep a watch over Dolores from above!

Beata Bordas - August 26, 2024 at 08:08 PM

MM

“ My children (now adults) & I will always remember the many ways he brightened our lives. He was their advocate & cheerleader- even to the point of taking part in a 3 legged race on the 4th of July. He was interested in my work life and steered me in a good direction. His was generous with his time and attention. He will not be forgotten. We cared for him deeply as he cared for us.  
Mary McLaughlin, Donn's sister-in-law

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mary mclaughlin - August 04, 2024 at 01:25 PM

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Tina - March 15, 2025 at 03:00 PM

EK

“ He was our beloved Unca Donn and he called me Little El. So very good to my brother and me, an example of a kind, loving man. His love story with Dolores was wonderful to witness.  
Donn's niece, Ellen

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Ellen Keith - August 01, 2024 at 10:08 AM