



Donald Dean Adams

March 30, 1942 - September 5, 2020

Donald Dean Adams, age 78, passed away on Saturday evening, September 5, 2020 in Huntsville, Texas. Don was born to Maurice and Dorothy Jones Adams on March 30, 1942 in Marietta, Georgia. Don's family moved to Houston, Texas when he was very young, and he grew up in the Heights area of Houston. During his High School years, Don was fascinated with electronics, loved rock and roll music, and became a part-time dance instructor. One of Don's trademarks was his "Front Combed Boogie" hairstyle that he sported the night he met and fell in love with his wife, Francis Anne. Don would often share how he met her through a mutual friend at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo and paid the Ferris Wheel Operator extra money to stop the ride for a few minutes when he and Francis were alone at the top. Don told his friends it was love at first sight, and within a year they were engaged and married. On the day of their wedding, Don worked in Houston and then drove to Huntsville, having two flat tires and a broken muffler on his car on the way to the Church for their wedding.

Once married, Don and Francis lived in Huntsville where he worked with his father-in-law, Clifford Guerrant, at the Guerrant's Lucky Seven grocery store, and the Guerrant-Adams Ranch. During this time, Don was active with the Huntsville Chamber of Commerce, serving as its President. Throughout the 1970's and 1980's, Don was involved in several local businesses and opened a small television and electronics repair company. Don continued his self-education in electronics and television technologies and was hired by NASA

as a flight video engineer to work on the Space Shuttle Systems. At NASA, he helped to develop the first live television transmissions from Space. In later years, Don and Francis moved back to the family ranch in Huntsville and Don taught computer repair courses for Wyndham School District in TDCJ.

Through the years, Don enjoyed camping and rafting trips down the river with his friends and family. Don loved to reminisce about the adventures he took with his wife and sons camping in Colorado and around Texas. Don remained active in the First United Methodist Church and Choir, and he was always willing to devote time and resources by operating sound, video, and computer equipment when needed.

Don was preceded in death by his parents, Maurice and Dorothy Jones Adams and his wife, Francis Anne Guerrant Adams. Don is survived by son Michael Dean Adams and wife, Kitna, of Decatur, grandchildren Ashley Adams, Austin Adams, Melissa Adams; son Mark Clifford Adams and wife, Missy, of Huntsville, granddaughter Melynda Tobias and husband, John, of North Zulch, great-grandchildren Addy and Collin Tobias; brother Norman Adams and sister Shirley Adams Roddenberry and their families.

The family will have a private interment service at this time and will hold a Celebration of Life Service in in the future.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions be made to the Chancel Choir of the First United Methodist Church of Huntsville. 1016 Sam Houston Ave, Huntsville, TX 77320 (936)295-5441.

Memorial condolences to the family may be made at www.shmfh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Donald Dean Adams*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *My sincere condolences to Mark and family. I have fond memories of Mr. Adams, always so kind. Sending love and prayers.*

~ Ruby Wolverton Cowan



Ruby Cowan - September 15, 2020 at 02:07 PM



“ *Mike,
My sincere condolences to you and Mark.
Praying for peace, comfort and strength for the family during this difficult time.
Robin(Woolcey) Gibbs*



Robin Gibbs - September 09, 2020 at 12:30 PM



“ *Rhonda Mauldin sent a virtual gift in memory of Donald Dean Adams*



Rhonda Mauldin - September 08, 2020 at 09:12 PM

BF

“ Thoughts and prayers are with each of you. In memories we find comfort, in time we find peace.



Bridgette (Neeley) Clay & family - September 08, 2020 at 06:32 PM

MH

“ M. Hyvl sent a virtual gift in memory of Donald Dean Adams



M. Hyvl - September 07, 2020 at 11:08 AM