



## Donald Edward Sanderson

March 21, 1937 - November 27, 2022

Donald E. Sanderson, born March 21, 1937, in Hartford, Connecticut, to the late Edward and Irene (Blomstrand) Sanderson, passed away peacefully on November 27, 2022, in Ocala, Florida.

Don grew up in Newington, CT and was a 1955 graduate of Newington High School. Following four years in the US Air Force, Don attended the Ward School of Electronics and was employed by IBM until his retirement. Don and Kathy were married on May 25, 1963, at Emanuel Lutheran Church in Hartford, CT. Job transfers brought them to Hyde Park, NY, for 17 years and Lexington, KY for another 17 years. They retired to Ocala, Florida in 1999. Don volunteered at Advent Hospital in Ocala and was active in the Ocala Palms Worship Community where he served as a Deacon. Sitka Lutheran Church in Sitka, AK, where he and Kathy served as Summer Volunteers on several occasions, holds a special place in their hearts. He enjoyed reading, golfing and playing cards with friends. Don and Kathy enjoyed traveling and cruising where they met many people who have become dear friends. He was a soccer enthusiast his whole life, as a player, a coach to his kids and a spectator at his children's and grandchildren's games. He was a diehard University of Kentucky sports fan.

He was preceded in death by his parents Edward and Irene Sanderson; his sister and brother-in-law, Audrey and Norman Heller; and his brother, Russell Sanderson. Don is survived by his wife of 59 years, Kathleen (May) Sanderson; son, Eric Sanderson (Tammy) of Hilliard, Ohio; daughter, Karen

Hill (Christian) of Powell, Ohio; son, Carl Sanderson (Dalena) of Dublin, Ohio; two granddaughters, Mia Hill and Alexa Hill; sister-in-law and husband, Linda and Frank Javarauckas of Connecticut; as well as several nieces, nephews and cousins. He enjoyed the company of many close friends who shared special moments with him throughout his life.

Per his request, there will be no memorial service at this time. The family would like to extend a sincere thank you to the many supportive friends and family, and the staff of West Marion Community Hospital and Cates Hospice House.

Memorial gifts may be made in Don's name to Sitka Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 598, Sitka, AK 99835; Ocala Palms Worship Community, P.O. Box 2775, NW 49th Ave, Suite 205-149, Ocala, FL, 34482; or Interfaith Emergency Services, P.O. Box 992, Ocala, FL 34478.

# Tribute Wall

JD

“ *Kathy...our hearts are saddened by the loss of Don. May you and your family know he had many friends here in Ocala Palms and we cherish knowing him over the years. May knowing he is at peace bring you comfort.*

*Sincerely, Joe and Barb Dedics*

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**Joe and Barbara Dedics** - December 01, 2022 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ *Kathy, so sorry to hear of Don's passing. My sincerest condolences. You were both blessed with many years of love and devotion.*

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**Anita Shaffer** - December 01, 2022 at 12:00 AM

HB

“ *To the Sanderson Family. My thoughts and prayers are with everyone. I will keep the memories of knowing everyone when you lived in Greentree Park and we were neighbors. RIP Mr. Sanderson.*

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**Helen Doyl Bruce** - November 30, 2022 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ *So sorry to hear about Don's passing. So glad you had Eric there with you. It's hard to think of him in past tense... We have known you both for so many years. Our prayers are with you and your family...*

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**Paul and Gwen Bucklin** - November 30, 2022 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ We are so sorry to hear this sad news. I have fond memories of Don from when we used to visit my mom and dad in Ocala. My son Matthew remembers having fun playing golf with him. We are keeping you close in thoughts and prayers.

Karen and John Brett - November 30, 2022 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ Don was such a nice person. May you be comforted by memories of the wonderful times you've spent together. Our thoughts are with you Kathy.  
- Allison and Jamie Pyle



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Karen and John Brett - November 30, 2022 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ My thoughts and Prayers go to the entire Sanderson family! Eric I'm so glad you were there with your mom and family.



Kris Dwyer - November 30, 2022 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ Our family will always have very fond memories of the nice person Don was. He always made our daughter, Carolyn, feel special because they shared the same birthday. Our thoughts are with Kathy and the family.

Christine, Steve, and Carolyn Wisser - November 30, 2022 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ So very sorry for your loss. My prayers to your family.



Janet blain - November 29, 2022 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ Thoughts and prayers are with his family. God Bless you Don!



Shane Litton - November 29, 2022 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ RIP my friend

Carl Sale - November 29, 2022 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ To the Sanderson family: You are in my thoughts and prayers. Heaven gain another angel!! Much love!

Lynette Craven - November 29, 2022 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ So very sorry for your loss. My prayers to your family.

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**Janet blain** - November 29, 2022 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Your family is in my thoughts and prayers. May God hold you close and bring you peace and comfort during this difficult time.

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**Cheryl Fuson** - November 29, 2022 at 12:00 AM