



Donald Duane Bogotaitis

June 9, 1950 - February 24, 2020

Bogotaitis, Donald Duane, age 69 passed away Monday, February 24, 2020 suddenly with his loving sister and brother-in-law at his side. Dear son of the late Beverly & Joseph McDevitt and Leonard Bogotaitis. Survived by brother Joseph (Mary Kay Edelen) McDevitt of Blue Ridge, Georgia, sister Melissa (Thomas) Henaughen of Plymouth, Michigan and brother-in-law John Kovanda of Batavia, Illinois. Loving father of Donnie, Mark (Kelly), and Kimberly (Smith) Her. Proud grandfather of Maximus, Sophia, Alexander, Hailey, Alexia, and Liliana. Also survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives, and dear friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and sister Kathleen McDevitt "Kathi" Kovanda.

Donald was born in Detroit on June 9, 1950 and raised in Livonia. He spent most of his life in Michigan and 13 years in Phoenix, AZ. Donald was a pilot, flight Instructor, Northville volunteer fire fighter, loved sharing his vast knowledge of history and he loved the era he grew up in. Donald enjoyed Harley Davidson fundraiser rides, boating, was an avid waterskier, target shooting, and bowling. He had an appreciation of vintage cars, oldies music, Daly Drive-In, and Bates Hamburgers. He cherished his cats; Sadie & Patches and canine buddies; Mia & Gili. He'd take solace in the fact of his last mode of transportation here on earth was via helicopter flight in the sky, for he loved to fly! Gathering Sunday March 1st 4-9 PM with a 7 PM Scripture Service at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Rd. W., (btwn Sheldon & Beck) Plymouth. Prayers Monday, March 2nd 9:30 AM at the

funeral home to process for a 10 AM Gathering until the 10:30 AM Memorial Mass at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, 47650 N. Territorial Rd., Plymouth, MI 48170 . In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Huron Valley Humane Society, 3100 Cherry Hill Rd., Ann Arbor, MI 48105. To share a memory, please use the share a memory tab on this web page.

Previous Events

Gathering of Family and Friends

MAR 1. 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Plymouth
46401 Ann Arbor Road West
Plymouth, MI 48170
(734) 459-2250
plymouth@vermeulenh.com

Scripture Service

MAR 1. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Prayer Service

MAR 2. 9:30 AM - 9:45 AM (ET)

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Gathering of Family and Friends

MAR 2. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church
47650 North Territorial Road
Plymouth, MI 48170

Memorial Mass

MAR 2. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Donald Duane Bogotaitis*

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *Dearest Don. You were my best friend's eldest brother. My best friend, your sister Kathi went ahead of you to Mom to prepare for your home coming. I didn't know you intimately but I knew you well enough to believe you are in heaven, at peace, with your family who has gone before you. God bless you. You are another Angel in heaven for those of us left still on earth. Pray for us as we will for you. Rest peacefully. Love, Karen and Rob.*



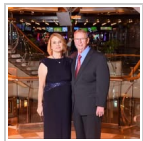
Robert J Williams - March 01, 2020 at 08:08 PM



“ *Don was my older cousin, hadn't seen him in years, but I remember him well. So sorry to hear of his passing*



Dianne McDevitt Riefler - February 29, 2020 at 01:09 PM



“ *Mary Banks lit a candle in memory of Donald Duane Bogotaitis*



Mary Banks - February 27, 2020 at 04:47 PM

ME

“ *My eldest brother, our best friend.... we miss you already! It must be comforting that you are in heaven with Bumma on her birthday today! We cherish our times together, especially these last 3 1/2 years. Tom's buddy with the envious head of hair! Whether sitting poolside in every season, grocery shopping, target shooting or barber shop visits (w/Tom), holidays with us all... we'll continue baking 3 batches of Russian Tea Cakes upon your insistence on Cookie Day and play "Mele Kalikimaka" just for you, hahaha. You are our favorite firefighter, pilot, and historian. As you know, we (Melissa, Tom, Kendall, & Erika) love you soooo very much.*

Best Oldest Brother ever!

With love,

Your family

melissa - February 26, 2020 at 10:27 PM

VF

“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



Vermeulen FH - February 26, 2020 at 05:29 PM