

## Donald "Don" Stanley Harter

August 4, 1933 - May 11, 2016

Donald Stanley Harter passed away Wednesday, May 11th, 2016 at the age of 82. Don was born on August 4th, 1933 in New Orleans to William (Bill) Harter and Irma Rider Harter.

Don proudly played football and baseball for the Jesuit Blue Jays. He was also a member of the 1950 City and State championship baseball teams.

Mr. Harter also played semi-pro baseball which took him across much of the country. Then he enlisted in the U. S. Marine Corp as a demolitions expert. Don spent half his time blowing up old ordinance and the other half playing baseball for the Marine Corp!

Don lived most of his life in Covington and the surrounding area. Hunting and fishing were also his passion. As a young man and avid outdoorsman in Mandeville in the 1960s, he wrote a hunting and fishing column for "The Bataam". Many of the old time fishermen and hunters were outdone because he gave away their secret areas of fish and game!

Mr. Harter also loved horses. He established Holly Hill Stables in Abita Springs. Don and his children rode hunters and jumpers. Many of their friends kept their horses at the stables. This led Don also to play polo which he loved the best. He was always a fierce competitor in anything he tried.

In later years, he became a ranger, known as "Old Don "on the Beau Chene Golf Course. He not only learned another sport (golf), but he fished the ponds of the subdivision. Don taught many a man how to fly fish and kayak.

Don is survived by his children Anne Harter Brandt (Jeb) of Covington, Susan Harter Dennis (Robert) of Ponchatoula, and John C. Harter (Christina) of Omaha, NE. He is also survived by his devoted brother and sister-in-law, William (Billy) and Elsie Harter of Picayune, MS; grandchildren, Brian J. Brandt (Casey) of Covington, Tara Alford Efferson (Hunter) of Robert, Christian and Seth Harter of Omaha, NE. Great- grandchildren,

Presleigh and Ali Brandt and Corina Moraru.

All funeral services are private.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in memory of Mr. Harter to be made to the charity of your choice.

## Comments



Oon's sharp wit and friendly banter will be greatly missed by all who played golf at Beau Chene. Rest in Peace "Blue Jay". Be with God. Larry Oggs

Larry Oggs - May 16 at 01:11 AM



66 My sincerest sympathy to Don's family. Don was a "character" who I will never forget. We enjoyed fly fishing trips together in Arkansas, Empire, Bayou Castaine, Lacombe and even in Beau Chene ponds. He told amazing stories of his colorful life in sports, hunting, fishing, horses, polo and life in general. I will truly miss him.

Lloyd Gautreaux

Lloyd Gautreaux - May 15 at 08:57 AM



Dear Susan, Anne, and John, and Families, I was saddened to hear of Mr Don's passing yesterday. I loved to hear him tell his stories whenever I saw him. May your memories of the good times you shared with him comfort you in the days ahead. You are all in my thoughts and prayers, your friend, Jeanne Aceves Smith

Jeanne Aceves Smith - May 12 at 04:49 PM



Our deepest sympathy to the family. Don was a good friend of mine. Enjoyed many talks with him during our time at Beau Chene. He will be sadly missed by many who knew his kindness.

Will be praying for all of you during this sad time. God Bless.

Ed and Jeanie Guynes

Jeanie Guynes - May 12 at 08:44 AM