



Don Whiteside

September 25, 1939 - October 17, 2016

Don Whiteside, lifetime Elmo resident, passed away peacefully on Oct. 17, 2016 at his home. He was born Sept. 25, 1939 in Terrell, to Griff and Ola Mae (Shepard) Whiteside, both of whom preceded him in death along with his brother, Jack Holton Whiteside, parents-in-law: Edgar and Eula B. Jordan, sister-in-law, Sue Johnson and brother-in-law, Charles Dudley.

Don had a personality that never excluded anyone or any activity and his ability to be a solid foundation for his family along with being a steadfast local resident is a legacy that will be treasured by all who knew him. He had a reputation for being the one to call whenever anyone needed anything and he served in several roles, besides devoted husband and loving father, for his occupations and his community. Growing up, Don attended Elmo schools and graduated Wills Point HS in 1957 and then attended what was then Henderson County Jr. College (now TVCC). He worked skillfully in construction with his specialty being carpentry and roofing. As a young man, Don's hobby was flying his Piper Cub and getting a perfect view of the land he loved so much. He served in the Army National Guard for 14 years and was a member of Artesia Lodge #406 A.F. & A.M. having served as Past Master and past District Deputy Grand Master. He also was a member of Scottish Rite . Don was also elected Constable for Pct. 3 in Kaufman County for 12 years, served as a bailiff for Judge Maxine Darst and was also an officer for Kaufman County Litter Abatement retiring after 21 years of serving Kaufman County. When he wasn't helping his neighbors and the residents of Kaufman County,

he could be found spending time with family and friends riding four-wheelers, his Honda Goldwing, gardening, hunting and, his very favorite, fishing. A warm smile with a wonderful spirit, Don will be missed greatly by all who had the privilege of knowing him.

He leaves to cherish his legacy his loving wife, Linda Whiteside of Elmo; sons: Dean Whiteside and partner, A.J. Juarez, of Terrell; Landon Whiteside and wife, Gina of Elmo; grandsons: Colt Whiteside (Holly Griffith) and Clay Whiteside, all of Elmo; brother, Tommy Whiteside and wife, Wanda of Elmo; sister, Margaret Dudley of Elmo; sister-in-law, Bobbie Whiteside of Louisiana as well as several nieces, nephews, extended family and a host of friends. A Celebration of Don's life will be held at 3:00pm, Friday, October 21, 2016 at Max Slayton Funeral Chapel with the family receiving friends beginning at 2:00pm until service time. Don's family is planning an interment at a later date at Elmo Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family has asked for memorials in Don's name to be made to the Elmo Cemetery Association, PO Box 124, Elmo, TX, 75118.

Previous Events

Gathering of Family and Friends

OCT **21**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Don Whiteside*

October 08, 2023 at 07:43 PM



“ *Don Whiteside always had a smile for all. He was a friend of mine and we worked together for Kaufman county for a few years. We always talked about going fishing when we retired but never got around to going. I didn't know that he had passed away and I know that he is missed. I sure wish that we had gone fishing. James Sexton--pct4 Kaufman county.*

JAMES SEXTON - June 28, 2017 at 09:51 AM



“ *I just found out about Don passing away. I was a tour bus driver for many years and Don and Linda went with me. Don and I spent a lot of time talking on the trips. Don was the type of man that to know him was to like him. We sent each other emails every week.*
James Reed

James E. Reed - November 12, 2016 at 03:56 PM



“ *Dear to the Family*

Sorry for the lost of your dear love one. There is hope, the Bible says that there will be a resurrection of the righteous and the unrighteous.

Act 24:15

Ursula Ervin - October 24, 2016 at 09:13 AM

FG

“ Dear Linda, Dean, Landon and families. We are so very sorry for the loss of Don. He was a very special man. Always there whenever he was needed. Friends Jim and Fran Gordon and Family

Fran Gordon - October 23, 2016 at 01:15 AM

TD

“ The Maintenance Department purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Don Whiteside.



The Maintenance Department - October 21, 2016 at 11:13 AM



“ 89 files added to the album Life Tributes



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - October 21, 2016 at 10:02 AM

PW

“ Dear Landon, Gina, Colt, Holly and Clay, I am so sorry to hear about Don. I loved talking to him and asking him questions. He always had good stories about growing up there. I will always picture him sitting on his 4 wheeler eating fried catfish! My thoughts and prayers are with you. My sincere condolences. Patty



Patty Wade - October 20, 2016 at 07:24 PM

VB

“ Dean, very sorry for your loss, and many thoughts and prayers going out to you and your family. God bless,
Von Breaux

Von Breaux - October 20, 2016 at 08:21 AM

AP

“ Linda I am so sorry to hear about Don my prayers are with you and your family

Alice Patton - October 20, 2016 at 07:40 AM

CS

“ Dear Linda,Dean,Landon & family, We were so sorry to hear about Don. He was a giant among men who always had a smile on his face. May God comfort you during this time. Love to each of you.
With deepest sympathy, Karo & Wilson & family

Carolyn Stewart - October 20, 2016 at 05:34 AM

VC

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. May God bless you and may your memories of happier times give you peace and comfort.

Vera Harris Calvin

Vera Calvin - October 19, 2016 at 12:32 PM

SG

“ Shari Gervers sent a virtual gift in memory of Don Whiteside



Shari Gervers - October 19, 2016 at 10:45 AM

BI

“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Jason and I are keeping you and your family in our prayers.

Bill/Jason

Bill - October 19, 2016 at 10:06 AM

SB

“ Dean, my thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family. I am so blessed to count you as my friend and am so very sorry for your loss. Parents are super special. You only get one of each in this life and I know your father meant the world to you. Hugs to you and yours. XO



Stacey Browning - October 19, 2016 at 09:30 AM



“ I had the honor of growing up in Elmo with Don't as a neighbor. And attending school with Landon and of course like all Elmolins we all hunted,fished and ran the roads together in our youth. Don was always there as a father figure to all us guys weather he was helping us or punishing us he always done it with a smile on his face. Mr.Don Whiteside thank you RIP.

Chris White - October 18, 2016 at 10:55 PM

BC

“ Our condolences to the family, Don was a great man and he will be missed by many, God Bless! Billy & Jennie Cox



Billy & Jennie Cox - October 18, 2016 at 10:34 PM

ST

“ MR DON WHITESIDE WAS ONE OF MY FAVORITE GUYS (PATIENTS) HE MADE SURE HE SMILED AND GOT A HUG ..I TRULY SEEING HIM .SADDENS ME I DIDN'T GET TO SAY GOODBYE. ..MY LOVE TO YOU MRS LINDA AND to HIS LOVES THAT ARE WITH YOU ...XOXOXO KISSES TO U .I WILL KEEP U My PARKERS !



Stone_angelia@yahoo.com - October 18, 2016 at 08:42 PM

SM

“ Linda and family, so sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Susan McBride - October 18, 2016 at 08:32 PM

VB

Mrs. Linda, Dean, Landon & family, you have our sincerest prayers. The Whiteside families have been a part of our lives for so very many years so we feel this separation with you. Again, praying with & for you. Harden & Battle family.

Vockie Battle - October 18, 2016 at 10:11 PM

MS

Don was a good friend for many years. He will be missed greatly. With Gods help, we will find a way to continue. Much love to his family. Linda we are here for you. Smutty and Nell

martin smitty smith - October 19, 2016 at 06:33 AM

JA

“ Rip Uncle Don!! We love you and will miss you!!!

jackie - October 18, 2016 at 07:58 PM

VD

“ To Dean and family: Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Vicki Decker

Vicki Decker - October 18, 2016 at 04:45 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss, but know that Don is rejoicing with the Lord. I am thankful and blessed for knowing Don and working with him at different disasters during my tenure with Red Cross. Lots of great memories. He always knew how to make us smile during the worst of times.

Thank you Lord for allowing me to know this man.

Lori Lindsey

Lori Lindsey - October 18, 2016 at 12:26 PM

BF

My prayers goes out to Don's family ,I really enjoyed working with Don while I was with the Kaufman County Sheriff's Department he will be missed but never forgotten may he RIP.

Billy R Frosch - October 18, 2016 at 08:24 PM

SW

*Linda and Family,
Kaufman County lost a wonderful man with Don passing and We are so sorry for your loss. We rejoice knowing that Don is resting in our Lord's arms and pain free. May God comfort you during this time.
With deepest sympathy,
Sarah and Charles Whitaker*

Sarah Whitaker - October 21, 2016 at 11:07 AM



“ *Glyn Flowers lit a candle in memory of Don Whiteside*



Glyn Flowers - October 18, 2016 at 02:23 AM

SD

Don, was such a FINE man in his "walk." In the worst of time, the loss of my husband, Dan Jones, he took compassion on me when my boys did illegal dumping (unknown to me) trying to help their mom. Because of Don, I was not fined when called to court. God bless him and his family. I am truly sorry!!

Sandy Jones DeLaMater - October 18, 2016 at 06:05 PM

NC

Linda, even tho you are my first cousin and was married to Don for 60 years (I think that's correct), in all those years I met him on twice but I know he was a good husband and father. You will miss him terribly but he is in a much better place and free of pain. Cherish your memories with Don because they will get you thru the lonely times and there will be many of those. I know because my husband went to be with the Lord almost 15 yrs ago and I still miss him but I have my memories. I love you and will be thinking of you and unfortunately, I am unable to attend the memorial service since I live so far away. God bless you and your family.

Nancy Stone Conner, Hodgenville, KY

Nancy Stone Conner - October 18, 2016 at 08:45 PM

DM

To Dean and Family: Words can't express how saddened we are to hear of your loss. Donna Mays

Donna Mays - October 19, 2016 at 06:07 AM

AF

Dean, I am so sorry to hear about you loss. My thoughts are with you and your family.

Al Fields

Al Fields - October 19, 2016 at 07:32 AM

DW

Mrs. Linda and Dean and the rest of the family, so sorry to hear about Mr. Don. May all of the wonderful memories you have of him help comfort you and get you thru this season. Praying that God will sooth your heavy hearts.

Diane and Alice Miles, Elmo Tx

Diane Williams - October 21, 2016 at 09:05 AM