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Donald E. Snyder, age 65, of St. Clair, passed away peacefully with family by his side on January 9, 2021. He was born July 9, 1955 to the late Clifford and Leona Snyder. Don graduated from St. Clair High School in 1973. He earned his Bachelors Degree in Mechanical Engineering from Michigan State University, and continued to be an avid Spartans fan. Don proudly served his country in the United States Army as a member of 118th MP Co., 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg. Following his time in the service Don married Mary Ellyn Beier on September 12, 1980. He worked for the Detroit Edison for 32 years. For many years Don coached boys and girls AYSO and travel soccer teams. In his spare time Don enjoyed doing home improvement projects for his children and grandchildren. Most of all, Don cherished the time he spent with his family and friends, especially his grandchildren, who he adored.

He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Mary Ellyn; children, Brent (Amanda) Snyder, Dayna Snyder; grandchildren, Jaxson and Zoey, as well as many other family members and friends.

Cremation arrangements by Young Funeral Home, China Twp. Private family services are being conducted. A celebration of Don's life will take place this summer of 2021. Memorials are suggested to St. Clair County Allied Veterans P.O. Box 611341, Port Huron, MI 48060. To leave a message of comfort visit www.youngcolonial.com.



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Cemetery Details

 Cremation



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MI

Michael Clancy Warren, Rhode Island posted:

I served with Don at the 118th Military Police Company (Airborne). He was a solid paratrooper and all-around good guy. RIP my brother.

February 28 at 11:45 AM

CJ

Curt Johnson posted:

We're very sorry to here of Don's passing. He was a very nice, easy going cousin. We used to have lots of fun as kids at Kenny and Madeline's house, where the family would get together. As we grew up our family became distant. After many years we met again at Roy's funeral. Nothing seemed to change. We just got a lot older. Just having a chance to meet him again had a lot of meaning to me. Don was very successful in life. He met a girl, married her, raised two children, and lived long enough to see his grandchildren. To me, that is a life well lived. We will miss him.Curt, Gwendolyn, and Dorothy Johnson

January 19 at 7:36 AM

KS

Kathleen Shields posted:

Don and I worked on the ISO 14001 project at St. Clair. He took a leadership role in the Environmental Management System and approached it with mutual respect and some humor. I appreciated Don's efforts to make the ISO program a success at SCPP. I have wonderful memories of our discussions after the meetings where we'd talk about our kids and our spouses. He was a dedicated father and husband and I was proud to have worked with him.

January 15 at 12:06 PM



Anonymous sent a Medium Dish Garden to the Snyder family.



January 14 at 10:32 AM

RO

Robert Oldani posted:

I also had the pleasure to work with Don at the STCPP. He was a smart engineer who always was there in time of need. His greatest trait was his people skills, clearly indicated by the great respect people had for him. To Don's family, while his passing is difficult, be comforted by the fact that his spirit lives on in each one of you.Bob Oldani

January 13 at 6:34 PM



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Anonymous sent an Arrive in Style to the Snyder family.



January 13 at 9:16 AM



Joe McCormick posted:

Don and I became good Detroit Edison friends in the 1980s when I was at Marysville PP. A good man with an excellent sense of humor. I'm very sad to hear of his passing and send along my sincere condolences. Joe McCormick

January 13 at 7:49 AM



Anonymous sent a Sweet Tenderness to the Snyder family.



January 13 at 7:42 AM



Sue Uppleger posted:

Mar, I am so sorry for your loss. He was such a good guy! Please accept my deepest sympathies. Sue Gibson Uppleger

January 12 at 7:17 AM



Anonymous sent a Tender Tribute to the Snyder family.



January 12 at 5:38 AM



Mollie Richard posted:

I worked in Fuel Supply at STCPP when Don was the Manager of FS. Wonderful man who loved his family. He was a great guy to work for. RIP ❤️

January 11 at 3:02 PM



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DC

David Crum posted:

My condolences to Don's family. I worked with him in the early days of AMO. He is what I looked forward to seeing at work those days (late 90s). He brought many positive traits to the job. I can't believe this announcement.

January 11 at 1:57 PM

GS

Gary R Snyder posted:

Mary Ellen and family - Our prayers are with you to help you through this most difficult time. The memories Don created with his immediate and extended family will provide a bright light that will not be extinguished. His memories will be cherished by all who knew him. God bless and keep him forever. - Gary And Cindy Snyder (cousins forever!).

January 11 at 12:04 PM

DZ

Debbie (Grice) Zimmer posted:

Mary Ellen, I am deeply sorry for your loss. My thoughts are with you and your family. Hold on to your memories and may time help you heal and find peace. ❤️ Debbie Grice Zimmer

January 11 at 9:36 AM

RT

Rick Tebeau posted:

Way back when, Don and myself played on the same SC football team. We were running sprints in the dark, soaking wet and exhausted. In between breaths, Don turns to me and sez "man I could go for a cheeseburger, someone make me a cheeseburger!" I turned to Don with my pretend magic wand and said "OK YOUR A CHEESEBURGER"! Though it doesn't seem funny now, we laughed our butts off. I never called Don by his real name again! He was now "CHEESEBURGER". Later in life I had the honor of working under Don at DTE. He was the best boss DTE ever hired!!! God Bless him and his family! Gonna miss ya Cheeseburger!! rick and mary tebeau

January 10 at 5:41 PM

JM

James C Minton posted:

To Mary Elynn and family: My wife and I extend our deepest sympathy for your loss. My memories of growing up with great classmates are renewed. Do take care and know you and your entire family are in our prayers.

January 10 at 5:12 PM



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Jane Sargent posted:

MaryEllen, I am so sorry for your loss my sincere condolences to you and your family!!Jane Sargent

January 10 at 12:40 PM



Cathy Ingles posted:

My sincere sympathy to the entire family♥

January 10 at 9:23 AM



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MM

Michele Malane posted:

Don Snyder was the closest to perfect you could get. Always a gentleman. Mary Ellyn, I am so sorry for your loss. Don was a blessing. In high school he was always so kind and eager to help out whenever needed, not to mention smart. God love you and your children with this loss. Michele Malane

January 10 at 9:16 AM

JP

John Preston January 12 at 10:51 AM

I had the great pleasure of working with Don on and off through out many years. He always cared about the people he worked with. He will be sorely missed. John and Julie Preston

TC

Terry & Dorothy Clark January 11 at 6:55 PM

Mary Ellen & family, we were sad to hear Don passed, our thoughts & concerns with you & your family

AP

Amy Philp January 11 at 4:25 PM

Dear Mary Ellyn, I'm deeply sorry to hear of Don's passing. I remember him from our school days as a wonderful person. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Warm regards, Amy Thompson Philp


SM

Susan Markel January 11 at 1:34 PM

Our deepest sympathy for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

DR

Douglas Richard January 11 at 12:54 PM

My condolences to the Snyder family. It was my honor to work under one of the best managers ever. And the nicest person you could ever know. RIP Don. 

KM

Keith Marthen January 11 at 5:53 AM

Mary Ellyn & Children: Linda & I extend our deepest sympathy for your loss. Don and I worked many years together, he was one of the great people to have known. Keith & Linda Marthen

DD

Dennis D Duffy January 11 at 5:44 AM

I remember Don from the time at SCPP. A nice gentleman and always friendly and respectfully of all whom he associated with. A real pleasure to work with. He will be sorely missed. Rip, and blessings to your family.. Dennis D Duffy.....

GE

Gary Eisen January 10 at 3:45 PM

So many good times and memories, so sad..... Gary Eisen

SR

Sue Rogers January 10 at 1:32 PM

I had the pleasure of working with and for Don his entire DTE career. Always patient, nice and helpful. One of my top 3 supervisors. So sorry to hear of his passing. Hugs and warm thoughts to family. He will be missed. Sue Rogers



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Laurel Wisniewski January 10 at 1:08 PM

Mary Ellyn, I am so very sorry for your loss. You were both always kind and smiling in school; traits I'm sure still continue. Laurel Wisniewski



Diane Mollan posted:

Mary Ellyn, Brent and Dayna, we are so saddened by the loss of your husband and dad. He was a great friend and boss to me (LeRoy) and the BEST campaign manager I ever had (Diane). We will miss him and will hold many wonderful memories of our friendship. Rest In Peace good buddy!

January 10 at 8:29 AM



Patti(Gallagher)Janis January 15 at 2:13 AM

Dear Mary Ellyn, I'm very sorry for your loss. I remember Don as such a nice guy. Didn't surprise me when the two of you married. Two of the nicest people in high school. Many warm thoughts and prayers to the family.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Donald by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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