



R. Donald Whiteleather

November 17, 1926 - September 6, 2014

WARREN - R. Donald Whiteleather, 87, died September 6, 2014 at his residence, Shepherd of the Valley in Howland. He was born November 17, 1926 in Salem, OH, the son of the late Ralph and Mary (Stiver) Whiteleather.

Mr. Whiteleather graduated from Salem High School in 1944. He attended Kent State University on the G.I. bill and graduated with a degree in Business Administration. He worked for Mullins Mfg., Youngstown Kitchens, and Spacelinks. Donald was of the catholic faith. He served in the U.S.Army during WWII in the 67th Engineer Topical Company in the Pacific theatre. He enjoyed being a husband, father, and a proud grandfather, spending as much time as he could with his family.

He leaves his son, Mark D. (Mary Ann) Whiteleather of Boardman; daughter, Susan E.(Thomas) Watson of Warren; brother, Keith Whiteleather of Indian Lake, Fla., and 3 grandchildren, Michele Whiteleather, Thomas Watson, and Patrick Watson.

Preceding him in death was his wife of 53 years, Joan Wooke Whiteleather, and his brother, Wayne Whiteleather.

Family will receive guests on Tuesday, September 9, 2014 from 5:30 pm -7:30 pm at McFarland & Son Funeral Home in Warren. The Funeral Service will

immediately follow visitation with Fr. Thomas Eisweirth of Blessed Sacrament Church officiating. Private interment will take place with full military honors at Crown Hill Burial Park in Vienna, Ohio.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Donald's favorite charity, The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation at www.cff.org/tribute/whiteleather, or, CF Foundation, 6931 Arlington Rd., Bethesda, MD, 20814.

Arrangements are entrusted to McFarland and Son Funeral and Cremation Services Co, 271 North Park Avenue, Warren, OH 44481, 330-393-9621. Please visit www.McFarlandCares.com to view this obituary, and send condolences.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **25**. 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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Service

DEC **25**. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JB

“ *My deepest sympathies to you Sue and family. My prayer for you this week will be that of comfort and fond memories. God Bless you.*

John Burr - September 25, 2014 at 09:55 AM

BT

“ *My deepest sympathy to the family.*

Bim Turner - September 25, 2014 at 09:55 AM

CR

“ *So sorry to hear of your loss of your dad,
(They were our neighbors on Westwood. I (Edith) went to school &
worked with your mom. You are in our prayers and thoughts.
Our sincere sympathy to all of you.*

Sincerely

Carl & Edith (D'Altorio) Ritch

Carl & Edith Ritch - September 25, 2014 at 09:55 AM

PB

“ *Susan, Tom , Thomas and Patrick
We are saddened to find out about the passing of your father and
grandfather. Another Veteran from a great generation. We hope you
find comfort during this difficult time.*

Pat, Jim, Monica, Margot Fisher and Marcella Burgess

Patricia Burgess-Fisher - September 25, 2014 at 09:55 AM

SK

“ Dear Mark, Sue and family,
I was sad to learn of your father's passing and recalled the dads of our childhood neighborhood with a smile. I can remember many Sunday's where your home was filled with the aroma of sauerkraut and your dad tending the stove. The laid back style was cool, calm and to be envied. His gentle nature was set aside when he welcomed me like a member of the family at Sue's wedding with the most generous hug. Our "Westwood family" was the best and set us all the right path. Don Whiteleather's role in my life experience can't be adequately captured in this remembrance. My love to you as you grieve his passing and celebrate his life and legacy. With sympathy,
"Suzie P"

suzanne Koehler - September 25, 2014 at 09:55 AM



“ Offering our deepest condolences during this time

September 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM