



## Donald Hays Cochrane

January 11, 1943 - October 6, 2021

Donald Hays Cochrane, age 78 years, a resident of Goreville, Illinois, passed away Wednesday morning, October 6, 2021, at 2:37 AM at the Heartland Regional Medical Center in Marion, Illinois.

Donald was born January 11, 1943 in Ewing, Illinois. He was the son of Clement Cochrane and Ruth (Hays) Cochrane.

On July 23, 1999, Donald was united in marriage to Barbara Sue Smith at Goreville. She survives.

Donald is also survived by: a son – Darin (his wife, Tobbie) Cochrane of Bluford, Illinois and family: Amelia (Alex) Cochrane and Bailee of Obilio, Texas, Taylor (Dustin) Eubanks, Everett and Pryor of Paducah, Kentucky, Brittney (Jeremiah) Adams, Malakai and Brynnlee of Belle Rive, Illinois, and Darian (Alex) Cochrane, D.J., Braela, and Jasper of Mt. Vernon, Illinois; stepchildren – Kim (Larry) Vaughn and family: Justin (Rachelle) Vaughn, Trey, Kaden, Kailee, & Everett, Tonya (Jim) Sears, and Erik Loeh.

Donald was preceded in death by his parents – Clement and Ruth (Hays) Cochrane-Pryor.

Donald was a 1961 graduate of Benton High School. Donald was employed

as a purchasing agent by the National Railroad Equipment Company in Mt. Vernon, Illinois, prior to his retirement.

Donald was an avid NASCAR fan. His favorite drivers were Dale Earnhardt, Sr. and Jeff Gordon. Donald also had a deep love of music. He was a vocalist and played the trumpet.

A graveside service honoring the life of Donald Cochrane will be conducted Wednesday afternoon, October 13, 2021, at 2 PM at Busby Chapel Cemetery, south of Goreville. Dr. Ron Ferguson will officiate. Inurnment will follow.

Those attending the service are invited to gather at the cemetery at 1:45 PM Wednesday.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Mt. Zion Baptist Church, c/o Bob Prater, Treasurer, 110 Proctor Avenue, Buncombe, IL 62912.

# Cemetery Details

## Busby Chapel Cemetery

IL Route 37 South  
Goreville, IL

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

OCT 13. 2:00 PM (CT)

Busby Chapel Cemetery  
IL Route 37 South  
Goreville, IL

# Tribute Wall



“ *Donald Hays Cochrane*

January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ *Donald,  
I didn't know you as well as I would have liked to but what I did know of you is you were a good man. I do know your son Darin well, he is a fine man and I know you are partly the reason. He carries your torch well and I know you are as proud to call him son as I am to call him son-in-law.  
Save me a seat in heaven. If I make it, We'll share some more stories.  
Michael Herzing*

michael herzing - October 12, 2021 at 06:34 AM



“ *Bobby Rentfro lit a candle in memory of Donald Hays Cochrane*



Bobby Rentfro - October 12, 2021 at 12:44 AM



*So sorry*

Mary Kovarik-McCann - October 13, 2021 at 11:31 AM



*I'm praying comfort for you all, his loved ones!*

Lesla Morlan - October 13, 2021 at 05:31 PM