



# Donald C. Dillen Sr.

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## **Donald C. Dillen Sr.**

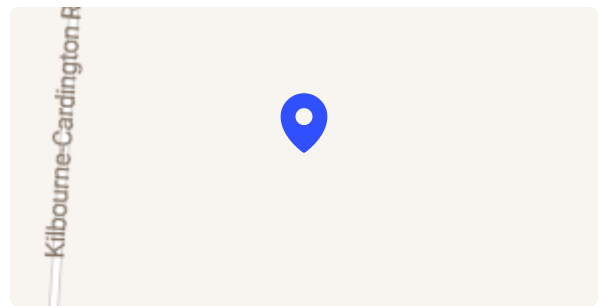
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**D**onald C. Dillen, Sr. of Strongsville, passed away on Tuesday, July 22nd. Born October 23, 1938, he is survived by a loving wife, siblings, children, grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. An Army veteran, seasoned salesman, and known simply as “Papa” to many, he greatly enjoyed a sunny summer day of fishing, cruising with his grandkids on the golf cart, and enjoying a giant slice of Key Lime pie after his seafood dinner. In our cold Cleveland months, he loved to tinker in his woodshop, solve jigsaw puzzles, and incessantly tease his family. He will be sorely missed for his humor, orneriness, and willingness to share a good tale with anyone and everyone. Private services are being arranged by Jardine Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice Services of Southwest General 18659 Drake Road, Strongsville, OH 44136. [www.jardinefh.com](http://www.jardinefh.com)



**Cemetery Details**

 **PRIVATE**  
OH





## Tribute Wall

Donald C. Dillen Sr.

SG

**Suzann Glenn** posted:

I remember attending all those soccer games watching Chris and Jeff play. Also all the tennis matches they were in. I know he will be missed by his family and we offer our sympathy to all the members. Sue, Jerry Glenn and family

August 6 at 5:55 AM



**Anonymous** sent a With Deepest Sympathy Gift Basket to the Dillen family.



July 29 at 8:08 AM

MD

**Marty Dillen** posted:

I met Don almost 45 years ago when I started dating his brother, Jerry. He loved joking around and having a good time. As many have stated, Don loved his family unashamedly. What greater legacy could one leave? He will be missed by all as he was so socially minded and loved to talk to anyone. My heart grieves for Lynn and Don and Jeff and all the rest of the family. May he rest in peace!

July 29 at 7:44 AM

GJ

**Greg Juszczuk** posted:

So sorry for your loss. Don was a great man who we met about 10 years ago thru the Paces. My 2 sons and I fished with Don at Shore Nuf charters he was our first mate and we always tried to book a trip he was working. Both my sons loved Don he would talk with them and laugh with them as if they were his own grandchildren. He will definitely be missed but will live on in all the memories we have of the times fishing with him over the years! Greg, Ryan and Tyler Juszczuk

July 29 at 4:15 AM

BM

**Brian And Michelle** posted:

The Dillen Family: Our warmest condolences. Don "Papa" was a great neighbor who will truly be missed. He was so fond and proud of his family. We always enjoyed the drive by conversations up at the lake and will never forget him. Every talk resulted in laughs. He will always be our neighbor and in our memories. We appreciate the talks, the friendliness, great company and his golf cart rides with the kiddos. Love, Michelle, Brian, Owen and Callie

July 25 at 10:56 AM



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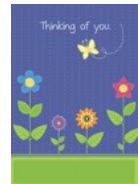
**Matt Kirsh** posted:

I used to do business with Don when he was working for Robert Levin in the 80's and 90's. Don was Mr. Armstrong to a lot of his customers and I found him to be a true professional and also very personable. Over the years I grew to respect and admire how he handled himself and business. I ended up working with Don at Ohio Valley Flooring when Jeff worked there also. Don and I always shared a laugh or 3 and he was happy to dispense his wisdom about business, fishin' and life in general. i remember having drinks with him and Jeff after an OVF meeting and what a blast we had laughing and talking about our customers and bosses!,as well as tons of others loved the man. My deepest condolences to the entire Dillen family and friends.Rest in peace my friend.Matt Kirsh, Westlake

July 25 at 10:48 AM



**Anonymous** sent a sympathy card to the Dillen family.



July 25 at 4:15 AM



**Copper** shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.



To the entire Dillen Family,First let me express my sympathy for your loss.Papa was a great man who loved his whole family. When we were fishing or sitting around at the lake he always had stories of his kids or grandkids. I was honored when Donnie asked me and Kenny to take one last fishing trip with Papa and him just a few weeks ago. That day was great and will be in my memory forever. Thank you for letting papa share his love of the outdoors with me from spring fishing at the lake to the many long weekends in New York for Salmon and Walleye. It was a true pleasure to know someone who loved his family and hobby so much. Don was just a fun man to be around and always was doing something to get a good time started.He will be missed and I am glad we all had one last trip together. Thanks for the wonderful memories.Your Friend,David Pace

July 24 at 8:37 AM



## Tribute Wall

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**Kenny** posted:

"Poppa" will be missed at the lake. The times we had fishing on the lake from the west end of Lake Erie to the Dunkirk, NY to Point Breeze, NY and even the time two weeks ago out of Huron. The times we had always was a blast. You will be missed Poppa. Our prayers go out to the family and his wife Lynn who he said on the boat is such a great wife to him!!!, it made him smile when he talked about her that day!!!! leave some fish for us in heaven R.I.P Kenny

July 24 at 10:59 AM



**Shelley Dillen** shared an album called **New Album Name.**



July 24 at 8:37 AM



Copper shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

July 25 at 3:12 AM



Don, Tim, Dave and Ken. Dunkirk, NY

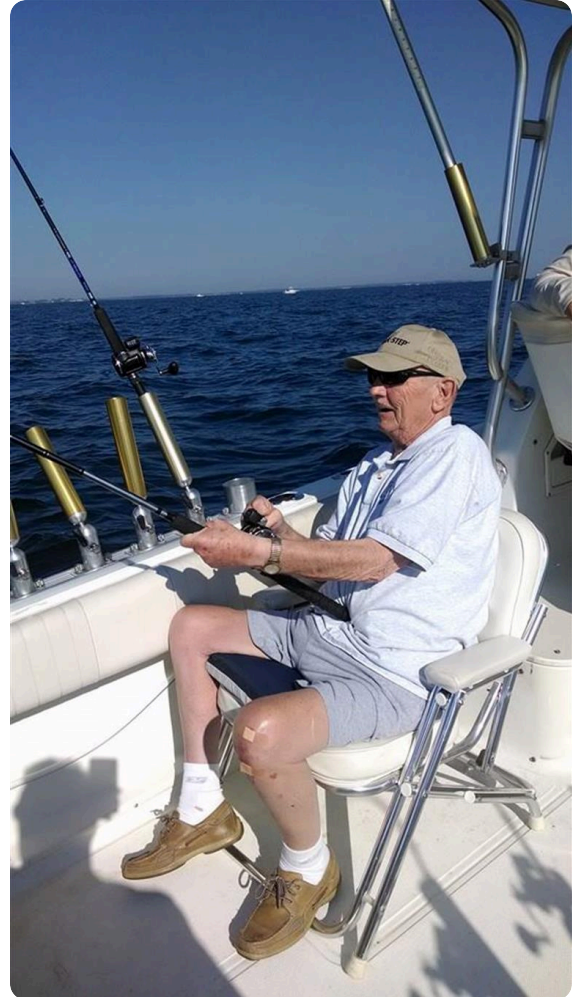
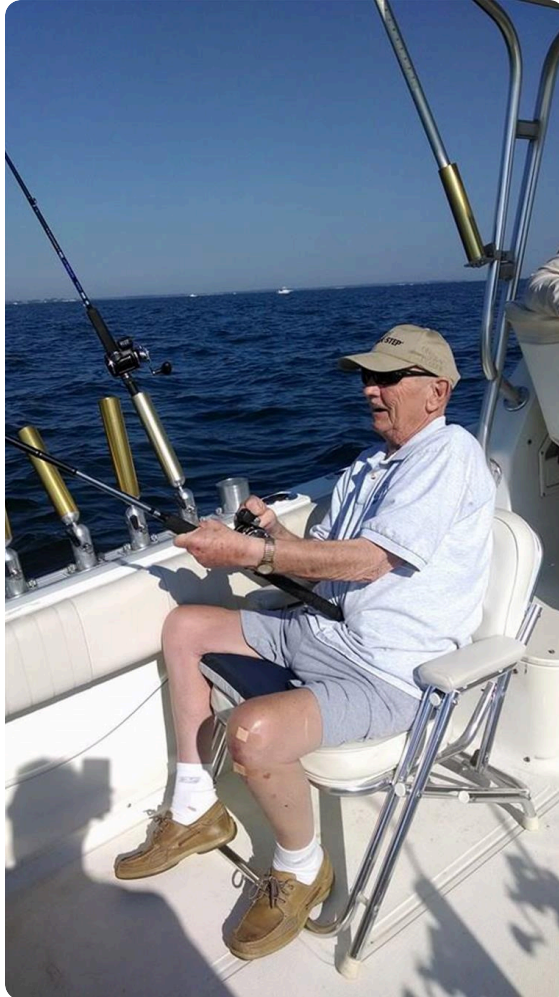


Papa @ Dunkirk, NY



Shelley Dillen shared 5 photos to the **New Album Name** album.

July 24 at 8:37 AM







## **Memories only last if you share them**

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



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