

Don Shimkus Obituary Jan 2015

Don Shimkus, 77, of Lombard, died January 11, 2015. He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Connie; his children Terri, Steve (Kate), Mary Beth, and Kim; his grandchildren Danielle, David, Oliver, Jack, Eleanor, Miles, Bailey, and Marin; his sister Florence (the late Tom) Russell, his brother Tony (Ann); and many cousins, nieces, and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents, Anton and Catherine, his sister Catherine (the late Norman) Laube, and his brothers Joe (Lou) and Jack (Lucy).

Don was born in Spring Valley, IL. He graduated from Northern Illinois University with a degree in business. After serving in the army, he accepted a position with International Harvester, where he worked for more than 30 years.

Don was a great family man and a loving father. He served his community through the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry at Christ the King Church in Lombard, and through other activities supporting his children. He enjoyed golf, bowling, and the camaraderie of friends. He will be remembered for his spirit of community service and for always helping others.

Visitation Wednesday, Jan 14, 3-9 PM at Knollcrest Funeral Home, 1500 S. Meyers Rd (3 blks S of Roosevelt Rd) Lombard. Funeral Thursday, 10:45 AM from the funeral home to Christ the King Church. Mass 11:30. Father Jeff Stoneberg will be officiating, assisted by Deacon Frank. Interment Friday, Jan 16 at 11 AM at Valley Memorial Park in Spring Valley, IL, near his parents and family.

All are welcome to attend and celebrate Don's life. The family would like to thank everyone for your prayers, kind words, and unwavering love and support during this time. As an expression of sympathy, memorial contributions may be sent to the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry at Christ the King, 1501 S Main St, Lombard, IL 60148, or the food pantry serving the community in which you live. For info call 630-932-1500.