



## Donald C. Kittrell

December 12, 1946 - September 9, 2023

Donald C. Kittrell, 76, passed away at his home on Saturday, September 9, 2023.

Don was born on December 12, 1946 in Laurel, MS. He attended Jones Junior College. He was a master electrician by trade for over 50 years.

Don married Rita Langston Kittrell on February 23, 2004.

He was preceded in death by an infant brother Larry Trent Kittrell; both parents Benjamin Trent Kittrell and Moddie Rose Mauldin Kittrell and stepson Brian Long.

He is survived by his wife Rita Kittrell, his children James Kittrell (Quae), Vanessa Kittrell, Shannon Hall, and April Beacht (Bill), and grandchildren Lauren Rigg (Keoni), Evan Hall (Maddie), Jennifer Vaughn (Ben), Rachel Capasso (Anthony), Raymond Beacht (Randie), Shelby Biglane, Mary Bates and Lexie Myrick. He is also survived by his sister Kathy Hinshaw (Butch).

Visitation will be at Memory Chapel Funeral Home on Monday, September 18, 2023 from 10:00 until 11:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

To sign the online guest book, visit [www.memorychapellaurel.com](http://www.memorychapellaurel.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **18**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Memory Chapel Funeral Home  
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Laurel, MS 39440  
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# Tribute Wall

GB

“ Don's first job as an a apprentice electrician, was with Roy D. Blakeney. I'AM his wife, Grace Burger Blakeney, and George Holloway daughter. Roy and George got Don into I.B.E.W. I Grace, went to school with Don at Calhoun, and he drove my school bus. We have been lifelong friends, and family. Don even work with my oldest son, Roy Lynn Blakeney. Last time we saw Don, was at Charlie 's Catfish House. He introduced his wife, Rita to us. Don's favorite person was, Uncle George Holloway. Who died 9-6-1986, Funeral 9-9-1986. Don didn't know he would die 37 years later, when he was at Uncle George Funeral. Roy and Grace met Don in 1963, when George married my Mother, Eunice Burger. We are so thankful to had, a 60 years friendship with Don. With all our love to the family, you are in our prayers. Sincerely, Roy and Grace Helen Burger Blakeney. 9-17-2023

Grace Blakeney - September 17, 2023 at 02:08 AM

RK

Thank you for sharing

Rita Kittrell - January 22, 2024 at 03:23 PM

BH

“ I GRIEVE OF HEARING OF DON'S PASSING ,. MY FRIEND !  
PRAYERS FOR YOU , RITA AND ALL THE FAMILIES

Bobby Holifield - September 15, 2023 at 10:55 AM

RK

Thank you Bobby

Rita Kittrell - January 22, 2024 at 03:24 PM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald C. Kittrell.*



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September 14, 2023 at 11:02 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Donald C. Kittrell.

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September 14, 2023 at 11:02 AM



“ *IBEW Local 917 purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Donald C. Kittrell.*



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**IBEW Local 917** - September 13, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ *IBEW Local 917 planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald C. Kittrell.*

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LF

“ Don was a great-nephew of my mother Bertha Mauldin Parker. He was a sweet and gentle guy. I kept a diary during my senior year at Calhoun High School. On September 10, 1957, I recorded: “I had Don, Cathy, and Peggy (Owens) for music lessons today (piano lessons). As Mike Lowe pointed out, he could be tough on the football field but a “gentle giant” afterwards. And he wasn’t afraid to learn a little piano along the way. I would go for years without seeing Don, but it was always a treat to see his smiling face. Let his memory be for a blessing. My sympathy to his family and loved ones.



Linda Parker Foshee - September 12, 2023 at 11:46 AM

RK

Thank you for sharing

Rita Kittrell - January 22, 2024 at 03:25 PM

ML

“ Don and I were friends from our Calhoun high school days. We played football 🏈 and he was the toughest guy on the field, I played guard he played tackle next to me. You could ALWAYS count on Don to get the job done. He was a fierce player on the field and as gentle as a lamb 🐑 off the field. He had a contagious smile and laugh. He and some other “guys “ went to school to train as electricians and were all successful in their careers. Don and others went to Alaska for work and made “big bucks “ and worked hard for it. He is an unforgettable friend and will be missed by all who knew him. Don, “Bubba” McLain and Larry Rodney were great friends and were always together, Rest In Peace dear friend 🙏❤️ God bless his wife, children , sister and all extended family members during this difficult time ❤️

Mike and Sue (Smith) Lowe - September 12, 2023 at 04:21 AM

RK

*Thank you for sharing*

Rita Kittrell - January 22, 2024 at 03:25 PM

AW

“ *For my beautiful children and grandchildren that lost their Father..*



Anita Walters - September 11, 2023 at 07:12 PM

JE

“ *Jan Ellzey lit a candle in memory of Donald C. Kittrell*



Jan Ellzey - September 11, 2023 at 05:32 PM

RK

*Thank you Jan , it is appreciated*

Rita Kittrell - January 22, 2024 at 03:23 PM