



Mr. Wayne Donald Cox

August 10, 1932 - March 21, 2017

Wayne Donald Cox, of Willow Springs, passed away Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at Cox South Medical Center in Springfield due to natural causes. Born on August 10, 1932 to Wayne and Mary (Whited) Cox, he was 84 years old.

Don grew up in the Willow Springs area, attended local schools, and graduated from Willow Springs High School . Following graduation, he took college courses at Rolla School of Engineering. Don proudly served his country in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and immediately reenlisted as a Reservist until his honorable discharge in September of 1956. On September 23, 1953 he married the love of his life, Mattie Davis, and to this union four children were born. Don liked to be busy, and his first job was with Dr. Pepper Bottling Company in West Plains. He was then employed by MoDot for 38 years designing highways until his retirement in 1996. In his spare time, he helped his dad by hauling posts. He also provided a tax service for many years and operated a local television and radio repair shop with Lester Hardman. He operated the sound system at the First Baptist Church for many years, and would record the Sunday Service on a cassette tape, then rush it over to the KUKU radio station to get it on the air on time.

Don is preceded in death by his parents, his wife, a stillborn infant, a stepson, one sister and one brother.

He is survived by three daughters: Jan Bradley and husband, Mike of Springfield ; Vicki Bullock and her husband, Shane of Fulton; Billie Dawn and fiancée, Jason Gish also of Springfield , and one son, Robb Cox and wife, Trina of West Plains. He is further survived by four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorial donations be made to the First Baptist Church and may be left at the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Willow Springs City Cemetery

State Rte DD
Willow Springs, MO 65793

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **23**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Willow Funeral Home, LLC
106 E 3rd St
Willow Springs, MO 65793
(417) 469-3141

Graveside Funeral Service

MAR **24**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ I will always remember the love Uncle Don had for us kids and he always made us laugh. He was one of the most loving and caring men. Then when mom had to go to Springfield for her cancer treatments he was always there. He has always held that extra special spot in my heart for all he did for mom in her final days and years. I love you Uncle Don and I will never forget everything you done for mom or us kids. Rest in peace and give mom and Aunt Mattie and all a huge hug for me. Love you all.

Dotty Whitsett - March 29, 2017 at 11:23 AM



“ My Dad was a wonderful man, I am glad he is in heaven now back holding hands with Momma and watching over us. Love you Dad and miss you.

Billie Cox Riegler - March 28, 2017 at 06:04 PM



“ My thoughts an prayers are with the family
Mary sue Mea



Mary Sue Meal - March 24, 2017 at 08:48 AM

RO

“ Rocky sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Wayne Donald Cox



Rocky - March 23, 2017 at 03:50 PM

RO

Thanks for the service to our country and our God.

Rocky - March 23, 2017 at 03:52 PM



Thank you Rocky

Billie Cox Riegler - March 29, 2017 at 08:10 AM

LM

“ Lynn Myers lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wayne Donald Cox



Lynn Myers - March 23, 2017 at 03:27 PM

DL

“ So many memories with this family. Don was like family and now he is with so many others that have gone on before us. Prayers for this amazing family they are all dear to my heart.



Dawn Lovan - March 23, 2017 at 11:49 AM

Ashley
Nigh

“ Ashley Nigh lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Wayne Donald Cox



Ashley Nigh - March 23, 2017 at 11:49 AM



“ Andrea Pettitt White lit a candle in memory of
Mr. Wayne Donald Cox



Andrea Pettitt White - March 23, 2017 at 10:45 AM



He was a kind-hearted giving person, always greeting you with a smile.
You will be missed by so many.

Andrea Pettitt White - March 23, 2017 at 10:49 AM



“ Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the
family of Mr. Wayne Donald Cox.



March 22, 2017 at 09:35 PM

DB

“ Prayers to all the family! May the Lord comfort you with precious memories!



Dianna Baker - March 22, 2017 at 08:01 PM

RW

“ Russell, Jeffrey, Cindy, Carissa, and William purchased the Bountiful European Dish Garden for the family of Mr. Wayne Donald Cox.



Russell, Jeffrey, Cindy, Carissa, and William - March 22, 2017 at 01:01 PM



“ European Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mr. Wayne Donald Cox.



March 22, 2017 at 12:24 PM

LD

“ So sorry for your loss,
Linda K Daugherty



Linda Daugherty - March 21, 2017 at 08:45 PM



“ Carolyn GC Robertson Collins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wayne Donald Cox



Carolyn GC Robertson Collins - March 21, 2017 at 08:19 PM

TE

“ He introduced me to the love of John Wayne & Baseball card collecting. Also he's been my parents tax man forever! He has always had a big heart. It shined even more when he took care of his precious wife before her passing. We love you Don & your sweet family will be in our hearts and prayers.

Tanya Essary - March 21, 2017 at 07:08 PM

JT

So very sorry for the passing of your dad. Prayers for all of you.

Janet and Kevin Turner - March 22, 2017 at 06:40 PM

 Billie
Cox
Riegler

Thank you so much

Billie Cox Riegler - March 28, 2017 at 06:01 PM