



Donald E. Margolis

February 7, 2017

Donald E. Margolis, 48, passed away at his home in Beverly Hills California on Tuesday, February 7, 2017.

He was a graduate of JP McCaskey High School and attended Allegheny College.

Don was a partner in Cooper-Booth Wholesale Company for 15 years and served as Vice President. He was also co-Captain of the Terrapin Station and enjoyed his fishing expeditions and participating in various fishing tournaments in Maryland, Florida, and the Bahamas. A highlight for Don was when his boat placed third in the White Marlin Open.

After he moved to California, Don enjoyed collecting and restoring pinball machines. He was a huge fan of the Grateful Dead and had a collection of their music and memorabilia.

He will be remembered for his outrageous sense of humor and big heart. He is survived by his brother, Barry and his nephew, Andrew Margolis.

Relatives and friends are invited to join the family for a Graveside Committal Service on Sunday, February 12, 2017 at 12:30 p.m. at Shaarai Shomayim Cemetery with Rabbi Jack P. Paskoff officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Humane League of Lancaster County 2195 Lincoln Hwy E, Lancaster, PA 17602 or the American Diabetes Association - www.diabetes.org.

Tribute Wall



“ *Donald E. Margolis*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of Dons passing. We went to school together and may the days so much better. He could make you laugh so hard. I am sure Heaven has a great entertaining Angel now. My thoughts and prayers are with his family and friend. Another great guy gone too soon.*

Andie

andie - February 15, 2017 at 07:34 AM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Tom Harker - February 15, 2017 at 07:32 AM



I love this picture of Cooper!

Julie H. - February 19, 2017 at 03:33 AM



“ 1 file added to the album *Tribute Wall*



Tom Harker - February 15, 2017 at 07:23 AM

SA

“ *Don was a friend and an overall nice guy. I am shocked and deeply saddened by his passing. I will miss him.*

shay assad - February 14, 2017 at 01:51 PM

PP

“ *Donald was a wonderful person, full of fun and enjoyment in life, he will be missed.*

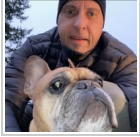
philip pietrafeso - February 14, 2017 at 09:32 AM

RM

“ *I am shocked & saddened by the recent news of my good friend Don passing. My thoughts & prayers are with the entire family & his dog Cooper during this extremely difficult time.*

Ryan McClain

Ryan McClain - February 14, 2017 at 02:31 AM



“ *Don was my friend and we spent many late nights talking on the phone about pinball and life over the years. Don was a very unique individual with a good heart, I will miss him very much!*
Zichrono Levracha - Rest In Peace my Friend.

Sean Bernhardt

Sean Bernhardt - February 14, 2017 at 12:19 AM

ME

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Me - February 13, 2017 at 03:48 PM

TN

“ *Family and Friends of Don....*

I've known and worked with Don for over three years, and he was the most humorous, down-to-earth and generous guy that I've met in many years, and will be greatly missed.....

I worked at his home weekly, restoring his entire collection of pinball games. We both had this hobby in common, because I too was a collector of vintage pins also.

We became fast friends as we talked about our childhoods in Penna. - his in Lancaster and mine in Philadelphia. He loved the fact that I was able to restore the graphics on some of his older games to like-new condition, by re-painting the cabinets and playfields.... When he found something that I missed, he would shout, "Hey Brush !! (he called me -Tom the Brush) Don't forget this spot!", and we'd laugh !!.....and for this I'll treasure the fact that I was able to bring smiles and happy days to a pal who was quietly suffering with the daily trauma of diabetes. May God bless and keep you in his arms....

Rest in Peace my friend....Deepest condolences to Barry, Andrew and the entire family.

Tom Naderski

Tom Naderski - February 13, 2017 at 01:21 PM

ME

“ *1 file added to the album Tribute Wall*



Me - February 13, 2017 at 12:55 PM

KJ

“ Hello friends and family of Donald,
Donald and I were good friends, who adored and loved each other very much. He was a wonderful man, who had wonderful qualities. It might surprise some of you to know that he was an incredible romantic, who had beautiful ideas about love. He made bold gestures of his affection, and he kept a beautiful, open heart to life and love's possibilities. He was a wonderful communicator, charming and silly, and he could always make me laugh with his wit. He was someone who had become more poetic in life, and he could write a wonderful love letter. He will be missed greatly, and will be remembered as a true romantic.
Kristin

Kristin Jensen - February 12, 2017 at 08:28 AM

TH

“ My friend Donny,

We shared some great stories over the past 5 years and had some great laughs. Talked politics, religion, family, current events and of course pinball. Nothing was off limits. I miss you buddy.

Your friend in pinball and just about everything else.

Tom Harker (chicago tom)

Tom Harker - February 11, 2017 at 11:36 PM

EN

“ Donny was a very kind, generous, caring human. I'm so sad to hear this news. I truly believe he is finally at peace. God bless him...

emily noble - February 11, 2017 at 07:46 PM

JF

“ I have many happy memories of Donny. We grew up together. Donny was part of my childhood and apart of my young adulthood. He was funny and he was kind. Barry, I am so sorry for this loss.
Jen Bull Fischer

jennifer e Fischer - February 11, 2017 at 07:10 PM

KM

“ Kelly Martin lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Margolis



Kelly Martin - February 11, 2017 at 12:09 PM

KM

Donnie and I went to McCaskey together, we were in the same homeroom and had a couple classes together. He was so much fun back then and I'm glad to know he never changed. We had a mutual friend who once went to Cooper + Booth for an interview and he later told me all that him and Donnie talked about was me! How hilarious. Rest peacefully Donnie. To his family, I am so sorry or your loss.

Kelly Martin - February 11, 2017 at 12:12 PM

JK

“ Donnie: I remember visiting California with my daughters, Krystle and Karli. It was so comforting to see a familiar face so far from home. You took us to dinner one night and the next day you drove us to all the neat and pretty places in Santa Monica and Malibu. You made us laugh so much!! Rest in peace, Jody Kunzler

Jody Kunzler - February 11, 2017 at 11:03 AM

BE

“ I am so sorry to hear this. I worked with Don years ago. I worked in the back office at night getting all the paperwork done for the trucks. He would come in smiling and was a regular presence. Rest in peace Don. My condolences to Barry and family.
Beth Gabriel (bovell)

beth - February 11, 2017 at 07:42 AM

SL

“ Please accept our sincere condolences on this loss in our extended family. We were truly surprised and saddened by your news. May your memories be a source of blessing and the means of inspiration for your future! The Leapman Family South Bend.

Steven M. Leapman - February 10, 2017 at 05:57 PM

JH

“ Julie Hoffman lit a candle in memory of Donald E. Margolis



Julie Hoffman - February 10, 2017 at 05:51 PM

JH

“ Donald,

You are an amazing person with a huge heart made of gold. Your smile and laugh light up a room. Our last birthday dinner you were laughing so hard your laugh was contagious that everyone at the table started laughing with you and none of us knew why we were laughing but because you were laughing we laughed. It is not the same around here without you! I hope you are resting peacefully. You will not be forgotten, I promise!

*I Love You!
Lots of Love,
Julie*



Julie Hoffman - February 10, 2017 at 05:49 PM

DB

*i had been friends with don for about 8 years. he was a good hearted guy that loved to shoot the breeze for hours on end. we meet due to pinball but became friends because we grew up in the same area and a lot in common. i will miss those 4 hour calls at 2am to just to see whats new.
he will surely be missed by many.*

Dave Bunel - February 14, 2017 at 08:10 PM