



## Donald A. Stickles

September 9, 1938 - May 22, 2022

Donald A Stickles, Sr., 83, of Hudson, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his loving wife of over 30 years, Sandra and close family and friends on May 22, 2022 after a long battle with cancer.

Don was known for his love of bowling and was always ready to share his vast knowledge of same. As a young man, he set bowling pins in the George Clow Lanes and Elks Club in Hudson, Chatham Bowl, and at bowling centers around the country. In 2004, Don retired from a 46 year career with Robert Hoe at Mardi Bob Bowling of Poughkeepsie, NY spending his days in the Hoe Bowl Lanes of Hudson and Catskill. Being proficient in his field, his employer sent him to AMF Mechanics School where he became "Top Mechanic" on AMF 82-30 and 82-70 machines. During his career, he was promoted to Head of Maintenance for the franchise overseeing six bowling centers.

During his lifetime, Don also owned his own pro shop and was an outstanding bowler. In the late 1960's he held the highest average in Columbia and Greene Counties of 209. His dedication to the sport yielded perfect and nearly perfect games, and he bowled in Pro-Am matches with pro bowlers Dick Weber, Johnny Petraglia and Earl Anthony. He also bowled in the National Bowler's Championship in Las Vegas, NV for 24 years.

In retirement, Don opened The Lane Doctor where he specialized in bowling lane resurfacing and earned the nicknamed Dr. Don, "Doctor of Laneology". Don is survived by his wife, Sandra (Wyant) Stickles, son Donald Stickles, Jr. (Marianne); son Wayne Stickles (Corinne), former wife, Jane (Stickles) Page,

his "Little Angel", Melissa Lasher (Joel); three grandchildren, Gregory Allen Stickles (Margaret), Christopher Stickles and Ariel Stickles; five great-grandchildren; Leona, Hollye, Gregory, Rachael and Eli Stickles and several nieces and nephews, brothers/sisters-in law.

He is pre-deceased by his parents, Richard G. and Esther L. Stickles, brothers Richard Stickles, Jr, and Terrence (Terry) Stickles, sister Janice (Stickles) Myers, niece Deborah (Stickles) Dobos, nephew Richard (Rick) Stickles, and great-nephew, Jeffrey R. Taylor.

Viewing will be held at Bates & Anderson Funeral Home, 110 Green Street, Hudson, NY on May 31, 2022 from 4pm to 7pm.

All are welcome to celebrate Don's life at a memorial service and celebration of life held at The Pavilion, 34 Brookmeade Drive, Rhinebeck, NY 12572 on June 11, 2022 at 1PM.

In Lieu of flowers, contributions of remembrance can be sent to The Brookmeade Community Foundation, 46 Brookmeade Dr, Rhinebeck, Ny 12572

# Previous Events

## Visitation Hours

MAY **31**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Bates & Anderson - Redmond & Keeler  
110 Green Street  
Hudson, NY 12534  
(518) 828-3371  
<http://batesandersonredmondkeeler.com>

# Tribute Wall

PK

“ I have many memories with Donnie and Sandy from birthday parties on a boat sailing on the Hudson River to the one at The Brookmeade Community Foundation. Also many Christmas and summer brunches at the Plaza Diner. Fill the sky with sunshine Donnie and when it thunders I will know you are bowling up there. RIP friend.

Pam Kline - May 27, 2022 at 12:14 AM

PK

“ Pam Kline lit a candle in memory of Donald A. Stickles



Pam Kline - May 27, 2022 at 12:10 AM

LS

“ George Clowe was my grandfather and he often spoke about the bowling alley and all his "pinboys". I believe the kids were paid 5 cents a game! It's lovely to read about someone who shared my grandfather's love of bowling.

*I'm so sorry for your loss.*

*Lori Clowe Sturges*

Lori Sturges - May 26, 2022 at 04:40 PM

LW

“ *Don always had a smile on his face! We will miss him at future events. R.I.P. dear man.*

*Sincerely,*

*Linda & Joel Weisbrod*

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**Linda & Joel Weisbrod** - May 26, 2022 at 04:02 PM