



Donald Cecil Williams Jr.

December 2, 1969 - January 7, 2024

Williams – Donald Cecil Williams, Jr., age 54 of Buford, GA, passed away on Sunday, January 7, 2024. He was a Navy veteran and worked as a computer systems administrator. Donald was preceded in death by his wife, Yoshiko Ota in 2023. He is survived by his father and mother, Donald Sr. and Mable Williams of Snellville, GA; brother John Williams of Loganville, GA; nephews John & Wynter Williams, Drake Williams and Kevin Noel. Arrangements by Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 300 Simonton Road SW, Lawrenceville, Georgia 30046. 770.962.3100. Please sign the online guest registry at www.stewartfh.com.

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“ There's so very much more to say about you Donnie my dear brother and your life, your love for my children than your obituary captured or even this can. I will see you when I see you much love Donnie.

Don Williams was different from the beginning, relating more to Star Trek and the science fiction that would become the modern world we live in than the time in which he had been born, his mind lured to math, physics, and science while common sense never made sense.

He attended Brookwood High School in Gwinnett County Ga. which he graduated from in 1987. Always to challenge his teachers he refused to complete mundane homework although passing their tests without studying.

After High School Don joined the United States Navy After a brief stint in A school, he was assigned to the mighty USS Iowa battleship which he was extremely proud of being aboard and savored exploring the world aboard her. He served on the Iowa until the turret explosion where he aided in rewiring the control motors to return the turret to a position to retrieve their fallen comrades. After the decommissioning of the Iowa Don was stationed in Jacksonville Florida on the cruiser USS Dale on which he served the remaining time of his commitment to the Navy.

Once Don had returned home, he started working as a security guard while attending college seeking a degree in the Information Technology field. After exploring the IT field, he landed a position at Gwinnett Medical Center in Lawrenceville Ga working his way up to become a systems administrator. After Gwinnett Medical Center was purchased, Don moved on to work as a systems admin at Amazon.

In his free time Don enjoyed a wide range of activities from hiking, biking, tennis, to participating in the Georgia Renaissance Festival in full dress where he enacted battles with his friends. When his nephews entered his life, he immediately became an integral part of their lives sharing the wisdom he had gained from his travels with them.

Though he was busy working on a career he was missing something in his life which he found in his beloved Yoshiko Ota the part of his soul that he did not realize he was missing, and they married in 2005. Don had always been fascinated by the Japanese culture and although a proud veteran had likely been born in the wrong country Yoshiko truly completed him becoming the very life breath that kept him going every day. At the later stages of Yoshiko's life with cancer he left Amazon and began dedicating himself to taking care of her and their two cats Goro and Niko which were like Yoshiko's children.

While physically Don's body failed him, he sailed to reunite the pieces of his soul on the other side with his dear wife Yoshiko.

May you walk in the hand of God to the end of time brother. Until we meet again big brother.

John Williams - January 16, 2024 at 05:33 PM

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Donnie and Yoshiko, We love you both so much and will miss you and miss sharing cards with Yoshiko. Thankful we will see each other again one day.

Much love from Aunt Bonnie & Uncle Larry

Bonnie Ragsdale - January 16, 2024 at 10:12 PM