



## Mr. Doug Shepard

July 29, 1945 - August 25, 2019

Doug Shepard age 74 of Milton passed away on August 25, 2019. Doug was born in Chicago, Illinois but was raised in Thayer, Mo. He attended the University of Missouri at Rolla, graduating with an electrical engineering degree. He worked for General Motors for 35 years living in Anderson, IN., Albany, GA., Warren, MI., and Doraville, GA. before retiring in 2002. While in Indiana Doug was a volunteer firefighter and EMT. He became an instructor-trainer of CPR for the American Heart Association and Red Cross. He was a member of St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church and a 4th degree Knight of Columbus. Doug loved golfing and especially boating on the "AT LAST" at Lake Lanier with his wife, Sandy, family and friends. Doug was a "MR. FIXIT" and loved projects. His family was his greatest source of pride. He will be sorely missed. He was preceded in death by his parents, Orvis and Agnes Shepard. He is survived by his wife, Sandy Shepard of Milton; daughters, Pam Graham (Jeff) of Indiana, Patti Greer (Jay) of Michigan, Andrea Miller of Indiana and Lesley Van Vurst of Georgia; sister, Debbie Holloway (Jim) of Wyoming; grandchildren, Amanda Maxwell (Justin), Michelle Goar (Jeremy), Gert Yozipovich (Willie); Chet Graham, Adam Greer, Rachel Greer, M.J. VanVurst, Hailey VanVurst and Max VanVurst; 8 great-grandchildren; sisters-in-law, Marsha Norris(Carl) and Terri Bradford along with several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, August 31, 2019 at 11:00am at St. Thomas Aquinas Church. The family will receive friends on Friday, August 30, 2019 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm at Northside Chapel Funeral

Directors and again on Saturday from 10:00am until the time of the service at the church.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 30. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors & Crematory  
12050 Crabapple Road  
Roswell, GA

## Visitation

AUG 31. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church  
535 Rucker Road  
Alpharetta, GA

## Funeral Service

AUG 31. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church  
535 Rucker Road  
Alpharetta, GA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Doug Shepard*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *We remember when Doug learned to water ski behind a small aluminum boat with a 15 HP motor. He continued to work at it until he was able to get up on skis.*

*We remember the hospitality that he provided in his home when we came to visit him in the 2003 frame.*

*We remember him at our family reunion in 2008 and the road trip that we took after the reunion to Grand Coulee Dam, Mount Rainier National Park, and Mount St Helens National Volcanic Monument.*

*We remember him from the 2011 family reunion at his home. We remember the effort that put into picking up the sticks. We remember his hospitality.*

*We remember him from the 2013 family reunion in Roseburg, OR.*

*We appreciated it when he called my mother after she had a stroke in January 2018.*

*The Bussell Family*

*James Bussell*

*Muriel Bussell*

*Harold Bussell*

*Rebecca Grenard*

James Bussell - August 31, 2019 at 02:21 PM

JB

“ 4 files added to the album Douglas Shepard Photographs



James Bussell - August 31, 2019 at 02:12 PM

TM

“ Doug was a great leader and had the rare quality of truly caring about his team and their lives, inside and outside of work. He helped me to grow as an engineer, as a manager, and most importantly in very difficult times outside of work. The world is a little dimmer today without Doug's infectious smile. Take care "Sunshine" - see you on the other side!  
Todd Mooney

Todd Mooney - August 30, 2019 at 10:53 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Doug Shepard.



August 30, 2019 at 10:41 AM

KK

“ Doug was my boss for many years but, more important he was the friend in need, always very supportive of our life outside the work place.

*For sure the angels are watching over him as heaven became a much better place when he arrived.*

*Thanks for the memories Doug!*

*Kathy Keskeny*

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**Kathy Keskeny** - August 29, 2019 at 07:05 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mr. Doug Shepard.



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August 29, 2019 at 01:13 PM

LL

“ We worked with Doug at Albany & Doraville. He was person who took the time to help us do our job. It was our pleasure to have known and worked with him.

*Our hearts go out to the family.*

*Leon & Ann Lightfoot*

*Panama City Beach, Florida*

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**Leon Lightfoot** - August 29, 2019 at 09:12 AM

MK

“ *Max and Cindy Kinney purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Doug Shepard.*



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**Max and Cindy Kinney** - August 28, 2019 at 09:26 PM

LC

“ *I enjoyed many golf games with Doug, he was a great golfing friend that will be missed. Condolences to his family. L M (Doodle) Clay*



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**L M Clay** - August 28, 2019 at 03:15 PM

WT

“ *I had the privilege of working with Doug while at Doraville, He was such a gifted person who would listen to a problem and guide you to making the correct decision, not only concerning business issues but also in life. Thank you Doug, you were truly a leader. Rest in peace. Bill Tomko*

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**William A Tomko** - August 28, 2019 at 11:42 AM

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“ *Condolences to the family. Rest well Doug.*



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**Sandi Freeman** - August 28, 2019 at 10:44 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mr. Doug Shepard.*



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August 28, 2019 at 10:00 AM



“ *I was very privileged to have worked for Doug. He was truly a great "people leader," and a genuinely regarded and respected individual. I personally owe much to Doug for allowing me a true work-life balance, affording me flexibility with my schedule to be an engineer for the company, while raising 5 children. And I know my sentiments regarding Doug are shared amongst others who were fortunate to work under Doug's leadership. May you rest in peace. Anna Saadatjoo*

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**Anna Saadatjoo** - August 28, 2019 at 09:52 AM



*Oh, Bubba, too many memories to share here. I miss you so much. As soon as you found out what was wrong you wanted to try to go for treatment that hopefully would give you a couple of more years with your family. At the same time you started getting affairs in order to make it as easy on Sandy as possible. You were each other's best friend and soulmate. You and I, being siblings, didn't always agree but we still loved each other. Now what am going to do? I still love you bubba.*

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**Debbie Holloway** - August 28, 2019 at 07:40 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Doug Shepard.*



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August 28, 2019 at 09:27 AM



“ *My condolences for the family. I enjoyed every day that I was able to work with Doug. He was an "A" player. He was always willing to help and also provided great mentoring to our younger engineers. Rest in peace my friend.*  
*Randy Thayer*

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**Randy Thayer** - August 28, 2019 at 06:40 AM

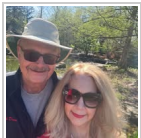


“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Doug Shepard.*



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August 27, 2019 at 09:19 PM



“ *Rhona Paluch purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Mr. Doug Shepard.*



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**Rhona Paluch** - August 27, 2019 at 09:05 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Doug Shepard.*



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August 27, 2019 at 06:13 PM



“ *Thinking of you Patti, Jay, Adam, and Rachel at this very difficult time, love you.*

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**Rhona Paluch** - August 27, 2019 at 05:27 PM



“ *Doug was a fine leader and a trusted colleague at GM. Doug supported me through many difficult decisions and challenges at GM as well as after our retirement. We enjoyed traveling to Germany together and launching GM's mini-van. Thank you for your support and friendship all these years my friend.*

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**Jerome Hunter** - August 27, 2019 at 04:38 PM