



Mr. Donald Richard Morgan

November 16, 1933 - January 29, 2020

Donald "Don" Morgan, age 86, of Salem, Illinois passed away Wednesday, January 29, 2020, at Crossroads Hospital in Mt. Vernon, Illinois.

Don was a lifelong farmer and rancher. He was a member of the New Bethel Presbyterian Church, the Marion County Fair Board, Marion County Extension Council, Founding Member of the Heart of American Hereford Association, and member of the Illinois and American Hereford Associations. Over the years Don was inducted into the Illinois Hereford Association Hall of Fame and most recently the family was named Illinois Breeder of the Year. Don grew up on the family farm and the only time he was away from it was when he served time in the Army. He loved the farm and his cattle. He started showing Hereford cattle in 1946. His passion with the cattle started at an early age and continued all his life. Don "The Legend", as he was referred to by some, will be fondly remembered by all his cattle friends.

Funeral Services for Donald "Don" Morgan will be held Saturday, February 1, 2020 at 11:00 AM at the Sutherland-Rankin Funeral Home in Salem, Illinois with Jerry Fields and longtime family friend, Chris Stone will be officiating. Burial will follow at Summit Prairie Cemetery. Visitation will be held Friday, January 31, 2020 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Sutherland-Rankin Funeral Home and also Saturday, February 1, 2020 from 10:00 AM until the time of service. Memorials may be made to Summit Prairie Cemetery, Marion County Fair Association and/or Illinois Jr. Hereford Association and will be accepted at the Sutherland-Rankin Funeral Home at P.O. Box 97 Salem, Illinois 62881,

who is honored to be of service to the Morgan Family. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com.

Don was born November 16, 1933 in Salem, Illinois, the son of Herschel and Edna (Phillips) Morgan. He was the youngest of 7 children, and the only son. He married Jane (Thomas) Morgan on May 29, 1959 at the Romine Presbyterian Church in Salem. They began their life together on the family farm and lived in the same home Don was born and raised. They were married 60 years and in those 60 years there were very few times they were apart. They had their squabbles, but were each other's best friend. They built a new home on the family farm and often said "If you could build a house together you could stay together".

Don and Jane are the parents of 2 children: Ric and Lisa. Don was a devoted family man. He loved his family and was always there when needed. His passion for cattle was passed down to his children and the friendships made through the cattle industry are still treasured today.

Survivors include his wife, Jane, his son Ric Morgan (Kim) of Salem, daughter Lisa Babbs (Kevin) of Salem, 2 granddaughters: Megan Klier (Jared) of Iuka and Miranda Buss (Brian) of Downs, IL. Other survivors include his great grandchildren: Matthew Thompson, Addy Klier, Greysen Klier, Morgan Klier, and Abrianna Buss.

Don was preceded in death by his parents, Herschel and Edna Morgan and his 6 sisters: Lila, Charlton, Velma Gaston, Mabel Gaston, Juanita Cantrell, Avaline Jones and Erma Jean Morris.

Cemetery Details

Summit Prairie

Salem, IL 62881

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 31. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Sutherland - Rankin Funeral Home
310 N. Broadway
Salem, 62881

Visitation

FEB 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Funeral Service

FEB 1. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



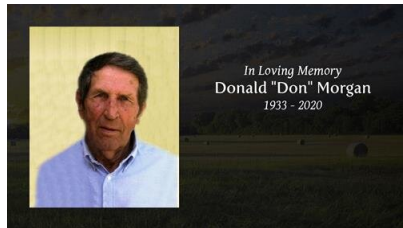
“ *Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Donald Richard Morgan*



Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services - February 01, 2020 at 09:36 AM



“ *Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Donald Richard Morgan*



Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services - January 31, 2020 at 11:01 AM

LB

“ *My Uncle Don. He was quite a guy. He loved his family, his farm and his cattle. I loved going to spend the night with Don and Jane when my family came to Salem. I especially loved the old farmhouse. One of my fondest memories was spending the night one Christmas Eve. After Ric and Lisa went to bed we got their Christmas presents put together. Ric's was Hot Wheels Track and Lisa's was an Easy Bake Oven. Putting them together was one thing but us playing with them was a whole other thing. Of course we raced and had to actually bake something to see if the oven really worked! They let me go with them to one of the big fairs where they were showing cattle. I loved it. I could tell he loved it, too. He was a hard working man and so proud of his kids and grandkids. He leaves a great legacy that will be in our memories forever. Jane, you chose well. Love all of you.*
Linda

Linda Blain - February 01, 2020 at 04:59 PM

HE

“ *We had SOME TIMES! Thanks for the memories Don!*
Harvey and Sharon

harvey Evans - February 01, 2020 at 07:42 AM

KC

“ *Lisa, Kevin and Family -- we pray God wraps His arms around all of you, and brings you all comfort and peace. Our thoughts will be with you. Karen & Larry Connett*

Karen & Larry Connett - January 31, 2020 at 05:17 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Donald Richard Morgan.*



January 31, 2020 at 01:57 PM



“ *Rob, Linda, Lauren Hollenkamp & Hollenkamp Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mr. Donald Richard Morgan.*



Rob, Linda, Lauren Hollenkamp & Hollenkamp Family -
January 31, 2020 at 11:39 AM



“ *So sorry to hear this
We will miss him at Church. We can not attend visitation as we are in Texas. Our condolences to all the family. Gary and Doris Powell.*

Gary and Doris Powell - January 31, 2020 at 07:25 AM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss! Hugs, thoughts and prayers!!!*

Dave and Marylee Babbs (Uncle and Aunt of Kevin's)

Dave and Marylee Babbs - January 31, 2020 at 07:15 AM

JB

“ Jeff and Stacy Babbs purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Mr. Donald Richard Morgan.



Jeff and Stacy Babbs - January 30, 2020 at 10:02 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Donald Richard Morgan.



January 30, 2020 at 08:56 PM

DF

“ So sorry for your loss of your father, sending prayers and healing vibes. David & Faye Durall

David & Faye - January 30, 2020 at 06:52 PM