

Don K. Bearden

ALLOWAY, N.J. – Bearden, Don K., 70, left this earth on June 10, 2014, after suffering a fatal stroke. Don was born on August 22, 1943, in Ash Flat, Arkansas, the fifth child of Bill and Estie Bearden. He was a 1961 graduate of Hutchinson High School and received an Associates of Arts degree from Hutchinson Junior College in 1963. He served in the U.S. Air Force for five years as a Radar Maintenance Specialist. He retired from Subaru after a 30-year career. Don was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters, Elwanda Curley of Hutchinson, KS, and Tommie Richardson of Ash Flat, AR. He is survived by his wife, Melva of Alloway, NJ; two daughters, Bonnie (Donald) Stevens of Point Pleasant, N.J., and Kari Ferrier of Walterboro, SC; one son, Jay Bearden of Maple Shade, NJ; sisters, Elaine Collins of Pocahontas, AR, Linda (Bud) Day of Opelika, AL; brothers, Bill (Kathy) Bearden of Hutchinson, KS, and Dennis (Sara) Bearden of Wichita, KS. Also, a brother-in-law, Jack Richardson of Ash Flat, AR. He has 11 grandchildren, as well as numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral services were held on June 13 at Pittsgrove Presbyterian Church, Daretown, NJ, with Paul Tuttle conducting the service. A second service will be held June 17 at 10 a.m. at the Church of Christ in Ash Flat, AR. Wortham Funeral Home, with Steve Collins conducting the service. Burial at Wiles Cemetery beside his parents and two sisters.

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Don passed after a stroke

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Don was retired after 30 yrs. with Subaru
After Graduation at HCC he joined the
USAF and served as Radar Maintenance
Specialist for 5 yrs.

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Survivors include:

Wife: Melva

1 Son: Jay of Maple Shade NJ  
2 Dgtrs; Bonnie Stevens, Pt. Pleasant NJ,  
& Kari Ferrier of Walterboro SC,  
2 Sis; Elaine Collins of Pocahontas AR  
& Linda Day of Opelika AL,  
2 Bros; Bill of Hutchinson, Dennis of  
Wichita KS & 11 Grandchildren

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Services in NJ with burial in
Wiles Cemetery, Ash Flat AR

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Condolences may be sent to:

**Melva Bearden & Family**

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Hutchinson KS 67502  
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'61 Class has sent a memorial to the:  
HHS Class of 1961 Memorial Scholarship  
Others wishing to contribute may send memorials:  
Hutchinson Community Foundation, 1 N. Main, Hutchinson Ks. 67501  
(Please mark your contributions: '61 Scholarship in his memory)



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