



Jack D. Drummond

October 16, 1921 - November 19, 2019

Jack D. Drummond, age 98, of Kalamazoo and Daytona Beach Shores, FL formerly of Oshtemo, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 19, 2019 at his home. Jack was born Oct. 16, 1921 in Kalamazoo the son of Merle V. and Felista M. (DeWindt) Drummond and grew up in the Oshtemo area, graduating from State High School in Kalamazoo in 1939. He retired as a credit manager from an auto parts store, apartment owner and co-owner of a beauty school. He also retired as Lt. Col. from the Air Force Reserve. Jack was one of the "Hump" flyers of WWII. He flew 73 missions from India to China, flying 173 hours on actual instruments through the clouds and mountains of the Himalayas to deliver supplies to the Chinese forces fighting Japan. This area was dubbed the "Skyway to Hell" because of the many planes and men that were lost. He was a child of the Great Depression and was proud of the fact that he was a landlord who could fix or do anything that needed to be done. He enjoyed fishing in his own homemade boat, hunting and spending time with family. Surviving are 2 children, Jack D. (Carol) Drummond II of Kalamazoo, Deborah Tucker of Kalamazoo; 5 grandchildren, Jack D. Drummond III, Todd (Addie) White, Shaunna (Brian) Ford, Michael Tucker, Robert Drummond; 17 great grandchildren; 7 great great grandchildren; 2 sisters, Blanche Voetberg of Port Orange, FL, Joyce Vande Maale of The Villages, FL; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife, Beverly Ann Van Strien Drummond; brother, Dr. Donald Drummond. According to his wishes, cremation has taken place and a memorial service

will be held on November 26th at 1:00 PM at Kalamazoo Community Church. Interment will be in the Spring at Robinson Cemetery, Bloomingdale Township. Arrangements entrusted to the Gobles Chapel, D. L. Miller Funeral Home. The family suggests memorials be made to the American Cancer Society or to the Air Force Museum in Dayton, Ohio.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV **26**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Kalamazoo Community Church
2435 N. 26th Street
Kalamazoo, MI 49048

Tribute Wall

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“ Even though I never knew your father I know he was a great and wonderful man. Look at the family he your mother created! Their grandchildren have inherited an awesome legacy. I am so fortunate and happy to be in Carols your family of friends. You are both in our hearts and prayers as you face each new day of your lives without your Dad.

Carolyn & John Thompson - November 22, 2019 at 10:56 AM

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“ So sorry for your loss Jack. Our condolences to you, Carol and the rest of your family. It sounds like your father led a long and fulfilling life. God bless!

Tammy & Mike DeBruyne - November 20, 2019 at 02:31 PM

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“ So sorry to hear of Jack's passing. I knew him in the early 1970's and he was a hardworking and interesting man. My condolences to his family. Truly a great man! -Melanie Thomspon Walantyn Zeiger

Melanie Zeiger - November 20, 2019 at 07:22 AM