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Donald Mitchell Hollowell (1927-2009) died September 11th in Covington. A retired automobile executive, he was born in Memphis, TN to the late Herbert Lee and Aubrey Nowell Hollowell. He was a Navy veteran in World War II who served in the Asiatic Pacific at Saipan. After serving in the military he received his education in West Tennessee at Union University in Jackson, and Memphis State University in Memphis. In the mid 50's he joined Hull-Dobbs-Oakely Ford management group, holding different positions in Memphis, Atlanta, and Knoxville. While in Knoxville he was manager and part owner of Hull Dobbs of Knoxville and Fountain City Ford. He was a member of Cedar Springs Church, Deanne Hill Country Club and Sertoma International. In 1970 he came to Metairie, Louisiana as Vice President of Metairie Ford and Honda Motor Company. He was also owner/operator of West Bank Dodge. During his business career he earned many achievement awards for leadership in sales.

After retiring to Covington, he became a member of Christ Episcopal Church serving as a greeter for the past ten years. He continued to serve his community during his retirement as a volunteer at New Heights Therapy Center for Handicapped children. Sharing endless stories and jokes with sharp wit and timing, he was more of an entertainer than a volunteer at Hadden Hall Senior Center and St. Tammany Parish Hospital until his recent illness. He led a very active life, and walked everyday through the streets of old Covington.

He leaves his devoted wife Bettye Bonds Hollowell; two daughters, Donna Hollowell Dugas (her husband Earl James Dugas) and Dianne Hollowell Miskell (her husband James Donald Miskell); five grandchildren: Ashley Elizabeth Dugas, Aimee Dugas Plauche (her husband Michael Scott Plauche), Justin Michael Dugas, Scott Mitchell Miskell and Megan Mc Laughlin Miskell. He is also survived by one great grandson, Mitchell Rue Plauche.



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A private memorial service will be held at Christ Episcopal Chapel in Covington at a later date.

Memorials in lieu of flowers may be made to Christ Episcopal Church or St. Tammany Parish Hospital.



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PR

Pamela Richard posted:

Please accept our sincerest condolences. We are so saddened by Mr. Hollowell's passing - our neighborhood will not be the same without him. All our love! Mike and Pam Richard

September 22 at 5:50 AM

SM

Sharon & Joel Maese posted:

Our prayers and sympathy to all of the family. I know he will be missed. Diane are thoughts and prayers are with you always and especially at this time. Love to you all, Sharon(Aunt) & Joel Maese

September 22 at 5:43 AM

VC

Virgil & Adele Cline posted:

Bettye and family we just heard about Don's passing and send our condolences. It has brought back lots of memories of the good times we had when we were all living in Metairie and the guys were working at Metaire Ford. We will keep you all in our prayers. Virgil & Adele

September 17 at 8:14 AM

BK

Burt Klein posted:

There was always fun and laughter when around Don. We will always have pleasant memories of him. Our most sincere sympathy to entire family. Burt and Jerri Klein

September 17 at 6:05 AM

PP

Phyllis Peralta posted:

My husband and I volunteer at St. Tammany. We loved Don for his quick humor and friendly disposition. We will miss him. Sincerely, Phyllis and Elliott Peralta

September 14 at 9:33 AM



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Nancy Evans posted:

Donna, I was looking up someone on this site and saw your Father had died. Having talked to you recently I knew of his problems but thought he was getting a little better. I am so sorry for you and your family. This is so difficult I know. You will be in my prayers and I hope your good memories can help you through this.

September 13 at 11:01 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Donald by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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