



## Donald William Ochsenfeld

February 9, 1948 - March 25, 2016

Donald William Ochsenfeld passed away peacefully on Friday March 25th, 2016 after a valiant battle against ALS. He was a devoted husband to Bonnie; loving father to Cherie, David and Barry; and affectionate grandfather to Mackenzie, Abby and Amelia. Donald was son of Elizabeth and Raymond Ochsenfeld and brother to Richard, Lois, Marilyn and Phyllis.

Donald was born in Canton, Ohio on February 9th, 1948. He graduated from Lincoln High School in 1966 and began his 49 year career as a well-respected Machinist. He was married to Bonnie on June 14th, 1969 and they welcomed their daughter, Cherie later that year. Donald and Bonnie moved their family to California in 1978 for a career opportunity. Donald enjoyed the California landscape and loved to camp and sail throughout the state. Their twin sons, David and Barry, were born on March 16th, 1982. Donald retired in 2015 from M.A.R.S Engineering after approximately 15 years of dedicated service.

He was known for his dry sense of humor, his love of classic cars and racing. He was an avid fan of NASCAR racing throughout much of his life. His favorite drivers were Dale Jarrett, Dale Earnhardt Jr., and Carl Edwards. He will be remembered for his generosity and loyalty. Donald loved his children deeply and was dedicated and a loyal friend to each of them throughout his life. We will miss his contagious grin and joyful laughter. Donald was a faithful friend and mentor to many people throughout his life.

Donald battled ALS for 2 years before joining his parents and brother. He passed away at the young age of 68 in the home he built. He is survived by his loving wife, Bonnie, their three children and three grandchildren. His legacy will be maintained in the shared wisdom, memories and hearts of all his family and friends.

A Memorial Service will be held on Friday, April 1st, 2016 at 1:00 pm at Fremont Memorial Chapel, 3723 Peralta Blvd., Fremont, CA 94536. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in memory of Donald to the ALS Association at [www.alsa.org](http://www.alsa.org).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

APR 1. 1:00 PM (PT)

Fremont Memorial Chapel

3723 Peralta Boulevard

Fremont, CA 94536

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<https://www.fremontmemorialchapel.com>

# Tribute Wall

PF

“ *Praying for all of you. Love, Brad, Diane & family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Donald William Ochsenfeld.*



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**Praying for all of you. Love, Brad, Diane & family** - March 31, 2016 at 11:12 PM

DI

“ *We always remember camping with the family and enjoying time on Don's Hobie Cat. Don was a hard worker and he loved his family dearly. He as very ambitious and wasn't afraid to tackle new projects or endeavors. Rest in Peace Don.*

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**Diane** - March 31, 2016 at 10:29 PM

BB

“ *Bonnie and family. You have are deepest sympathy. Don was a good friend, A lot of late nights in the garage working on cars when we we young. Then a good neighbor as we got older, Our youngest son had to be born on Dons birthday per Don ,. and he was..I will always have the memories of Don as a good friend. RIP. Buddy. Bill and Carol Boniphant.*

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**Bill &Carol Boniphant** - March 30, 2016 at 07:16 PM

RC

“ *RIP Don. You will be missed. You are not suffering anymore and can join the family and friends that are waiting for you. We will see you someday. Robert & Lori Cyr*



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**Robert & Lori Cyr** - March 29, 2016 at 04:38 PM

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“ *Robert And Lori Cyr lit a candle in memory of Donald William Ochsenfeld*



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**Robert and Lori Cyr** - March 29, 2016 at 04:36 PM



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**Fremont Memorial Chapel** - March 29, 2016 at 01:27 PM