



Donald "Doc" Alvin Forche

March 21, 1944 - December 18, 2024

Blissfield- On December 18, 2024, Donald A. (Doc) Forche was kind enough to let his best friend and family members be with him when he went to be in a much deserved peaceful and tranquil place.

Doc was born on March 21, 1944, to Edwin D. and June Rose (Wilson) Forche in Adrian, MI. Doc graduated from Deerfield High School in 1962 and served our country in the United States Army from 1965 to 1967. Doc was a lifelong farmer and retired from General Motors Hydromatic in Toledo after 40 years. At an early age Doc became a passionate mechanic never doing anything halfway, always a perfectionist, first into cars and drag racing and building race engines, then into four-wheel drive pickup pulling, then into his real passion of antique tractor pulling. Always tweaking to get a little bit more and had to be painted to look like new. In the middle of his passions, he found time to fight Parkinson's disease for fifteen years, never letting it slow him down, to the contrary he pushed even harder, always on the cutting edge, always on the go. Never lost his exuberant sense of humor.

Doc is survived by his brothers, John (Hedy), Dave (Lois), Ken (Willa), Dan (Cheryl), Keith (Laurie); best friend, Ron Cambal; cousin, Jim Forche. Doc is preceded in death by his parents and sister, Janet (Alvin) Murry.

Visitation for Doc will be held on Sunday, December 22, 2024, from Noon until

5:00 p.m. at Wagley Funeral Home, Tagsold Chapel, in Blissfield, with a scripture service beginning at 5:00 p.m. with Father Jeffrey Poll as officiant. Cremation will follow services, and he will be buried at St. Alphonsus Catholic Cemetery at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made in Doc's memory to the Heritage Farmers Antique Tractor Club.

"Good job Doc-Amazing-Full Pull"

Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com

Cemetery Details

St. Alphonsus Catholic Cemetery

Deerfield, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **22**. 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home Tagsold Chapel (Blissfield)
301 S. Lane St.
Blissfield, MI 49228
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Scripture Service

DEC **22**. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (est)

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Tribute Wall

TB

“ My name is Tom Boals, Boise, Id., formerly a resident of Toledo, Ohio. I just learned of Don's passing. I worked with Don at Chevrolet and after two years I left that job and went on to other jobs. Don went with me to my hometown of Mansfield, Ohio to bring back my father's 34 Ford back in 1969 and I still have it, since then it has been restored. When I went to the farm to see where Don was raised I remember meeting his brother Keith, he was 18 or so then and I remember his mom and dad as well. I kind of lost touch with them since my wife and I moved to Boise, Id. in 1979, however I did call him once around 6 years ago. I am very saddened of his death and I would like to extend my condolences to the family and may God Bless you always.

Tom Boals - January 27, 2025 at 03:01 PM

RF

“ Had some good times with Doc when we were growing up. Condolences to his family from Sandy and Bob. Doc left us too soon.

Robert Forche - December 21, 2024 at 02:53 PM

SB

“ Sorry to hear about Donald! It's been a long,, time since I've seen him or other Forche members. Fond memories of get togethers at the farm many years ago! My condolences to the Forche family!

Sue Bunge

Sue Bunge - December 21, 2024 at 01:22 PM

KF

“ Ken & Willa Forche and family purchased the Fair rest of All for the family of Donald "Doc" Alvin Forche.



Ken & Willa Forche and family - December 20, 2024 at 01:01 PM

CJ

“ Cousin Jim planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald "Doc" Alvin Forche.

Cousin Jim - December 19, 2024 at 07:56 PM

CJ

“ Cousin Jim purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Donald "Doc" Alvin Forche.



Cousin Jim - December 19, 2024 at 07:56 PM

FR

“ We are so sorry to learn of Doc's death.
Frank & Donna Riley

Frank Riley - December 19, 2024 at 06:24 PM

NS

to the Family of "Doc" , received the news of Doc's passing from my Brother in Onsted yesterday, I hadn't seen Doc in several years, usually home in Lenawee Co to visit my family. last time I visited him the chit chat turned to Chevelles & Big Block engines, he asked what projects I had to work on etc. Always a square shooter and liked a good joke or story..... Norm Sweet

Norm Sweet - December 20, 2024 at 09:17 AM