



## Donald M Jardot Sr.

June 12, 1929 - July 22, 2021

Donald M. Jardot, Sr., 92, formerly of Eaton Rapids, passed away peacefully on Thursday, July 22, 2021 at Hope Landing ALC in Charlotte. Don was born June 12, 1929, in Lansing, MI, the son of Alfred M. and Thelma G. (Dornan) Jardot. He graduated from Eaton Rapids High School and attended Michigan State University. Don married Charlotte A. "Chuckie" Ellison on September 2, 1950, and together they raised three children. He started his own dairy milk hauling business, which he operated for 19 years before going to work as a building engineer for Potterville Schools, retiring in 1995 after 25 years of service. Throughout the years, Don loved car racing, and even built engines for Indy cars while helping to maintain a super-modified race car for many years. He and Chuckie enjoyed family trips together snowmobiling and mushroom hunting, as well as bus trips to the casino. Don was always known to keep a lovely yard and a well-maintained home. Don took exceptional care of Chuckie during her long illness, showing everyone what a wonderful husband he was.

Don is survived by his daughters, Linda (Jerry) Cobb of Olivet, MI, and Cindy (Jay Eckert) Jardot of Mount Vernon, WA; son, Donald (Terrie) Jardot Jr. of Charlotte, MI; grandchildren, Dustin (Jessica) Carpenter, Heather (Joshua) Ramsay, Kristin (Michael) Zima, Carrie Ann Kearney and Kira Kearney; great-grandchildren, Caycee and Haylee Carpenter, Harlie and Devin Kamrowski and Dylan and Brandon Zima; and sister-in-law, Lois Ellison. He was

predeceased by his wife; parents; sisters, Maxine and Barbara; and brothers, Bernard, Fred, and Paul.

Friends are encouraged to support Donald's family by attending services or sharing memories on his Tribute Page at [www.prayfuneral.com](http://www.prayfuneral.com). Visitation is Sunday, July 25, 2021, from 3-7:00 p.m. at Pray Funeral Home. Funeral services are Monday, July 26, 2021, at 1:00 p.m. at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte with Rev. Steve Ezop officiating. Interment will take place in Maple Hill Cemetery. If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to the Adult Handicap Program c/o Eaton RESA, Charlotte, 48813. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

# Cemetery Details

## Maple Hill Cemetery

801 Tully Brown Rd.  
Charlotte, MI 48813

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 25. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home  
401 W. Seminary St.  
Charlotte, MI 48813

## Funeral Ceremony

JUL 26. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Charlotte, MI 48813

# Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Webcast in memory of Donald M Jardot Sr.*



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - July 26, 2021 at 08:44 AM



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Donald M Jardot Sr.*



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - July 24, 2021 at 03:56 PM

KC

“ So many items to choose from makes this note hard as being the youngest of our family, I was always able to steal all attention. I loved my summer week long stays to Uncle Don and Aunt Chuckie home and slept in Linda and Cindy's room which gave spooked me. Daily lunches at McDonald's and Uncle Don would join us on his lunch or visiting Fred and Cathy, Jackie Brown and Doreen Bush so I could swing. I snuck out one time and walked a but into the woods where uncle Don found me, he never ever raised his voice or nothing, just advised me to let he or Aunt Chuckie know going forward. They were the best Aunt and Uncle a niece could ask for. I've always considered my cousins more as my immediate family as we're all close. May your memories find you comfort and hopefully we'll see you soon. Xoxo

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**Kathy Coplin-Budrow** - July 26, 2021 at 05:05 PM

LC

*Thanks for the comforting thoughts!  
Linda*

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**Linda Jardot Cobb** - August 17, 2021 at 10:12 PM

WH

*Don was a very nice man. in high school ( 1975)he used to let me assist him in clearing lunch room tables and folding them up and locking them in the wall for free lunch , it was well worth it. Thank you Mr Jardot, Billl Hoffman class of 78, loved just talking to you*

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**William Hoffman** - November 14, 2021 at 12:04 PM

KH

“ Every year at Charlotte fair time I would spend 2 weeks with my cousins just having a great time! Uncle Don would be smiling and shaking his head at us trying to make money selling Uncle Clemies corn or heading back to his maple syrup hut. Uncle Don loved his racing. I think that's what got me started at a young age. We would all load up in a station wagon to head to races, where the back seat looked out the back of the car. I thought we were cool. He treated me as his own without question. Loved him and Aunt Chuckie. Much love to my cousins during this time of sadness.

Keith and Patti Halverson - July 25, 2021 at 10:35 AM

LC

Thanks so much for sharing! Great memories! Linda

Linda Jardot Cobb - August 17, 2021 at 10:14 PM

 Diane  
Ellison  
Swafford

“ RIP to a wonderful man, husband and father; my Uncle Don Jardot 🙏💜✝️ All of us Ellison cousins spent a LOT of great times at their home on M-50. I think he put up with many shenanigans us krazy kids would get into 😬 But he just shook his head a grinned. I don't think he EVER uttered a harsh word to anyone. He was just a gem of a man. He went daily and faithfully to visit his wife (Chuckie; my Dad's sister) when she was in a assisted home with Alzheimer's. I have never seen such devotion to their spouse of over 50 years 💜💜 Softball games, go kart racing, card games and probably way too many versions of us all singing "Hang Your Head Tom Dooley" while accompanied by an electric keyboard are just a few of my wonderful memories. Much love to my Jardot cousins, Linda, Cindy and Donnie 🤔💜

Diane Ellison Swafford - July 25, 2021 at 09:44 AM

LC

*Thanks for sharing! Those were the days! Linda*

**Linda Jardot Cobb** - August 17, 2021 at 10:16 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Donald M Jardot Sr..*



July 24, 2021 at 05:11 PM



“ *47 files added to the album Life Tributes*



**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - July 24, 2021 at 03:53 PM

JW

“ *Almost every morning for the 25 years Don worked at Potterville, I would see him and have a quick chat before going to my classroom and him to his morning chores. Every spring he had stories to tell about his morel mushrooming. So sorry to hear of his passing.*

*Joe wood*

**Joe Wood** - July 24, 2021 at 02:07 PM



*Thanks for sharing!*  
*Linda (Daughter)*

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**Linda Jardot Cobb** - August 17, 2021 at 10:11 PM