



## Donald Mack Boston

March 19, 1951 - July 3, 2018

Donald Mack Boston, age 67, of Moundsville died on Tuesday, July 3, 2018 at home.

He was born March 19, 1951, in Glen Dale, WV, the son of the late Donald and Janivee Bagley Boston.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by one sister, Kathy Coulter; one brother, Fred Boston and one brother-in-law, Bob Omear. Survivors include his wife of 47 years, Darlene "Doll" Parsons Boston; two daughters, Jenny Boston of Moundsville and Brooke (Roger Hayes) Boston of Wheeling; one grandson, Liberty Johnson of Moundsville; one sister, Shirley Grimes; one sister-in-law, Shannette Omear of Moundsville; several nieces and nephews and great-nieces and nephews; special friends, Glen and Mona Cunningham and best buddy, Milo.

Not unlike those of similar ilk, Mack succumbed to his human frailties and shuffled off this mortal coil.

A connoisseur of Harley Davidsons and single malt whiskey, Mack was generous and loyal to those he loved. He was a singular character, once known impossible to forget. He was widely known for his orange CJ-5 Jeep and quick wit. He never missed a chance to move a turtle off a road or to share a story from his varied life experiences. He loved Willie Nelson, his wife Doll of 47 years, and wild places. He wore his heart on his sleeve and was the fiercest defender of what he felt was right, no matter who he was facing.

A true original spirit who will be missed by many.

“Come and in the fire of Spring  
Your Winter garment of Repentance fling;  
The Bird of Time has but a little way  
To flutter – and the Bird is on the Wing”

Family will receive friends on Sunday from 1pm until the time of funeral service at 4pm at Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory, 400 Jefferson Avenue, Moundsville, WV.

Private interment at the convenience of the family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 8. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home - Moundsville  
400 Jefferson Ave  
Moundsville, WV 26041  
(304) 845-0400  
<https://www.grisellfuneralhomes.com/>

## Funeral Service

JUL 8. 4:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

DD

“ Hi Doll, I didn't know Mac well but he became a friend once when I was getting bullied-I will never forget him stepping up and saving the day. Such a unique human being. Doll, I hope you are well and just wanted to let you know I will never forget the both of you. Best wishes David Dowler

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**David Dowler** - August 10, 2025 at 04:32 PM

JS

“ Doll, we just heard of Mack's passing and you have our deepest sympathy. We loved running into the two of you and sharing old memories and hearing your latest adventures. You were a great couple and we both love you and Mack. He won't be forgotten. God bless you and your wonderful family. Jerry & Ann Shook

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**Jerry & Ann Shook** - July 13, 2018 at 03:11 PM

TC

“ *Mack. The stories we could tell. Always kept track of Mack. Always intended to go fishing one last time under big grave creek bridge where we spent summer days and nights catching carp and burning old car tires.*

*Met Mack the usual boy way. We had a BB gun stand off at Grave Creek. We both lost . It was a truce when we ran out of BBs. Ouch ! Mack introduced me to his Terrible mean sister ( his words ) Kathy who was mean and hated me so much she married me.*

*Mack was referred as Mackie by Dad, Kathy, Fred, aunt Blanche, Gertrude, Uncle Roe, Peck, Mike. I will miss Mack. I am fortunate though to have real memories of a real special man and friend.*

*Doll. Your memories are your treasure. You are rich.*

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**thomas coulter** - July 09, 2018 at 07:21 AM



“ *So sorry to hear about Mack. Deepest Sympathy for Doll and the Family. Mack and I were Union Brothers at Fostoria and we went Fishing for Cats on Fish Creek occasionally. Mack I want you to know I took my son Robert fishing today and I caught a nice Channel Cat and thought about you and our fun together on the creek . You rest Easy now Brother .*

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**Chris Zumbrunnen** - July 08, 2018 at 02:07 PM

DM

“ Thinking of Doll, Jenny & Brooke today and saying prayers for the rest of the family and Mack’s dear friends. I already mentioned to Jenny via Facebook of all the fond childhood memories on the ridge (Blair’s) that I have of Mack and all of you. He was a special character. So full of energy and life. He was the type of man that a child looks at and expects to live forever. Almost like he special forces. Ha! I’ve been away for so long but even as a child, Mack left a permanent impression. He was so unique and was so good at it! God bless all of you. Just know you’re on my mind. Dawn meadows

Dawn Meadows - July 08, 2018 at 01:37 PM

DL

“ My fondest memory of Mack is sharing the experience of the birth of our first grandchild. While David, Doll, & my Mom, Connie, were assisting Dr Vincent with the delivery, Mack & I we're impatiently waiting out on the porch. When we heard the baby's first cries, we rushed back inside. The Dr handed him to us & told us to bathe him. Mack & I looked at each other like WOW, he means us. So we gave our precious little newborn grandson, Liberty, his first bath. It was a wonderful experience that I know neither of us would ever forget.

Dana Lewis - July 08, 2018 at 09:17 AM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Donald Mack Boston.



July 07, 2018 at 03:28 AM

SW

“ Doll, Jenny, & Brooke,

*I am so deeply sorry for your loss. The world is a poorer place without Mack. You are all in my heart and prayers. Please know Mack touched so many people in good and fun and happy ways. He will always be, with each of you, a sweet and wonderful part of many lives, and is a cherished highlight of the Braden family's years on the hill: an orange Jeep, Banjo, Willie Nelson, a big garden, swimming hole adventures, hearing the "Oh Susanna" refrain from your porch to ours, playing cards on the porch swing, sledding in the snow, dandelion jelly, he and Ronnie with cold bottles of Pepsi walking side by side, a tree house . . . and countless more memories of Mack and each of you. I regret I cannot be there tomorrow, but please know I am thinking of and praying for each of you. With deepest sympathy and so much love, Susan Braden Welsh*

Susan Welsh - July 07, 2018 at 02:18 AM

JB

*Thank you Susan. I am happy to know that my Dad occupies a fond place in your memory. Love from the Bostons*

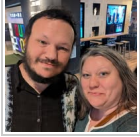
Jenny Boston - July 07, 2018 at 04:21 PM



“ *Simply Chic Mixed Plant Basket was purchased for the family of Donald Mack Boston.*



July 06, 2018 at 06:05 PM



“ *Violet Mikels lit a candle in memory of Donald Mack Boston*



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**Violet Mikels** - July 06, 2018 at 11:25 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Donald Mack Boston.*



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July 06, 2018 at 06:54 AM



“ *Terrible and shocking news. My heart goes out to his family.*

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**Tom James** - July 06, 2018 at 05:48 AM

JK

“ It seems like almost weekly a person from my past shows up in the obits unexpectedly. Oddly enough, I ran into Jim Suter last night and among other people from our past, the Boston boys were discussed. As fate would have it, today I read MACK has passed on.....It's been years since I spoke to MACK, but whoever wrote this obit described the same MACK BOSTON I knew when I first met him in 1970 while playing Colt League baseball with his brother Fred. I will always remember Hank Henderson and I joining MACK on a journey out to visit the KRISNAS during their summer festival long before there was a Palace of Gold. MACK was even playing the role of a philosopher back then..... My thoughts and sympathy go out to all of his family and friends, AND THANKS MACK FOR BEING A PART OF MY MISSPENT YOUTH

Jay Knapp - July 05, 2018 at 09:09 PM

BB

Thank you, Jay, for your remembrance of my Dad. It means so much to hear about the impact he had on others - your story reinforces for me the man of unflappable character I have loved all my life.

Brooke Boston - July 05, 2018 at 09:39 PM

LE

Macks' death truly saddens me, he was such a cool, intelligent person! I really enjoyed running into to him and Doll, at a concert or event.. His father was my Moms uncle--so we were some kind of cousins?? He will be missed! Lois Elias His obit was perfect

Lois Elias - July 06, 2018 at 11:06 AM



“ Uncle Mack taught me that Conley sauce is good in everything.  
Love you Tracy

Tracy Omear - July 05, 2018 at 12:26 PM

SO

*So so very sorry for your loss ! Hugs and prayers for all ! Shirlene Omeear*

shirlene omeear - July 05, 2018 at 05:12 PM

RF

*So so sorry Doll. My heart and prayers are with you and the family. I didn't know Mack well, but I know how much he loved you and still does 😭❤️*

Ruth Ann Ferris - July 05, 2018 at 07:13 PM

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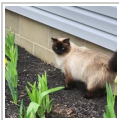
*Oh Doll, I just now heard about Mack. I'm so sorry. He was one-of-a-kind special guy. I'm so sorry I won't be at the funeral Saturday. I'm in St. Louis until Wednesday. I send you my love and prayers. Much love, Les*

Leslie Underdonk - July 05, 2018 at 09:12 PM

DB

*my prayers are with the family at this time. I knew Mack when we were both young and my heart goes out to you in this time of loss*

Dot (Dyer) Berisford - July 05, 2018 at 11:06 PM



*You are in our prayers and thoughts. He added so much joy to your lives and helped shape the women you have become. Theirs was a true love story. Thinking of you all.*

Karen Johnston-Leite - July 06, 2018 at 05:45 AM

KW

*Doll,Jenny,Brooke, Liberty and the entire family.... I am so saddened to hear about Mack . Even in this sorrowful time a smile comes to my face when I say Mack's name . He always had a smile, a joke or a funny quip when I would see him ! Mack was one of a kind and loved all of his family deeply ! My thoughts and prayers go out to all of you !*

Kim Wood - July 06, 2018 at 06:40 AM

CE

*Doll I loved you and Mack so much, even though you are so far away from me you are also so near. Mack was a one off, I will always remember that wonderful voice of his.*

*I will be with you tomorrow and a candle will be lit.*

*Thinking of you and Jenny, Brooke and Liberty*

*Carol in England*

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**Carol in England** - July 07, 2018 at 08:03 AM

JB

*Thank you Carol. Love to you*

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**Jenny Boston** - July 07, 2018 at 04:17 PM

JB

*Thank you everyone for your kind words & it makes me smile to know of the fond place in your memory that my Dad occupies.*

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**Jenny Boston** - July 07, 2018 at 04:19 PM