



## Donald E. Myers

December 1, 2025

Donald Edward Myers passed away on December 1, 2025.

Donnie was a big man with a big heart. He was kind and gentle. Be it friends, family or people he met through work or sports, Donnie endeared himself to those who knew him.

He and Carolyn were together fifty years (forty three of them married). To the very end, his main concern was to make sure Carolyn was happy and provided for. Their son, Matthew, has been their pride and joy. Donnie and Carolyn love visiting him and his wonderful wife, Kaitlin, and have embraced the joy of being grandparents to their two beautiful grandsons. Donnie is survived by his brother Jon, brother-in-law Mark and many sweet nephews and nieces. When discussing family, Donnie's great love and devotion for all the dogs that have been loyal family members throughout the years must be remembered, Jesse being the latest.

Donnie's greatest passion was reading progressive literature. With a fervor, he strove to enlighten himself on such matters as social justice, human rights, environmentalism and corporate and government overreach. This unquenchable thirst for information not provided by mainstream or rightwing media found him always, always reading books on these subjects and staying hyperconnected to CommonDreams.org for current events. He strove to be as

educated as possible in these matters.

Donnie excelled at many sports from an early age to his old age, playing baseball, golf, softball and pickleball among others, always at an exceptional level. This love carried through to spectator sports where he was an avid baseball (Rockies), football (Broncos) and college basketball (UCONN) fanatic.

His early interest in sports led to his first career path. Donnie was a caddy and then a greenskeeper at Birchwood country club near his hometown of Norwalk, CT. That led him to attain a degree in Agronomy at the University of Connecticut where he worked his way through college.

In December of 1978 he and Carolyn moved to Fort Collins, Colorado where Donnie was hired as a hod carrier soon to master the art of being a brick layer. In fact he helped build the Vietnam Memorial Bridge on the CSU campus. He then started a business building environmentally friendly Finnish style masonry heaters, one of many examples of Donnie quietly putting his progressive philosophy into a real world practice.

After earning a masters degree in construction management at CSU, Donnie had a long, successful career as a commercial estimator. Upon retirement, Donnie ventured into a wood-fired pizza food truck business that was followed by a lawn mowing service that continues to this day.

Donnie found many ways to find joy in life. He was a great gardener and an avid cook. He loved staying in nice hotels and amusing others with his dry humor. He and Carolyn are famous for throwing huge parties for various occasions throughout the year.

He was always welcoming and gracious as he greeted you with a twinkle in

his eye.

A Celebration of Life will be held on January 31, 2026 at 1pm. Avogadro's Number, 605 South Mason St, Fort Collins, CO 80524, we hope you will join us

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JAN 31. 1:00 PM (MT)

Avogadro's Number  
605 S Mason St  
Fort Collins, CO 80524

# Tribute Wall

DA

“ *Donnie was a wonderful friend and very much like a Big Brother to me even though he was 6 months younger than me. We are all going to miss his laughter and his humor as well as his keen sense of what is "right" and not in the world. His leaving us was too quick and I will miss him and most likely talk with him for a very long time. I am sure he is watching over us and hopefully giving us a bit of much needed guidance. I love you bro and always will! Deb*

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**Deborah Arloski** - January 29 at 06:29 PM

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“ *What a great loss we are experiencing on this earthly plane with Donnie's passing. We agree he was "a big man with a big heart" - a kind and gentle giant you might say. His love and devotion for Carolyn, Matthew, Kaitlin and family was so evident. His humor was understated and delightful! What fun we had at Carolyn and Donnie's many Christmas, Super Bowl, and Derby parties with fantastic food, camaraderie, and cocktails. Our annual camping trips and mountain bocce games will forever be memorable. We will always respect and admire Donnie's passion for human rights, the environment, and other political causes that showed his deep concern for our country and the world. Donnie's legacy will live on in our hearts and our many memories of a truly great man. Much love, Colleen and Mark*

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**Colleen Crosson** - December 23, 2025 at 03:47 PM

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“ I would have wished for Donnie to remain with us for many, many years to come. Donnie and Carolyn's marriage was the type that gives one faith that love is real and marriages can work. Donnie seemed to be always quietly there, doing the things that needed to be done, doing them well -- man who has mastered team-work in a lifetime partnership. The world was a better place for his presence in it. May whatever lies out there beyond this world be brilliant and wonderful for you, Donnie.

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**Anna Barton** - December 19, 2025 at 05:17 PM



“ We are going to miss Donnie so much. What a sweet and generous soul he was. I will always remember him for his quiet but attentive presence, hosting parties, playing bocce, mixing cocktails, grilling food to perfection and always being Carolyn's devoted companion. He taught me how to smoke a pork roast and on the day I first attempted it, I had called him for advice. 15 minutes later I was startled to see him appear unannounced on my deck, messing with my coals. 😊🤔

You were so good to all your friends, Donnie. Thank you for all the food, fun, and friendship.

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**Mary Pridgen** - December 06, 2025 at 12:00 PM

KD

I will miss Donnie's presence in my life and in this world. A friend since high school, so many of my memories over the past 50 years include him. From watching him play baseball with the infamous Pinkos to last May's Kentucky Derby party that he and Carolyn hosted and a whole life in between, most of the memories involve having fun and laughing (except when the subject of politics came up...then he was very serious!!) Ill miss you Donnie.

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**Kate Dardine** - December 09, 2025 at 11:31 AM



“ *Only knew Don in high school, but I never forgot him. He was a gentle soul.....My condolences to his family. Kerry McMahon Cleary*

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**Kerry Cleary** - December 06, 2025 at 11:37 AM

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“ *I knew him not long, but am very grateful to have known him at all. Donnie's unassuming generosity these past few years spoke to what a gift he was for me, and I am sure has been to those who have known him longer.  
(Also... His initials might have been prophetic? They describe him sorta well. DEM!)*

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**Jody** - December 05, 2025 at 08:34 PM