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Richard “Dick” McDonald, 75, passed away on Wednesday, July 2, 2025, at Decatur Memorial Hospital after a brief illness.

He was born on January 28, 1950, in Bloomington, IL, the son of Robert Paul McDonald and Donna Davis McDonald. He had lived in Decatur since the age of five, where he attended Decatur Schools and graduated from MacArthur High School in 1968. Dick worked as an agent representing Farmers Insurance Group for 42 years before his retirement in 2015.

His passion was British cars, especially Austin-Healeys. He was a longstanding member of the Austin-Healey club of America, the Illini Chapter of the Austin-Healey Club, and the chapter delegate to the national organization. He also enjoyed watching Formula One racing and “car guys” shows on TV. He liked to tinker and could fix anything.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers-in-law, Malcolm Stockinger and Douglas Whitcomb.

Those surviving include his wife of 35 years, Jean Campbell; children, Brandon (Michelle) McDonald of Findlay, Adam McDonald of Decatur, and Aaron (Heather) Campbell of Grand Rapids, MI; three siblings, Mike (Betty) McDonald of Decatur, Steve (Panawan) McDonald of Thailand, and Susan (Terry) Rohman, also of Decatur; grandchildren, Drew, Karina, Khyra, Lillian and Andrew; greatgrandchildren, Lucy, Wyatt, and Jay; as well as many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Visitation for Dick McDonald will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, July 9, 2025, at Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held the following day, Thursday, July 10, 2025, at 1 p.m. with burial to follow in Graceland Cemetery.



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Dick will be greatly missed by his family, friends, and neighbors. The family of Dick MacDonald would like to extend sincere thanks to the caring staff of Decatur Memorial Hospital and The Arc at Hickory Point for their kindness and care at a difficult time. Memorial contributions may be made in Dick's honor to Good Samaritan Inn of Decatur or to The Illinois Flat Land British Car Club (Attn: Brian Davis).

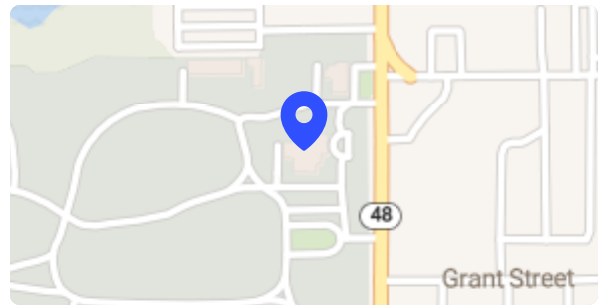


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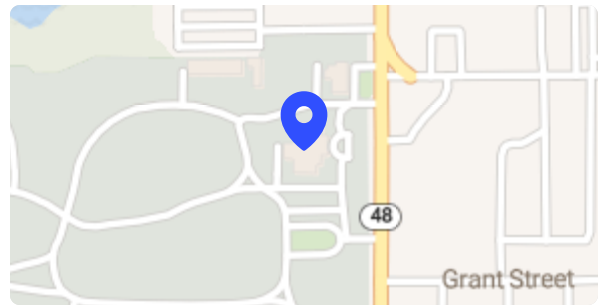
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- 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM CT
- Graceland Fairlawn Funeral Home**
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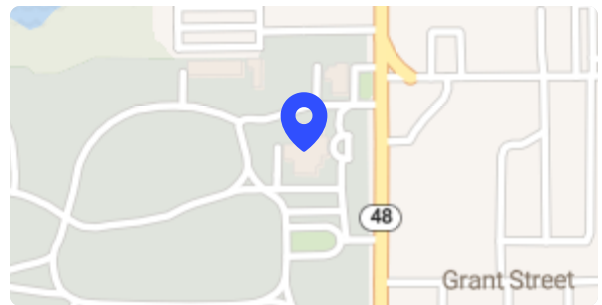
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Burial Following Services

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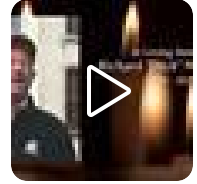
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Graceland Fairlawn shared a **Video**.



July 8 at 8:01 AM



Tony Holly posted:

Mr. McDonald was my insurance agent from age 16 until he retired. My first day driving my own car by myself, I was pulling out of a gas station slowly and barely scraped a car next to me. As a 16-year-old being yelled at by another adult driver for hitting his car was completely terrifying. When things calmed down the other driver at first agreed that the damage was negligible and wanted to brush the whole incident off. As Mr. McDonald had instructed me to do, I insisted we get a police report and exchange information. The other driver continued to insist we didn't need to involve the police and drove off. The police came out, examined my car (there was no damage) and filed a report. The next day, Mr. McDonald reached out to me and told down all the details. He assured me that I had done the right thing and he was glad that I was ok and no one had gotten hurt. When he reached out to the other person involved their story had changed and they claimed that their vehicle now had serious alignment issues and other problems caused by our cars barely touching at about 10 mph. He informed them that it was ridiculous to try to claim that kind of damage could have happened from such a minor accident and the only thing that would be taken care of was touch-up paint for the 1" mark of paint I had left on the side of their car and that he had a full report of everything that happened including them leaving the scene instead of waiting for the police. I was relieved and grateful for his understanding and for standing up for a scared teenager who was way over his head. I will always value how he went above and beyond for myself and for my family. He will be deeply missed and my condolences go out to his family.

July 13 at 11:38 PM



Scott And Marty Whitcomb sent an Enchanted Cottage to the McDonald family.



July 8 at 11:53 AM



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Brian Davis shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.



I became a friend of Richard's through the Flat Land British Car Club and later as a fellow member of the Illini Chapter of the Austin-Healey Club of America. I enjoyed visiting Richard's Man-Cave, where he spent many hours restoring his "Big" Healey. His fabrication skills were impressive. Richard will truly be missed by me and his many British car friends GB 🇬🇧

July 4 at 10:32 AM



Michelle Mcdonald shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.



First and second pictures were taken last September 30, 2023: Dad and Mom Jean attending granddaughter Karina's high school marching band competition at Mt. Zion High School. The third picture was Dad's birthday last January 28, 2024 with granddaughters Karina and Khyra. The last photo was Me and Dad last April 08, 2023 at Fairview Park. You will forever be in our hearts Dad. We love you.

July 3 at 9:58 PM



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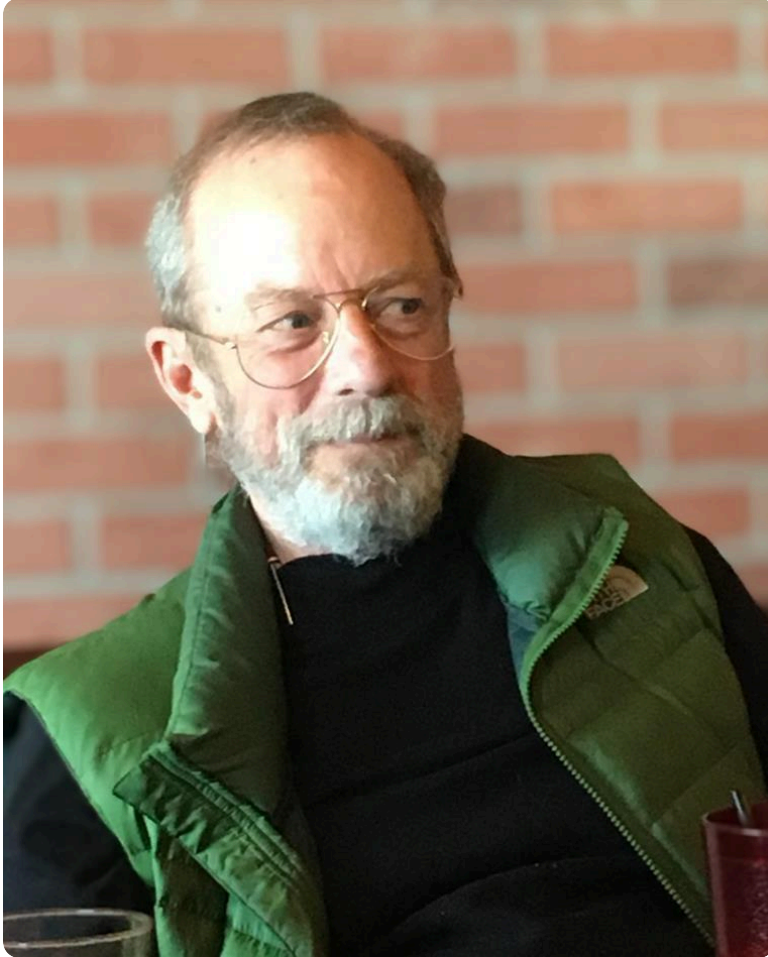
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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Richard by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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