



## Donald Harry Cottler

June 4, 1942 - April 3, 2025

Donald Harry Cottler,

82, of Indianapolis, passed away April 3, 2025. He was born June 4, 1942 in Chicago, IL, to the late John and Lenore (Quinn) Cottler. Don was a graduate of Fenwick High School, Oak Park, IL. He attended St. Mary University in Minnesota and proudly served his country in the U.S. Army. After his honorable discharge, Don completed his bachelor's degree at Elmhurst College. He married Janet Rice April 26, 1969. Don was the owner/operator of Cottler Sales for over 45 years.

Don was a former member of Holy Spirit Catholic Church, East 10th Street where he was a pillar running the Beer Garden at the annual Parish Festival for many years and a current member of St. Matthew Catholic Church where he was active in the Men's Club. He enjoyed volunteering at the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, woodworking, Muskie and Walleye fishing, and was an overall excellent handyman.

Visitation will be Thursday, April 10, 2025 from 4:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel, 9900 Allisonville Road, Fishers. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Friday, April 11, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Matthew Catholic Church, 4100 East 56th Street, Indianapolis.

Don is survived by his loving wife of 55 years, Janet Cottler; children, Elizabeth Cottler, Meg Sweazy, and Patrick Cottler (Shayn); grandchildren, Luke Beaupre, Nicholas Sweazy, Christopher Beaupre, Nate Beaupre, Andrew Cottler, Quinn Beaupre, and Matthew Cottler; and brother, David

Cottler (Patricia).

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul <https://www.svdindy.org> and/or Misericordia online at <https://www.misericordia.com>.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **10**. 4:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel  
9900 N. Allisonville Road  
Fishers, IN 46038  
(317) 841-7878  
info@shirleybrothers.com  
<https://www.shirleybrothers.com>

## Mass of Christian Burial

APR **11**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Matthew Catholic Church  
4100 E. 56th Street  
Indianapolis, IN

# Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Donald Harry Cottler.



April 10, 2025 at 09:31 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Donald Harry Cottler.

April 10, 2025 at 09:31 AM



“ *Paul, Lynne, Brad, Leslie, Troy & Suzie* purchased the *Arrive in Style* for the family of Donald Harry Cottler.



**Paul, Lynne, Brad, Leslie, Troy & Suzie** - April 10, 2025 at 07:02 AM



“ *Rick Farley* purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Donald Harry Cottler.



**Rick Farley** - April 09, 2025 at 09:06 PM

RF

“ Rick Farley planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald Harry Cottler.

Rick Farley - April 09, 2025 at 09:06 PM

KS

“ Don & I became good friends during our time as Bubba's at St. Matthew Men's Club. I really enjoyed his wry smile and devious grin with his eyes shining bright as he told a tale. We had a lot of fun together. I miss him already.

Kevin Spellacy - April 09, 2025 at 10:10 AM

KF

“ Kris and Jim Widmann, and family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Donald Harry Cottler.



Kris and Jim Widmann, and family - April 08, 2025 at 08:44 PM

KF

“ Kris and Jim Widmann, and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald Harry Cottler.

Kris and Jim Widmann, and family - April 08, 2025 at 08:44 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Donald Harry Cottler.*



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April 08, 2025 at 12:56 PM



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April 08, 2025 at 12:56 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donald Harry Cottler.*



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April 08, 2025 at 09:36 AM



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April 08, 2025 at 09:36 AM



“ *Rest in peace, Don. Thank you for the memories. My sincere condolences to the Cottler family.*

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**Steve Beaupre** - April 07, 2025 at 08:39 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Donald Harry Cottler.



April 07, 2025 at 06:28 PM



“ *Paul Russo and Kim Brooke. purchased the Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Donald Harry Cottler.



**Paul Russo and Kim Brooke.** - April 07, 2025 at 03:30 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Donald Harry Cottler.



April 07, 2025 at 11:45 AM



“ *Dave & Patti Cottler purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet* for the family of Donald Harry Cottler.



**Dave & Patti Cottler** - April 06, 2025 at 04:22 PM

DC

“ Dave & Patti Cottler planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald Harry Cottler.

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**Dave & Patti Cottler** - April 06, 2025 at 04:22 PM

PH

“ I have many memories of my favorite brother-in-law. I knew I could always call Don and ask him how to do repairs or get advise on projects that I took on, but my favorite memory, my car. Years ago, when I would drive down to Indy with my kids, he always checked my tires, the oil, belts, and even washed it! I was always so grateful for his kindness and concern.

Thank you, again Don, RIP  

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**Peggy Hennessy** - April 05, 2025 at 07:35 PM

JB

So sorry Janet about you losing DON. He kept us laughing with his sense of humor during high school days. I know he was on the ball so I'm not surprised he did well and was a strong worker for the Catholic Church, the SVD and that he knew how to run a party I'm sure. I'll keep your family in my prayers. Jack Brett from Texas.

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**Jack brett** - April 06, 2025 at 05:29 PM