



## Donald Lee Payne

September 6, 1941 - October 20, 2021

Coleman Funeral Home of Olive Branch

Donald Lee Payne, 80, of Olive Branch, MS passed away on Wednesday, October 20, 2021. The family will receive friends on Saturday, October 23, 2021 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Coleman Funeral Home (6815 Parkview Blvd, Olive Branch, MS) with a service to follow at 3:00 p.m. Interment in Lebanon Cemetery, Olive Branch, MS. Coleman Funeral Home of Olive Branch, MS is in charge of the arrangements.

Don Payne was born on September 6, 1941 in Essex, MO to Frank and Naomi Payne. He graduated from Dexter High School in 1959 and immediately enlisted in to the U.S. Navy where he spent four years. Returning from the service, he moved to Memphis and worked at Firestone Tire and Rubber where he worked for twenty years. After Firestone closed, he worked as a security manager for the casinos until he retired. He was a member of the VFW in Southaven, MS. Don played and coached baseball and softball for many years. He loved working with the youth at Trinity Baptist Church where he was a deacon. He refereed basketball and umpired baseball games. He loved his family and was very devoted to each one.

Don is survived by his wife, Patricia Ann Payne of Olive Branch, MS; daughters, Lee Ann Cole (Tim) of Olive Branch and Holly Stewart (Bobby) of

Hernando, MS; son, Michael L. Payne (Jennifer) of Gallatin, TN; granddaughters, Bobbye Newhart (Josh) of Conneaut, OH, Lynda Stewart (Perry) of Horn Lake, MS; grandsons, Hunter Cole of Olive Branch, Wesley Stewart of Hernando, Nicolas and Alex Payne of Gallatin, TN, Noah Evetts of Gallatin; great-granddaughter, Mychel Newhart of Conneaut; great-grandson, Cole Newhart of Conneaut; sister, Ruth Warren (Wayne) of Salem, MO and brothers, Harold Reaves (Geraline) of Seneca, MO, Roy Reaves of Bloomfield, MO and a host of nieces and nephews.

Don was preceded in death by his parents, Naomi Reaves and Frank Payne.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made in honor of Donald Lee Payne to the Wounded Warrior Project ([www.woundedwarriorproject.org](http://www.woundedwarriorproject.org) ) or the USO ([www.uso.org](http://www.uso.org)).

In honor of Donald Lee Payne's service to our country, the flag of the United States Navy will be flown at Coleman Funeral Home on the day of the services.

Online condolences may be left on her tribute wall at [www.colemanfuneralhome.com](http://www.colemanfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Lebanon Cemetery DeSoto County

8818 Bethel Road  
Olive Branch, MS 38654

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **23**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Coleman Funeral Home of Olive Branch  
6815 Parkview Boulevard  
Olive Branch, MS 38654  
(662) 893-3900  
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## Funeral Service

OCT **23**. 3:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford created a Tribute Video in memory of Donald Lee Payne



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**Coleman Funeral Home** - October 21, 2021 at 06:11 PM



“ Donald and I worked together, for years, at Fitz Casino as Master Officers in Security. You could always count on Don to be there when needed. Prayers sent out to Don's Family and Friends. He was a great co-worker and friend.

*Pam K. Miller*

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**Pam K. Miller** - October 23, 2021 at 08:38 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donald Lee Payne.



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October 23, 2021 at 08:32 AM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray* was purchased for the family of Donald Lee Payne.



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October 22, 2021 at 07:54 PM



“ *Basket of Memories* was purchased for the family of Donald Lee Payne.



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October 22, 2021 at 01:34 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Donald Lee Payne.



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October 22, 2021 at 09:11 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes* was purchased for the family of Donald Lee Payne.



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October 22, 2021 at 07:28 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald Lee Payne.*



October 21, 2021 at 09:00 PM



“ *55 files added to the album Life Tributes*



**Coleman Funeral Home** - October 21, 2021 at 05:44 PM



“ *Mr Don was a great loving person. I loved how he always cracked jokes and teased me every time I saw him.. but was serious when he needed to b.. I will greatly miss him. I love you and know that you will b watching over everyone.*

**Tammy stewart** - October 21, 2021 at 03:11 PM



“ *Worked with Don Payne at Sam’s town casino I will truly miss him.Jane Walker*

**jane walker** - October 21, 2021 at 03:01 PM