



## Donald "Don" Dale Hobbs

June 22, 1937 - August 28, 2024

Donald D. Hobbs passed away on Wednesday, August 28, 2024, at his home in Bloomington, IN. He was born on June 22, 1937, in Anthony, Kansas to Harry H. and Ina (Bradley) Hobbs.

Don grew up in Anthony, Kansas and Elizabethtown, Indiana. After his education, Don joined the U.S. Army in 1959 and served four years as a mechanic at Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri. Don started racing while in the Army and was a well-deserved race car driver; winning races all over the United States.

Don worked as a mechanic and owned his own shop (Hobbs Garage and Wrecker Service) until his health prevented him from doing so.

Don was preceded in death by his parents; son, Bradley J. Hobbs (BJ); his sisters, Marretta (Ernie) Moore and Betty (AD) Campbell; brothers, Harold (Louis) Hobbs, James (Ernie) Hobbs, Harry (Diane) Hobbs, and William (Linda) Hobbs.

Don is survived by his sons, Tommy Dale Hobbs and Dale Hobbs; daughters, Ina Sue Leonard and Gigi Hobbs; brother, Paul (Peggy) Hobbs; many grandkids, great grandkids, and numerous nieces, nephews, and friends.

The family would like to express our thanks to the wonderful help and caregiving by Larry Dean Fullen, Rose Wright, and Hospice of Southern Indiana.

A celebration of life will be held at Allen Funeral Home (4155 S. Old State Road 37, Bloomington, IN 47401) at 12pm on Saturday, August 31, 2024. The family will be greeting friends and family from 9am to 12pm beforehand. Burial will follow at Clover Hill Cemetery in Harrodsburg, IN.

# Cemetery Details

## Clover Hill Cemetery

Harrodsburg, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 31.** 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory  
4155 S. Old State Road 37  
Bloomington, IN 47401  
(812) 824-5905  
<http://www.allencares.com>

## Funeral Service

**AUG 31.** 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

 Penny Smith

“ So sorry for your loss fly high Don your memories will live forever Lester and Penny Smith



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**Penny Smith** - September 01, 2024 at 11:41 PM

 DG

“ I loved Don Hobbs. He raced against my dad’s car and was always a friend of the family. Always harassing me at the upholstery shop with his dirty old truck seats and his smoke hanging out his mouth. My prayers and thoughts are with Dale and Gigi and the rest of the entire Hobbs family

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**diane grubb** - September 01, 2024 at 02:21 PM

 DD

“ One of the best drivers I've ever seen! RIP Don.

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**David Doyle** - August 31, 2024 at 03:33 PM

 AN

“ Rode to the races with Don and his family back in the late 60’s and early 70’s. Don was a “character” and one hell of a builder and race car driver.  
RIP Don.

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**Annonomus** - August 30, 2024 at 11:19 PM

AN

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Anita - August 30, 2024 at 06:00 PM

BB

“ Betty & Girls- Leslie Mary Janette Bobby purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Donald "Don" Dale Hobbs.



Betty & Girls- Leslie Mary Janette Bobby - August 30, 2024 at 02:17 PM

MS

“ I have many great memories of watching Don at the track. Those were the good old days! Our sincere condolences to Dale and Gigi and the family.

Mary c Stone - August 30, 2024 at 01:00 AM

PH

Prayers for Comfort. Pauline Hoover

Pauline Hoover - August 30, 2024 at 01:26 PM

JF

“ My Name is Jeff Followell from Columbus , Indiana . My fun memory of "Gentleman " , Mr . Don Hobbs comes from Brownstown Speedway in the very early 1970's , the Racers used to Wheel Pack the Track in drivin the Famed 1/4 Mile Circuit Backwards . I was young and was beginning to understand and see what it was and meant to be

" COOL "

Don would have his left arm up on the window sill of the drivers door , he just looked COOL , , sittin low , arm on the door , waving occasionally to the Crowd , especially us young enthusiastic kids wanting and hoping to Some day get to do what Don did on Saturday Night's , Race on a Dirt Track , when the flagman gave the signal to turn the cars around , Don would spin it around on a dime in turn 4 with his arm still up on the door , head into turns 1 and 2 Before dropping his arm down . it was the Coolest thing that i'd ever seen , drivin with 1 hand , being COOL and Winning a whole lot of RACES , 🏁

Thank You so Much Mr . Don Hobbs for the Racin Memories and helping Me to understand the Meaning of , just Plain COOL . 🇺🇸 from an old dirt track race fan , I've been goin to the Races since 1967 still to this daY . " rip , Sir "

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Jeff Followell - August 29, 2024 at 08:41 PM

RP

“ So Very Sorry For Your Loss Prayer's Going Up For His Family 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏



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Rick Pearson - August 29, 2024 at 05:37 PM