



Donald Howard Bailey, Sr.

November 15, 1964 - February 1, 2026

Donald Howard Bailey Sr., affectionately known as Don or Pop, passed away on February 1, 2026, in Easton, Maryland, due to medical complications at the age of 61. Born on November 15, 1964, in Annapolis, Maryland, he was a family man who devoted his life to his children and was often heard bragging about how proud he was of all of them. He had a loving nature and was known for his humor, big heart, and authenticity. He was a master of conversation, knowing no strangers and effortlessly engaging with everyone.

In his early years you could find him roaming the streets of Annapolis with his brothers, hanging out at Gino's. He was also very passionate about golfing and loved being on any course with his friends.

Donald spent his professional life as a painter and contractor, a career through which he met many individuals who transitioned from clients and colleagues to friends and family. His work was not just a job but a means to connect with people and build lasting relationships.

In the most recent years, he found a new sense of pride and joy in his 6 grandbabies. He was recently attending Eastpoint Church with his family and friends where he was rebuilding his faith in God. Donald also had a passionate involvement in hockey, often found cheering the loudest for his grandchildren and the Easton Icehawks at their games. He was known as

“Pop” by many coaches, players and parents at the rink.

Donald is survived by a loving family: his siblings, Cindy Parks, James Elmer Bailey, and Melanie Slaughter; his children, Donald Bailey Jr., Tiffany Cantler, Sara Brown, and Justin Bailey; and his cherished grandchildren, Jonny (Bubba) Brown, Bailey Brown, Bella Cantler, Brett Bailey, Sophia Cantler, and Josiah Bailey. He was preceded in death by his parents, Ray Charles Bailey Sr. and Frances Bailey (Stokes), and his brother, Ray Charles Bailey Jr.

The viewing will be held on Sunday, February 8th from 2-4 pm and 6-8 pm at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newman Funeral Home, 200 S. Harrison Street, Easton, MD. The funeral service will follow on Monday, February 9th at 10 am at the Talbot County Community Center. The Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home in Easton, MD, is assisting the family during this difficult time.

Donald's life was a testament to his strong character and the deep connections he fostered throughout his years. He will be remembered fondly and missed deeply by all who knew him.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to “Eastern Shore Hockey Association” or the family welcomes support toward funeral expenses.
https://www.gofundme.com/f/support-for-pops-funeral-expenses-dx48c?attribution_id=sl:3177a330-0114-4dec-b9dbfb58722bfcb4&lang=en_US&ts=1770152124&utm_campaign=man_sharesheet_dash&utm_content=amp17_ta&utm_medium=customer&utm_source=copy_link

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 8. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A. - Easton
200 S. Harrison St.
Easton, MD 21601

Visitation

FEB 8. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A. - Easton
200 S. Harrison St.
Easton, MD 21601

Funeral Service

FEB 9. 10:00 AM (ET)

Easton Community Center
10028 Ocean Gateway
Easton, MD 21601

Tribute Wall



“ *my heart is sadden for this loss*

Roy Reppenhagen - February 08 at 05:37 PM



“ *Thoughts and prayers for the family. He will be missed at the games, he was friendly with everyone! Loved supporting the kids at the games.*



Chris and Charlie - February 08 at 02:11 PM



“ *Your ESHA Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald Howard Bailey, Sr..*

Your ESHA Family - February 05 at 06:35 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Donald Howard Bailey, Sr..*



February 05 at 06:35 PM

KA

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Katie - February 05 at 01:51 AM

HH

“ With my deepest sympathy
You are in my thoughts and prayers



HAL HOUSLEY - February 04 at 08:08 PM

EF

“ Evans Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald Howard Bailey, Sr..

Evans Family - February 04 at 02:04 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donald Howard Bailey, Sr..



February 04 at 02:04 PM

SH

“ Went to school with Donny from elementary on up, always a great guy. Prayers and condolences to the family, he will surely be missed but never forgotten.

Skip Hall - February 04 at 07:41 AM

TF

“ The Roane Girls and families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald Howard Bailey, Sr..

The Roane Girls and families - February 03 at 04:10 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald Howard Bailey, Sr..



February 03 at 04:10 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Donald Howard Bailey, Sr..



February 03 at 04:00 PM

CG

“ So very sad. I’m so very sorry for your loss.



Connie Goddard - February 03 at 03:49 PM

LW

“ I am thinking of you all at this difficult time. Donny was such a character. His laughter and jokes always had everyone laughing. He had a heart of gold. He will be missed by so many. Sending prayers 🙏 to you all.
Laura Washington



Laura Washington - February 03 at 02:58 PM

FF

“ Flower family purchased the Simply Elegant Spat hiphyllum for the family of Donald Howard Bailey, Sr..



Flower family - February 03 at 02:42 PM

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“ Flower family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald Howard Bailey, Sr..

Flower family - February 03 at 02:42 PM

BT

“ Thinking about you all during this time! We are so blessed that we had pop in our lives! His presence will be greatly missed every day and every hockey game! You couldn't ask for a bigger cheerleader or supporter! Rip pop ❤️ the Therres family



brandi therres - February 03 at 02:32 PM

LF

“ Love, The LaPerch Family purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Donald Howard Bailey, Sr..



Love, The LaPerch Family - February 03 at 02:23 PM

SH

“ Susan Hart lit a candle in memory of Donald Howard Bailey, Sr.



Susan Hart - February 03 at 01:42 PM

LA

“ Laird And MaryPat Adams lit a candle in memory of Donald Howard Bailey, Sr.



Laird and MaryPat Adams - February 02 at 05:22 PM