



## Donald L. Morrissette

July 12, 1943 - March 11, 2026

Hampton - Donald Lawrence Morrissette, 82, of Hampton, New Hampshire, died on March 11, 2026, in Exeter, NH. He was born July 12, 1943, in Massena, New York, the youngest son and one of fifteen children born to Cordelia and Delma Morrissette. As a young adult he served as a First Lieutenant and Company Commander in the US Army, specializing in artillery.

Don spent much of his professional life doing what many consider impossible: making accounting interesting. A certified public accountant, he was an accounting professor at SUNY Canton and later a founding partner of the Vermont firm Jacobs, Morrissette, Marchand (now JMM & Associates), where he built a career grounded in integrity, good humor, and a sharp eye for numbers.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Mary Lou, and their children Erin, Tim, and Kathryn and her husband Mike. He was a proud grandfather to Amelia, Emmett, Eloise, Dillon, and Wyatt, all of whom benefited from his unique blend of practical wisdom and questionable mentorship, most notably being introduced to online poker while perched on the arms of his leather recliner. He is survived by his sisters, Joyce, Pauline and Theresa, and brothers, Tommy and Phillip.

A lover of tennis, Don's amateur tennis pursuits were cut short by rheumatoid

arthritis. Still, he remained an enthusiastic observer of the game. He will also be remembered for his appreciation of history, a good book, a cold Modelo, home-canned tomatoes, spending time with his siblings, and a talent for dry, perfectly timed jokes.

He leaves behind a loving family, many stories, and a legacy of sharp humor and quiet intelligence.

All services will be private. In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations in his memory be made to Gather, which works to address food insecurity in the Seacoast region (124 Heritage Ave #3, Portsmouth, NH 03801) or online by clicking here (<https://secure.givelively.org/donate/gather>).

# Tribute Wall

MK

“ I have fond memories of working, socializing, and a bit of tennis with Don. He was so smart, a great tax guy, but an even better sense of humor. Condolences to the family. Mike and Lisa Keller

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**Michael Keller** - March 22 at 07:03 PM

SM

“ Mary Lou,  
So sorry to hear about the loss of your husband. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Steve Minor** - March 19 at 03:32 PM

RS

“ To the Morrissette family, my condolences. We will miss Don's humor! In peace, Randy Sargent

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**Randy Sargent** - March 16 at 06:13 PM

SU

“ Dear Mary Lou,  
  
Holding you in my heart at this tender time.

*Susan Abell*

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**Susan** - March 16 at 09:37 AM

CT

“ *Mary Lou,  
My sincere condolences to you and your family. Hold tight to your  
memories.*

*Chris Thrane  
South Burlington*

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**Chris Thrane** - March 15 at 08:56 AM

LR

“ *Dear Mary Lou and Family,*

*Thinking of you and keeping you in my prayers, as you journey  
through the loss of Don...a life well lived and loved.  
May the many memories you hold in your hearts bring you comfort.*

*Linda Ready*

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**Linda Ready** - March 14 at 08:59 PM

JC

“ Dear Mary Lou, Erin, Tim, and Kathryn. My first thought was how did you manage to get a picture of Don without his much-loved toque? I knew what I was in for the first day I met him--he off-handedly mentioned that he'd had a hard time deciding between wearing a suit or just a loincloth with a light coat of oil for his first day. I worked with Don for 20 years and then without Don for another 22 years after he retired. Work was never the same. Pam, Anna and I say without fail, whenever we get together, "I miss Don". It didn't matter what he did, he invariably kept us in stitches. Even when he was training me on tax return preparation (not the most enjoyable task under the best of conditions), I was aware how lucky I was to have Don as a teacher and mentor. We traded books back and forth, anxiously awaiting the next book to read and discuss, and just laughed about anything--even taxes. I'm not sure how we even got our work done! When any family called or stopped in the office, it didn't matter how busy he was, he was glad to see them and would go off and do whatever they wanted him to do! Don was a riot, but mostly a beloved father, husband, grandfather, sibling, friend, and co-worker. Jill C. xoxo

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**Jill Companion** - March 14 at 03:31 PM

PM

“ My brother Don was 8 years younger than I and therefore did not know him that well, until later in life. In retrospect I found him to be a very smart lad. He graduated 14th in his HS class and went on to becoming a professor at SUNY Canton NY. Interesting enough, he initially went to Mohawk Valley Tech in Utica, NY and had was enrolled in the Physics Curriculum where it was his most difficult course in HS, as he told me. He subsequently left MVCC and returned to Canton and entered the Accounting program where he excelled. And then became a CPA , as you all know. I admired my brother for his tenacity and perseverance and the enjoyable discussions we had whenever we had the occasion to visit. Love Philip your older brother

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**Philip A. Morrissette** - March 14 at 01:37 PM

CR

“ Dear Mary Lou and family. Don always had a funny topic to share. I thank him for his service to the country. A good husband, father, grandfather and a man. God bless him and his family. Colby and Marie

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**Colby Rottler** - March 14 at 12:26 PM

LF

“ Dear Mary Lou and family, my heartfelt condolences and prayers are with you. So very sorry for your loss.  
With love, Laurie Fitzpatrick

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**Laurie Fitzpatrick** - March 14 at 09:44 AM

TH

“ *Mary Lou and family. I have wonderful memories of my brother. One I'm sure he will deny was when we would play mass in the basement and he was the priest. He made communion by pressing bread into circles.*

*He was always willing to come pick me up whether it was after town hall dance or at Barnhardt beach. I remember working with him at toms taxi when I was in my teens. He will be missed for his unique sense of humor. Rest in peace Donnie. Love Theresa*

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**Theresa** - March 13 at 08:00 PM

KK

“ *Dearest Mary Lou, I'm sending my deepest sympathies and condolences to you and All of your family. Love, Kitty K*



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**Kitty Kelekci** - March 13 at 06:24 PM

JM

“ *I remember visiting Don and Mary Lou in Alaska. Don's mother was also visiting. Such a wonderful family, she taught me how to make bean soup which I'm sure she made plenty of for her family. I never forgot it and I continue to make it in memory of him.*

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**Janice Mills** - March 13 at 03:33 PM