

## **DONALD E. DOWNEY**

Donald E. Downey, 56, of Export, passed away Friday, January 13, 2023, at his home, with his loving family by his side, after a courageous battle with cancer. He was born June 3, 1966, in Pittsburgh, a son of Renee (Scholl) Downey and the late Donald Downey.

Don was a member of the Emmanuel Reformed United Church of Christ Hills Church. He worked at IDL Incorporated in East Butler for 33 years. Don was an avid golfer, and fisherman. He loved going on yearly beach vacations with family to Wildwood, New Jersey and the Outer Banks. Don enjoyed going to Vegas and gambling with his wife.

In addition to his father; Don was preceded in death by his mother and father-in-law, Chalmers and Norma Jean Kemerer; paternal grandparents, Martin and Nellie (Fothergill) Downey; and maternal grandparents, Edward and Martha (Brozek) Scholl.

Don will be missed dearly by his loving wife of 31 years, Tressa Sue (Kemerer) Downey; his children, Ashley Downey, Haleigh (Mac) Mittereder, Sgt. Tyler (Sgt. Estrella) Downey and Shaun Downey; and the proud Popz of Nieko Mittereder whom he loved very much. In addition, he is survived by a sister, Michelle (Christopher) Coleman, and many close family and friends.

Family and friends will be received from 2:00-4:00 and 6:00-8:00 pm, Monday, January 16, 2023, at the **VAIA FUNERAL HOME, INC.**, 463 Athena Dr., Delmont, PA, (724-468-1177). A service will be held for Don, on Tuesday, January 17, at 11:00 am at the Funeral Home.

The family would like to express their gratitude to the staff at the AHN Cancer Center, Forbes Hospital, and Bridges Hospice for the excellent care given. Thank you to all our family and friends for their support during Don's illness.

To send online expressions of sympathy, obtain grief support information or directions, please visit [www.VaiaFuneralHome.com](http://www.VaiaFuneralHome.com).

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