



## Mr. Donald Armin Blome

June 14, 1930 - August 21, 2014

Donald Armin Blome, age 84, of Asheville, N.C., died Thursday, August 21, at Mission Hospital. Don was born in Rochester, Mich., the son of the late Frederick and Leila Blome.

Don was an artist. He earned a Bachelors of Fine Arts degree from Michigan State University where he was editor of the humor magazine. He later owned a successful graphic design studio, Forkert-Blome & Associates in Chicago, where he served nationally known clients for more than 25 years.

He and his wife of 50 years, Phyllis McKnight Blome, moved to North Carolina in 1993, living in Wilmington for a few years before settling in Asheville where he was pleased to be able to paint full time. He exhibited in the Asheville Gallery of Art and the Biltmore Gallery Downtown in Asheville, The Art Cellar Gallery in Banner Elk, and New Elements Gallery in Wilmington. He was also a member of the Swannanoa Valley Fine Arts League.

For Don, art was a way of expressing an appreciation of life, specifically the world's landscapes and man's surroundings. The farmland, forests, and rolling hills of his childhood in the Great Lakes region gave him a lasting awareness of nature and the desire to express that in drawing and painting. He traveled throughout the United States, Europe, Latin America, and the Middle East, and painted the landscapes he saw there.

In addition to painting and traveling, he was an avid friend of birds, though eventually making peace with the squirrels and bears who raided his feeders. His wry sense of humor delighted his family and grandchildren. He spent

summers from his youth to the end of his life at Bois Blanc Island, Michigan. In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons: Donald Blome of Vienna, Va., and Erik Blome of Crystal Lake, Ill.; and five grandchildren: Sarah, Nicholas, and Carl Blome of Vienna, and Max and Noah Blome of Crystal Lake.

A memorial service will be held at 4:00pm on Monday August 25, 2014 at Morris Funeral Home, 304 Merrimon Ave, with the Rev. Harold Gore officiating. The family will receive friends immediately following the service.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

AUG **25**. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Morris Funeral & Cremation Care

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Donald Armin Blome*

October 07, 2023 at 11:15 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Although, I do not know your family personally, I would like to share some encouraging thoughts from the Bible. The Bible provides comfort during these difficult times. Revelation 21:3-4 states, And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away. Very soon now, we will never experience losing our loved ones in death and we will be able to see them again once they resurrected as per John 5:28-29. May these words give you a new hope.*

**Ana** - August 27, 2014 at 07:41 PM



“ *Thoughts, prayers and love to Phyllis and the Blome Family. Don was a warm, funny, talented man and he will be greatly missed. He lived a good life bringing beauty to the world and was very brave, thinking of others, in his valiant struggle to the end. He did love his family so. Courtenay Raymond McKelvy and the Raymond Family*

**Courtenay McKelvy** - August 25, 2014 at 10:02 AM



*Thank you Mrs. Raymond! Erik*

**Erik Blome** - August 26, 2014 at 10:10 AM