



## Donald A. Elston

July 28, 2013

Sussex - Donald "Pete" Elston, Sr., age 80, passed away on Sunday, July 28, 2013 at his residence. Born in Sussex to the late John P. and Violet (DeGroat) Elston, Pete had been a lifelong resident of the Sussex-Wantage area. He had been the owner and proprietor of the Fountain Square Inn in Sussex for nearly 50 years. He was a lifetime member of the Sussex Fire Department and a lifetime member of the Sussex Elks. He was the recipient of the Sussex Kiwanis Club, Clifton E. Lawrence, Outstanding American Award. Pete was predeceased by his twin brothers, John in 1983 and Gerald in 1992. He is survived by his son, Donald "Pete" Elston, Jr. and his wife Janet of Frankford; his daughter, Janice Utter and her husband Stanley of Frankford Township; his sister, Alice Swarts and her husband Frank of Wantage; grandchildren, Erin Meehan, Rita Elston, Ayla Utter and Meredith and her husband Adam Shortway; his great grandchildren, Dylan and Xavier; and numerous nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held on his birthday, Wednesday, July 31, 2013 at 8:30 p.m. at the Pinkel Funeral Home, 31 Bank Street, Sussex. Friends may pay their respects to the family on Wednesday from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the funeral home. Fireman services will be held at 6:30 p.m.. Private cremation services will be held at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations may be made to the Sussex Fire Department, 25 Loomis Avenue, Sussex, NJ 07461. Online condolences may be offered to the family at [www.pinkelfuneralhome.com](http://www.pinkelfuneralhome.com)



# Tribute Wall

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“ *Our sincere condolences are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Utter and family. Know that you are in our hearts and prayers.*

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**Cindy Brown** - August 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Thoughts and prayers to you, Janice and all of your family for your loss. Take care, Peggy*

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**Peggy Hudson** - July 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My thoughts go out to Janice, Ayla and Stanley and all of Mr Elston's family.  
Thoughts and prayers from Detroit area and all of Koei-Kan Karate in Michigan.*

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**Quin D'Amico** - July 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Mrs. Utter we were sorry to hear of your loss, we will keep you and your family in our thoughts and prayers during this trying time.*

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**Mike & Paula Mosher** - July 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM