



Donald R. Dehaan

November 16, 1926 - November 17, 2014

Donald R. Dehaan was born in 1926 to Henry and Myrtle Dehaan of Duluth, Minnesota. He was the second of four children, including Richard, Janet, and Robert. At 17 years of age during WWII, Don joined the United States Navy and served in the South Pacific on the USS Warhawk. He married his childhood sweetheart, Jean ("Bunny") in 1946. They moved to Oregon in 1947 with their first child, Cindy, followed by Sandra, Patrice, and David. Don and his brother, Bob, raced stock cars in the Pacific Northwest, winning the championship in 1953. He worked for General Motors as a claims adjuster, then joined the Allstate Insurance Company as an agent in 1960. Don was promoted several times into management positions with Allstate and helped start a new insurance company in Japan. Don and Bunny lived in Tokyo for five years before retiring from Allstate in 1984. He subsequently worked for two Silicon Valley start-up companies, AutoTrak and XImage. Don and Bunny lived in San Ramon, California for 12 years, where the people of the Canyon Creek Presbyterian Church became as family to them. In the year 2000, they moved to Rocklin, California. More recently they built a home and relocated to Bend, Oregon to be closer to members of their family. Don and Bunny have three sons-in-law: Gil, Ron, and Wayne; eight grandchildren: Christopher (Julie), David, Scott (Jenny), Ethan, Brynn (Shawn), Joshua (Fabienne), Sarah (Eric), and Daniel; and three great-grandchildren: Taylor, Cassidy, and Alana. Don loved little children and dogs and felt that anyone who did not feel likewise should not be trusted. Don and Bunny were best of friends and

partners for an incredible 68 years. They attribute their survival and success to each other. Dons kindness, gratitude, and positive outlook persisted even as his body weakened from Alzheimers disease. Don died at home with Bunny and family by his side, and was gathered into the arms of his Lord and Savior. Dons family deeply appreciates the care provided by the staff of Evergreen In-Home Services and Partners in Care.

Funeral Home:

Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home New

105 NW Irving Ave

Bend, OR

US 97701

Tribute Wall

CV

“ I realize that this is a late message to the family. I have tried to reach Don for a long time but unable to do so. I will always remember Don as a wonderful boss. He taught me a great deal and was a mentor of mine. He was responsible for my success with Allstate in Northern California. When I tried to reach Don, I decided to check to his whereabouts. I knew he was sick and was suffering from Prostate Cancer. I was extremely saddened to read that he died in November of last year. My sincere sympathy to all members of his family. Bunny was a wonderful and caring wife to Don. I will always remember my business experience with Don. He was a wonderful teacher of ethics, integrity, commitment, honor and discipline he displayed. I will never forget my interview with him when I joined Allstate. He was responsible for all my successes over the years. Carl Vallejos

Carl Vallejos - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Dear friendsour prayer and hope is that God will continue to embrace you, encourage you,and strengthen you by his Spirit. God has a way of preparing us for that transport to HeavenPraise His Holy Name for His comfort as we travel this path together into eternity. In Christ Alone.Campbell PD Chaplain Jim Morrison

Chaplain Jim Morrison - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ One of the finest men it has been my privilege to know and respect. A man of true integrity. What a legacy he leaves for his family.

Robert Hallock - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ My Grandfather was special and unique to me. I cherish the memories I have of him. I will never forget our many trips to pismo beach. Grandpa made every moment special and fun. I am happy to say I got to spend many special moments with him and grandma(bunny) too. I will miss him but feel fortunate to have had the BEST grandfather for over 45 years of my life. I will carry on his legacy. I love you Grandpa! Your grandson, David Johnson

David Johnson - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Dear Bunny, David, and family: We are so sorry to hear of Dons passing, but know the last few years were trying. He was a very special man, and Gene (my late husband) and I had nice times with you. Bunny, you are a special lady, and I remember you with great fondness. Although Roger did not know you as I did, David married us almost 8 years ago, and he has heard us talk about you. Our most deep condolences are extended to you and yours in this most sad time. Please remember all the good times. Hugs and love,
Roger and Charlene Hemsley

Roger and Charlene Hemsley - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM