



## Donald Douglas Beehn

April 3, 1927 - July 13, 2015

Donald Douglas Beehn passed away July 13, 2015, at the age of 88. Donald was born on April 3, 1927 in Flint, Michigan, to Opal Scott and Harry Beehn. After his mother, Opal Scott, passed away when he was seven months old, Don was raised by his grandmother and aunts until his father, Harry Beehn, remarried when Don was eight. The family moved to Bend, OR and then to Portland, OR where he graduated from Theodore Roosevelt High School in 1946. After graduation, Don served in the Navy for two years. After discharge from the Navy, Don returned to Portland, OR where he began working for Farmers Insurance in 1948. Farmers Insurance was the first and only company Don worked for. After holding various management positions in Oregon, Washington and California, Don retired in 1991 after 43 years. It was at Farmers Insurance where Don met his bride Carolyn Joy Wedge. Don and Carolyn were married for 55 years and are the proud parents of Kevin Douglas (Monica Beehn) and Kimberly Ann (David Cummins). They are blessed with six amazing grandchildren, Savannah Joy, Katherine Sophia, Tyler Douglas, Abigail Lydia, London Skye and Liberty Belle. Don was blessed to have a wonderful loving family as well as good friends across the country. After retirement, Don and Carolyn moved back to Don's hometown, Bend, OR. The two snowbirds travelled between Bend, OR and Yuma, AZ for several years. They continued the snowbird adventure when they moved to Billings, MT in 2006. Don and Carolyn had moved to Battle Ground, WA to live with their daughter Kim just three weeks prior to his death. Don loved warm

weather and one of his favorite adventures was fishing in La Paz, Mexico with his son Kevin and son in law David. The three made this trip several times and entertained friends with fish stories for years. Don was a lifetime member of the Elks Club, most recently in Billings, MT. He was also a member of the Royal Order of the Moose in Yuma, AZ. The family would like to extend a special thanks to the wonderful nurses at the Billings Clinic Heart Failure Unit. They took great care of Don and formed some great friendships. Memorial Services will be July 20th at 3:00 PM at Evergreen Memorial Gardens in Vancouver, WA. Interment will be at Willamette National Cemetery at a later date. A celebration of life will be held later this fall in Yuma, AZ with all their dear friends. Donations or gifts can be made in his honor to Heart Failure Fund C/O Billings Clinic Foundation, P.O. Box 31031 Billings, MT 59107

# Tribute Wall



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**Evergreen Memorial Gardens** - July 03, 2025 at 09:03 PM

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“ Rest in peace my friend. I will always hold dear our talks and our Applebee's lunches during your trips to Yuma. The world has lost one of the good guys. Kim, if you read this, I know how sad you must be but hold him and that smile in your heart and know how much he loved you and the family. He enjoyed life and he brought joy to others. He will be missed.

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**Warren Keith** - July 27, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Beehn family, you know how much Don meant to us and we are so sorry to see him go. He brought many years of happiness to our lives and he will be cherished always in our hearts. Some of our favorite times were during those Karaoke moments when Don would regale us with a song after a few Black Velvets under his belt. He may not be with us, but he still brings joy to our hearts. We love you guys and wished that we could be with you during this hardest of times

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**Leslie & Kerry** - July 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM