

Donald Dean Stutzman
June 19, 1926 - June 16, 2019

Donald Dean Stutzman, 92 of Albany, passed away Sunday.

Don was born in Cairo, Nebraska on June 19, 1926, to Aaron and Iva Stutzman. He was one of 9 siblings.

Don enlisted in the Army in 1944 and served in World War II in France, Germany, and Austria for 6 months with Company F, 38th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Division. During that time he was promoted to Corporal and was a section leader of 24 men. After his service, Don was honorably discharged in 1946.

Don met Bonnie Saltzman in the early spring of 1950 when Don and a friend attended Salem Mennonite Church in Shickley. Six months later, they were married on September 17, 1950, at the same church where they met. After their wedding, they lived in Cairo where Don and his brother had a well-drilling and plumbing business. Together, they enjoyed 65 years of marriage.

In 1951, Don and Bonnie started their little family with the birth of Kevin. About two years later Judy was born. The following year, they had their surprise as Bonnie gave birth to triplets - Donald, Darreld, and Darwin.

In 1958 Don and Bonnie moved to Oregon with their five children and settled into the Willamette Valley and worked in various mills, Nofziger Seed Company, and Midway Construction. In 1972, he started his own business, Don's Cat Service. After working for over 20 years in the business, he retired. After he retired from the excavation business he worked for Mennonite Village for many years in their maintenance department.

Don attended several churches over the years in Oregon and was an active member at Plainview and Fairview Mennonite, Albany First Assembly of God, and Neighborhood Church.

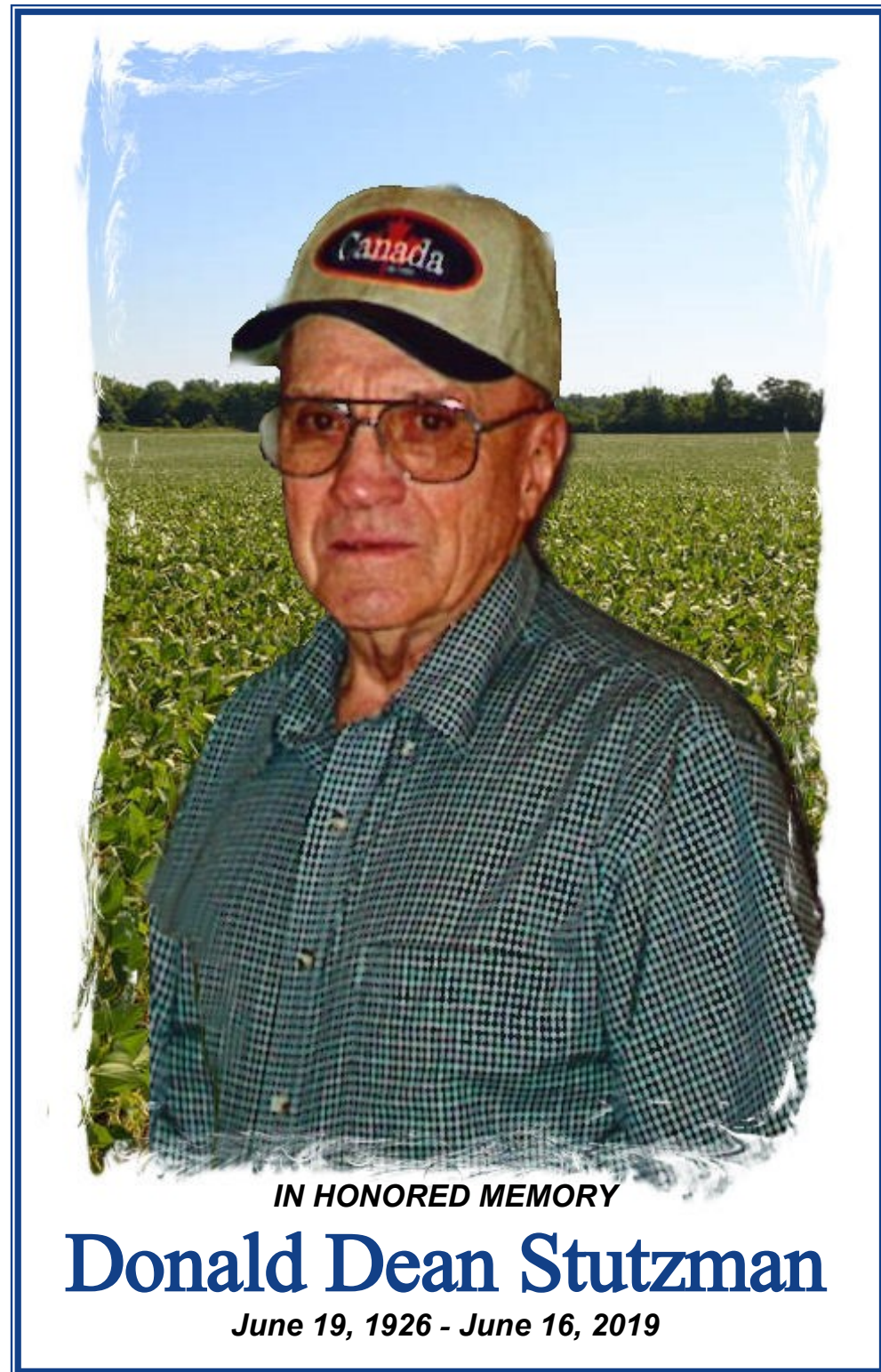
He enjoyed riding his trike-bike, telling jokes, gardening, drinking coffee with friends, crafting ladder ball games, and helping others as an all-around handyman,

Don is survived by son Kevin and wife Marilyn; daughter Judy Albrecht and husband Dale; son Donnie and wife Lori; and son Darwin; 11 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; 3 great-great-grandchildren; brothers Paul and Bob; and sister Ruth Hofer.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Bonnie; son Darreld; brothers Clyde, Dick, and Ray; sisters Ruby Stutzman and Fern Haima.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mennonite Village Foundation.

AASum-Dufour Funeral Home handled the arrangements (www.aasum-dufour.com).



IN HONORED MEMORY

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In Honored Memory of
Donald Dean Stutzman

Age 92

God saw that he was getting tired
and a cure was not to be.

So He put His arms around you
and whispered,

"Come with Me."

With tear-filled eyes we watched you suffer
and saw you fade away.

Although we LOVED YOU DEARLY
we could not make you stay.

A GOLDEN HEART stopped beating,
hard-working hands now rest.

God broke our hearts to prove to us

He only takes the best!

BORN

*June 19, 1926
Cairo, Nebraska*

ENTERED INTO REST

*June 16, 2019
Albany, Oregon*

FUNERAL SERVICE

*Friday, June 21, 2019 at 1 p.m.
Neighborhood Church
Albany, Oregon*

OFFICIANTS

*Pastor Kelly Dufour
Pastor Phil Schrock*

CONGREGATIONAL SONGS

*"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"
"I'll Fly Away"
"In the Garden"*

FUNERAL HONORS

Army Honor Guard

*Everyone is invited to a reception immediately
following the service.*