



Donal B. Wright

December 15, 1930 - February 24, 2016

Donal "Don" Wright passed on February 24th 2016 in Wenatchee, Washington at the age of 85.

Don was born on December 15th, 1930 in Naper, Nebraska on a ranch to Elmer and Ethel Wright, he was the youngest of 14 children.

He attended school in Nebraska, and worked on several cattle ranches in western Nebraska before joining the U.S. Navy in 1951. He served four years in the Navy most of which was overseas during the Korean War.

He married Ethel Papstien in December of 1955 in Nebraska. They moved out west shortly after eventually settling in Wenatchee, Washington where he worked in the fruit industry. He and his son Lynn started their own business; Wright's Lawn Service. Don also farmed and owned Flying W Orchards; he had apples and cherries and was in the industry for over 15 years. He retired in 2005 after over 40 years of service to the Wenatchee Valley. Don was a true outdoorsman; he loved to hunt and fish with his son Lynn and friends. He was an early riser and enjoyed watching the sun come up every morning. One of his favorite activities was to team rope with Lynn, he

looked forward to the weekends when they would travel to roping events. Don also loved to watch his grandchildren's sporting events over the years. He never missed a game and traveled across the state and country to watch them play. He and Ethel shared many hobbies together over the years including trips up to Manson to visit with friends at Mill Bay Casino.

Don is survived by his wife Ethel of 60 years, his only son Lynn and three grandchildren; Brandon and his wife Mandy, Chelsea and David all of East Wenatchee. He is preceded in death by his parents, seven sisters, six brothers and one grandchild; Jessica.

Don will be greatly missed by his family, friends, roping friends, co-workers and all that knew him.

A funeral service will be held on Monday, February 29, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. at Celebration Lutheran Church, with services concluding at the church. Memorial donations may be made to the Mule Deer Foundation.

Arrangements

are by Telford's Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Our deepest sympathy to all of you. Our hearts are saddened by hearing of the passing of Don. We wished we could have been there for the service.*

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