



Donald Lee Brey

March 9, 1934 - November 27, 2024

Donald Lee Brey, 90, of Springdale, Arkansas, passed away on Wednesday, November 27, 2024, at The Blossoms in Van Buren. He was born on March 9, 1934, in Gretna, Nebraska, to William Brey and Whielmina Sievers Brey.

Donald proudly served his country in the United States Navy aboard the USS Curtis as a Boiler Tender. During his service, The Curtis participated in atomic and hydrogen bomb tests, earning Donald the distinction of being an Atomic Veteran.

A devoted member of Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Fayetteville, Donald was instrumental in its establishment. He began his career as a farmer alongside his parents in Nebraska. Following his military service, he worked as a delivery driver for an ice cream company and he owned and operated a convenience store in Gretna. Donald later worked at Sapp Brothers Truck Stop before moving to Northwest Arkansas, where he operated a bait shop at Bev-A-Rama. He transitioned to real estate with Century 21 and later worked for Goodyear Tires and the Washington County Road Department. In his later years, he enjoyed hauling and delivering travel trailers.

Donald loved spending time with his family, especially fishing, camping, and RVing. His warm presence and many talents left a lasting impression on everyone who knew him.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his daughter, Denice Roberts; and his son, Michael Brey.

Donald is survived by his loving wife, Margie Brey, of the home; three children: Debbie Burson and spouse Sandy of Springdale, Dustin Brey and wife Denice of Mountain Home, and Melody Gangoso of Springdale; six grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, December 7th, at 12 p.m., at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Fayetteville.

In lieu of flowers in Donald's memory donations may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Online condolences may be shared at www.siscofuneral.com.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

DEC 7. 12:00 PM (CT)

Emmanuel Lutheran Church
2901 E Zion Rd Suite #17
Fayetteville, AR 72703
(479) 442-3040

Tribute Wall

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“ *Margie, your love for Don was shown during his care season. May your life be comforted by his passing into the arms of our Lord. Bill Golbuff*

Bill Golbuff - December 06, 2024 at 04:08 PM

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“ *Margie, Lee and I remember sitting with you and Don during services for many years. May our Lord send you comfort through your loving and happy memories. Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal. Joyce and Lee Carlsen*

Joyce Carlsen - December 05, 2024 at 07:04 AM

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“ *Margie, So sorry to hear about Don. May he rest in peace. It was so good to know both of you. Theda & Robert Hall*

Theda & Robert Hall - December 04, 2024 at 09:46 AM

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“ *Margie, it was so nice getting to know you and Don these last few years. He was respected for all of his military work and everything he did. May the Lord Bless you and keep you. Lovingly, Keith and Marla Harris*

Marla Harris - December 03, 2024 at 01:33 PM