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Donald Edward Dilger, age 82, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, Jan. 22nd with his loving wife, Shirley at his side. He was preceded in death by his parents Lillian and Don Dilger. Don enjoyed his many years in the barber business. He had a busy barber shop in Tacoma, where he was known for his special styling abilities, and quick wit. He made it a mission in his life to make others laugh through his pranks and jokes. He shared many stories with his customers and debating current events. Don and Shirley married in 1957, and enjoyed traveling and spending time in Arizona. He was a devoted husband, and had a special place in his heart for animals. He spent time in the military during the Korean Conflict. He was a member of the Tacoma Italian Lodge, Sons of Italy. Don is survived by his wife Shirley, his brothers Robert (Donna) and Richard (Melva) and sister, Barbara Anderson. Don leaves behind many loving nieces and nephews. A celebration of his life will be held Wednesday, January 29 at 12pm at the Mountain View Celebration of Life Center. A catered lunch will be provided. In lieu of flowers, please send a donation to your favorite animal rescue shelter.




Events


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Graveside Service

 **Wednesday**, January 29, 2014


 11:30 AM PT


 **Mountain View Memorial Park**
4100 Steilacoom Blvd. SW, Lakewood WA
98499

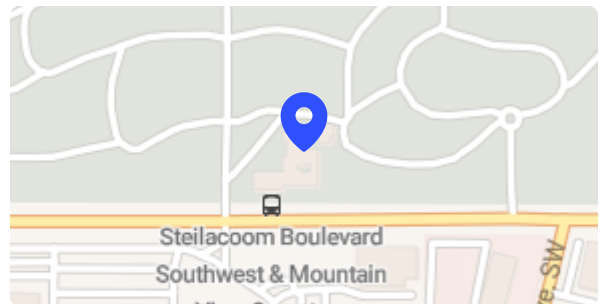


Reception

 **Wednesday**, January 29, 2014

 12:00 PM PT

 **Mountain View Celebration of Life Center**
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Tribute Wall

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CG

Cheryl Gacek posted:

Hey Uncle Donny, today is the day we will be celebrating your life. I know you would rather we didn't make you the center of attention. I remember all kinds of things about you when I was growing up. In my adult life I remember the last 7 months we spent together once a week. You made me laugh and I heard great stories. You showed me that even facing what you were facing one could still find the humor in it. There is one memory I will carry closest to my heart though. Its the night we went out to dinner and we were walking arm and arm. you said to me "I wish you were my Daughter". That touched me so deeply and meant so much to me. I will forever cherish those words and that moment. I love you Uncle Donny! Cheryl

January 29 at 4:48 AM

NC

Nancy And Stan Clark posted:

Dear Dilger family, We are so sorry to read about your loss of Don. He was a very kind, thoughtful, and compassionate person. We enjoyed our fun times during Christmas times at Melva and Dicks home. Sorry we cannot attend due to health problems. But we will donate to a home for an abused animal in his name. Stan and Nancy Clark

January 28 at 7:07 AM

EH

Ed Hauge posted:

My fondest memory (now that much time has passed!) is when my Grandpa took me to Don's barber shop for a haircut when I was about 5 years old. I thought I was getting a little "off the top." Don had me turned away from the mirror the entire time, and when he was finished, he turned me back around to the mirror. I had a crew cut! I cried all the way home. I'll always remember Don for his great sense of humor. Ed Hauge Jr.

January 28 at 2:19 AM

RF

Roy & Peggy Riden & Family lit a candle in honor of Donald.

Dear Family, Our hearts ache for your loss. We love Donnie dearly and I remember when I was just 11 years old ... I babysat both he and Dorothy at the same time. They were both so good for me. Although I am in the hospital and cannot attend his Service, know that you are all in our prayers and that we love you. Today, we made a donation to the Tacoma Animal Shelter in his honor ... and flowers will be there for the Memorial. May God bless and comfort you all. We love you ... Roy and Peggy & Family



January 27 at 5:17 AM



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KM

Karen And Marty posted:

Shirley, I enjoyed talking with Don whenever I would see him walking through the neighborhood. You could tell he was a caring person. Karen and I are sad for your loss. I am also sad for not spending more time with him these last few months. I pray that you will seek and find comfort in our Lord. He is our Great Counselor. And please let Karen and I know if there is anything at all we can do. Or if you just want to come over. May God bless you with his presence.

January 27 at 4:19 AM

PE

Peggy posted:

Oh, Shirley, I am so sad for you. I remember last summer when I saw you in the Harbor & you told me with tears in your eyes that you had just learned of Don's diagnosis. And he's gone so soon. My heart goes out to you. May you find peace in the myriad of memories you have of him. Take care of yourself. I'm retired now, so you are welcome to call me at home 253 857-7696, or e-mail me at rutabaga2@icloud.com. Peggy Ingraham

January 26 at 2:46 PM

KM

Kathy Miller posted:

I will always have fond memories of his wonderful, crazy sense of humor. Kathy Miller

January 24 at 12:51 PM

MM

Marv Miller posted:

He was my coolest uncle. I still remember the first time we met. My Aunt Shirley was babysitting me at my grandma's house. He took one look at me and told me to go play in the traffic. I will miss him. Marv Miller

January 24 at 12:44 PM



Mountain View Funeral Home, Memorial Park & Crematory shared an album called **Memories**.

January 24 at 9:47 AM





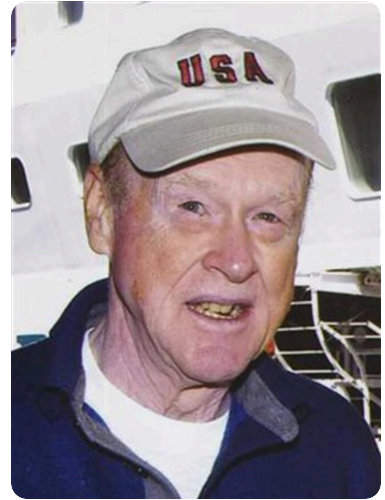
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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Donald by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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