



# Donald Jordan Christensen

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**D**on was born on May 19, 1942 in Corry, PA. After joining the U.S Air Force in 1961, he spent time at several bases on the east coast and a tour in Vietnam in 1971 before being stationed at McChord AFB near Tacoma, WA for 10 years. He retired in 1983 as a Senior Master Sergeant from the Air Force after a respected career. He then enjoyed a second career of over 20 years as a short and long haul truck driver.

Throughout his life and in retirement, he enjoyed camping with his family, riding motorcycles, fishing on his boat, trips around the country with his travel trailer, generously supporting a number of Indian casinos in Washington and Oregon with his wife Gail, and spending time at his cabin in Oyehut at Ocean Shores visiting with friends he made there. Most recently, he spent his winters in Arizona with his second wife Linda and a community of like-minded friends.

Don passed away peacefully at Madigan Army Medical Center surrounded by his family on the evening of November 1, 2020 at the age of 78. He was preceded in death by his parents Peter Marinus and Mary Alice Christensen, his brother Marinus Christensen Jr, his sisters Louise Kaufold and Dorothy Sybrant, and his loving wife of 48 years, Gail (Butler) Christensen.

He is survived by his sisters Betty Beckwith and Maren Webster, his children David, Donald Jr., and Denise (Detlefsen), eight grandchildren, two great grandchildren, his wife Linda (Post) Christensen, whom he married in 2017, and her children and grandchildren. He was cherished by his family for his generosity and dry sense of humor.

Don and his late wife Gail will be placed together at Tahoma National Cemetery with a private family ceremony. A celebration of life event will be held at a later date when it can be done safely.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to Disabled American Veterans (DAV) or a favorite charity in his honor.



## Tribute Wall

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LC

**Larry Christensen** posted:

Cousins David, Donnie and Denise I'm so sorry to hear about your loss. I always thought a lot of your father. My prayers are with you. Larry Christensen

December 9 at 5:06 AM

MB

**Melanie Berg** posted:

We of the Danish Brotherhood of America are sorry for your loss. Don attended several meetings and came to our Danish Julefest at the Elks in Lakewood. We enjoyed his company. We just recently heard of his passing. May God's peace abide with each of you. Melanie Berg, Treasurer

November 29 at 4:49 AM

DD

**Denise Detlefsen** lit a candle in honor of Donald.



November 16 at 10:15 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

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



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