

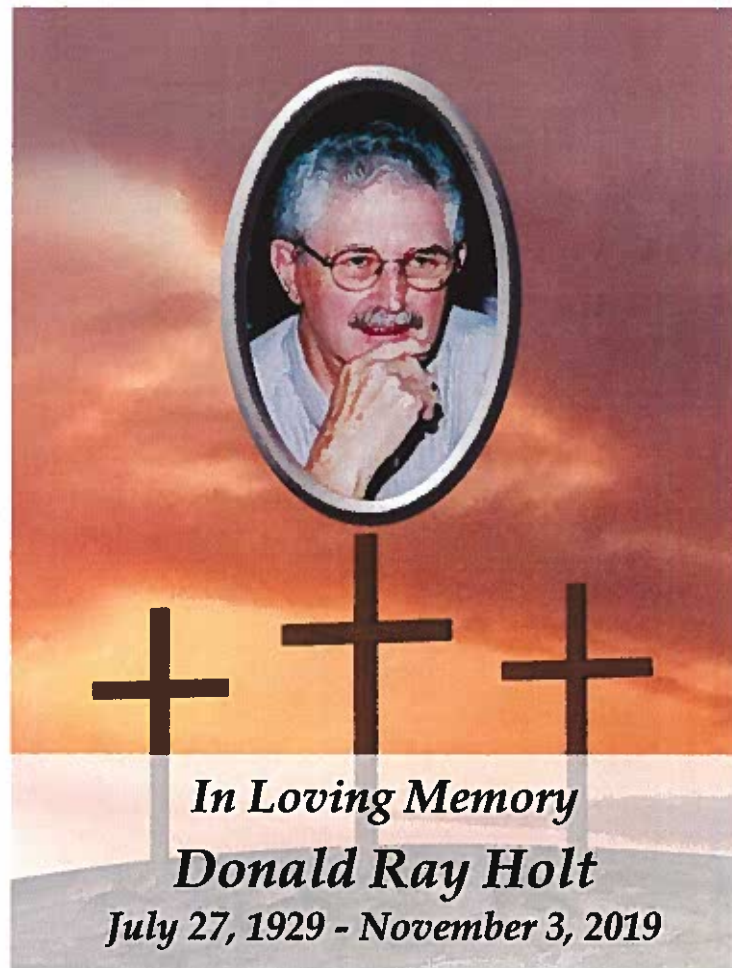
APPRECIATION

On behalf of the family, we wish to express their gratitude for your many kindnesses evidenced in thought and deed, and for your attendance at Don's service.



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OBITUARY

Donald Ray Holt of Springfield, Missouri died November 3, 2019, at the age of 90. Don was born on July 27, 1929, in Cherryvale, Kansas to Drew and True (Barker) Holt.

Don married DeAnn Banwart on April 18, 1957 in Fort Scott, Kansas. He graduated from high school in Cherryvale, junior college at Fort Scott Community College, and Pittsburg State University, Pittsburg, Kansas. He served four years in the U.S. Navy as an Aviation Electronics Technician during the Korean War. Don was employed by railroads for 37 years, beginning at age 18 as a telegraph operator for the Frisco. After moving to Springfield in 1960, he was an operations supervisor in Frisco's Communications and Signals Department, eventually moving the department into the computer age. After Frisco's merger with Burlington Northern, he worked on the staff of the Vice President in Operations Department. As long as health permitted, Don was very active in sports. He especially enjoyed basketball, bowling, and tennis. After retirement at age 55, in addition to sports, he volunteered many hours at Southminster Presbyterian Church, UMHE, and Springfield Council of Churches, and enjoyed lots of time with grandchildren.

Don is survived by his wife DeAnn; children: Carol Price (Chuck), Drew Holt, and Kim Bush (Charlie); grandchildren: Jessica Apostle (Mike), Elizabeth Looten (Josh), Charlie Price, Ruth Price, Morgen Holt, Jeff Bess, Meghan Holt, and Marra Holt; great-grandchildren: Elena, Audrey, Brady, Natalie, and Joseph; sister June Wilson; brother Jerry Holt (Corine); brother-in-law Jim Banwart (Connie) and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Don's parents and brother, Jim preceded him in death.

Memorial services will be held at Trinity Presbyterian Church, 1900 East Barataria on Friday November 8 at 2:00 pm, followed by time for conversation with family. Private burial at Missouri Veterans Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to Trinity Presbyterian Church's Eden Village Project, Springfield Council of Churches, or charity of choice.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Donald Ray Holt

BORN

*July 27, 1929
Cherryvale, Kansas*

PASSED AWAY

*November 3, 2019
Springfield, Missouri*

MEMORIAL SERVICE

*2:00 pm Friday
November 8, 2019
Trinity Presbyterian Church*

OFFICIATING

Reverend Chris Miller

FINAL RESTING PLACE

*Missouri Veterans Cemetery
Springfield, Missouri*