



## Donald Mottaz

February 17, 1931 - June 11, 2009

Donald Eugene Mottaz of Moses Lake, went to be with his Lord Jesus June 11, 2009 at the age of 78.

Don was born February 17, 1931 in Omaha Neb. to the parents of Ethel and Arthur Mottaz. He graduated from Omaha Technical high school.

Don spent his life work on and interested in electronic equipment of all types.

He spent four years in the Air Force during the Korean War. He was an engineer for Raytheon Corporation and Avco, traveling all over the United States. Don worked on various radar technologies for more than 20 years including the radar installation at Othello Wa. He followed that for several years as part owner of the Radio Shack stores in Moses Lake and Ephrata.

Don spent the last 20 years of his working life employed by the Grant County PUD. He retired in 1998 and devoted much of his spare time to teaching computer skills to hundreds at the Moses Lake Senior Center.

Don was a loyal friend, a dedicated worker, and a loving husband and father. He will be remembered for his strong will and independent nature. If it needed fixed, he could fix it. He loved watching the Mariners and was a Corn Husker at heart. He will be greatly missed by his family, church family, senior center friends, and others that he touched on his journey through life.

Don was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Bob, and granddaughter Stacey Jo Budd.

Don is survived by his wife Diane of 54 years, his sister Grace Vinzens of San Bernardino Ca, his sons Donald Arthur Mottaz and his wife Sheri and family of

Issaquah Wa., Richard Randall Mottaz and his wife Sheila of Pasco Wa., and daughter Patricia Anne Mullenix and her husband Robert and family of Ephrata Wa. Eleven grand children and two great grand children.

Memorial services will be held at 11:00A.M. Wednesday, June 17, 2009 at the Moses Lake Assembly of God, 431 E. Brown Ave. Arrangements are in care of Kayser's Chapel & Crematory, Moses Lake. You may sign the guestbook or leave a note for the family at [www.kayserschapel.com](http://www.kayserschapel.com)

# Previous Events

## Service

JUN 17. 11:00 AM (PT)

Assembly at Moses Lake  
431 E. Brown Ave.  
Moses Lake, WA

# Tribute Wall



“ It was a pleasure to have known Don and taken care of him over the years..I was saddened to hear of his passing..God bless you all during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Theresa McGhuey##imported-end##

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June 19, 2009 at 12:21 AM



“ Diane & family,  
We are so sorry at the loss of such a wonderful man. Don always greeted us and had great words of wisdom and encouragement. Especially for me in the soundbooth ;) at church when the powerpoint went wacky. we are going to miss him, but are so comforted in knowing we WILL meet him again as he greets us at the pearly gates. He has blessed so many people with his smle and quick witt. We love you all and his memory will live on thru each of us.  
Brian, Denise & Andrew Eddie##imported-begin##Denise Eddie##imported-end##

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June 17, 2009 at 09:28 PM



“ Dearest Family of Don.

*Arie and I will remember Don fondly, first and foremost, as a faithful servant of the Lord. We appreciated his warm welcome on Sundays and Wednesdays at church, as he greeted in his duties as an usher. You could always count on Don to be there even during his less than comfortable days of fighting back against cancer. Don was not a complainer, but, he did expect the doctors to find solutions.*

*I worked with Don at GCPUD and remember, in particular, the following situation. He came to my office to hook-up something new to my computer. Our maintenance people, nor me, had time to move the computers much for cleaning; therefore, upon his switching it out found many “fuzzy buggers” roaming the desk top. I remember he stood there with arms folded looking at me as if waiting for me to make the next move. With what I think was a questionable look on my face waiting for him to finish Don says: “Well, Kitty, aren’t you going to clean up this mess?” THAT was our Don! (Yes, I did proceed to dust and we both felt better about the encounter.)*

*Another memorable experience was when Arie and I were walking ON THE SIDEWALK, and noticed this white car heading right for us!! Oh yes, it was “NASCAR driver wanna be”, Don, behind the wheel. Don, if you can read and/or hear this in heaven Arie has asked your new overseer NOT TO GIVE YOU A LICENSE TO DRIVE FLY OR WHATEVER until you take safety classes!*

*GO CORN HUSKERS! Each time I fly the BIG RED flag during football season and each time I watch their games I will be yelling TWICE as loud----one octave for you and the other for you!*

*On a more serious note, getting beyond the strong will and independent nature, we know how much of a marshmallow you were on the inside and how very much you loved and wanted to care for your family.*

*Diane, his sweetheart wife and Mike, the chef Don was so proud—  
other family, we will miss Don's presence amongst us; however, we  
know one day we will meet again!*

*"May God send His love like sunshine in His warm and gentle way,  
to fill each corner of your heart each moment of today." In Christ,  
Arie and Kitty VanHeusden##imported-begin##Arie & Kitty  
VanHeusden##imported-end##*

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*“ I was saddened to see that Don had passed away. As a 30 year  
PUD employee and later a member of the Moses Lake Sr. Center, I  
had opportunities to see and talk with Don. I was always helpful  
regarding those computer issues. Of Course, PUD people are  
family, kind of like "once a Marine always a Marine". PUD people  
are like that.*

*May your memories be rich with blessings. God Bless, a friend,  
Wanda Holloway##imported-begin##Wanda Holloway##imported-  
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June 16, 2009 at 08:06 PM