

Donald James Reis

MAY 30, 2002 12:00 AM

A funeral Mass for Donald James Reis, 78, of Coos Bay, will be held at noon on Friday, May 31, at St. Monica Catholic Church, 357 S. Sixth St., Coos Bay. The Rev. Mike Walker will officiate.

He was born Nov. 8, 1923, in Storm Lake, Iowa. He died of a stroke on May 28, 2002, in Coos Bay.

Donald worked as a civil and structural engineer with the U.S. Geological Survey, Tacoma City Light, consultants in Seattle; and the Federal Aviation Administration in Seattle, Los Angeles, San Mateo, Calif., and Cleveland. He retired to Coos Bay.

Donald graduated from the University of Idaho at Moscow in 1949 with a bachelor's degree in civil engineering. He served in World War II in the 11th Airborne Division of the U.S. Army in New Guinea, the Philippines and Japan. He was awarded the Purple Heart.

Donald married Eva Weigel, of Molalla, in 1950. He was a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, Knights of Columbus and St. Monica Catholic Church. He enjoyed fishing, canoeing, hiking, camping, reading, gardening and sports, especially football.

He is survived by his wife, Eva Reis of Coos Bay; daughters, Mary Reis of Cotati, Calif., and Laurie Reis of Santa Rosa, Calif.; sons and daughters-in-law, Jim and Paula Reis of Myrtle Point, Tom Reis of Vancouver, Wash., Paul and Leah Reis of Coos Bay and Dave Reis of Salem; sister, Kathleen Skresvig of La Mirada, Calif.; granddaughters, Cassandra, Honekekala, Oriana, Amber and Allison; and grandsons, Kiawe, Cody, Abel and Dustin.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Art and Alice Reis; brother, Frank; daughter, Annie; and grandson, Jakiya.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the Southwestern Chapter of the American Council of the Blind of Oregon, 1893 Kingwood Ave., Coos Bay, Ore. 97420.

Arrangements are under the direction of Coos Bay Chapel, 267-3131.

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