



Donald Joseph Fitzgerald

August 27, 1926 - February 16, 2017

Donald Joseph Fitzgerald, age 90, of Fonda, Iowa died February 16, 2017 at Fonda Specialty Care in Fonda.

Funeral Mass will be held Saturday, February 25, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Fonda. Burial will be in the Mt. Zion Catholic Cemetery in Fonda. Visitation will take place one hour prior to the service at the church. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Storm Lake is in charge of the arrangements.

Donald Joseph Fitzgerald was born August 27, 1926 on a farm north of Fonda, Iowa, the son of Daniel and Blanche (Morrison) Fitzgerald.

As an infant, he was baptized at St. Columbkille Catholic Church in Varina. He was later confirmed in 1936.

Don attended grade school at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic School in Fonda.

In October of 1950, Don joined the United States Army where he served his country during the Korean War. He was stationed in Germany and France before his honorable discharge in 1952.

Don worked in the industrial plant in Fort Dodge and Laurens, Iowa.

He was a faithful member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Fonda.

Don enjoyed traveling, playing cards, putting together puzzles, and watching westerns on television. He especially liked to drive slowly around Fonda several times a day.

Those left to cherish his memory include his sister-in-law, Alsie Fitzgerald; nieces: Beulah Imming, Patricia Oder, Sandra Lichter, Gloria Mobley, Janice Barker, Janet Smrkowski, Virgie Nagel, Jacquie Vegors, Peggy Simons, Linda Nattress, Jayme Fitzgerald; nephews: Daniel Kilbride, Tim Townsend, Jim Townsend; extended family and friends.

Don was preceded in death by his parents; brothers: Edward (Lorie) Fitzgerald, Harold (Blondie) Fitzgerald, Eugene Fitzgerald, Daniel William "Bill" Fitzgerald, James Fitzgerald; sisters: Margaret (Joseph) Kilbride, Mary Delores (Virgil) McCullough, Catherine (Charles) Miller, Alice Freeman, Eleanor (Ferdinand Jr.) Townsend.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **25**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church -- Fonda
513 North Main Street
Fonda, IA 50540

Service

FEB **25**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Interment

FEB **25**. 12:00 PM (CT)

Mt. Zion Catholic Cemetery
Fonda, IA 50540

Tribute Wall

LO

“ *Louis lit a candle in memory of Donald Joseph Fitzgerald*



louis - February 24, 2017 at 10:00 PM

ML

“ *My deepest sympathy to the family, May he rest in peace with the Lord.*



mary lange - February 22, 2017 at 10:01 PM

TF

“ *The Batzers and the Finerans purchased the Fields of Europe for Spring for the family of Donald Joseph Fitzgerald.*



The Batzers and the Finerans - February 20, 2017 at 02:41 PM

RS

“ Don's quiet faith as Bill so appropriately noted was impressive. I so admired how he and Al Korwes faithfully came to Mass and the Rosary. One can always feel the simple firm faith of men like Don. Behind Don's quietness was a smile, a simple hi and a small wave especially when you met him in his daily car trips around town. God's Blessings and Peace to Don and his family.

Randy and Marilyn Schmitt - February 18, 2017 at 06:51 PM

BT

“ Don was, indeed, a gentle man. He knew every inch of every street in his little Mayberry. Don was dedicated to his faith. He and Al Korwes were devoted to O.L.G.C.'s Sunday morning rosary..... They were, always, the first ones there. Eternal happiness be yours, Don, good and faithful servant. You've earned it, friend..... Bill T.

Bill Tiedeman - February 18, 2017 at 01:17 PM

SL

“ Don was my uncle, when growing up he taught me how to drive, He ate holidays dinners at our house when we were growing up. He was a gentle soul. RIP Don



Sandy Lichter - February 18, 2017 at 06:46 AM