



Donald J. Fetter

October 12, 1923 - March 18, 2018

Donald J. Fetter, 94, of Napoleon, Ohio died Sunday, March 18, 2018 at Genacross Lutheran Home, Napoleon, Ohio. He was born October 12, 1923 in Napoleon to the late William F. and Emma (Badenhop) Fetter. On November 6, 1949, he married Betty (Bremer) Fetter who preceded him in death on February 13, 2008. On December 30, 2010 he married Virginia Schuster Fetter and she survives.

Don was a 1941 graduate of Napoleon High School and attended Bowling Green State University. On December 7, 1942 he entered the Naval Academy where he earned his reserve commission in the United States Marine Corps. On completion of his flight training at Naval Air Station, Pensacola he earned his wings as a multi engine pilot. He trained as a pilot of a B25, PBJ medium bomber and saw overseas duty in the south and central Pacific as a multi engine plane commander. After the war he was sent to Guam and Japan and returned home in July 1946 on inactive duty. He was recalled to active duty May 2, 1952 during the Korean War attaining the rank of Major and he was honorably discharged on February 20, 1959.

He was active in his family insurance and real estate business before he was recalled to service. Upon returning home he purchased the family agency and another large agency to form Donald Fetter Real Estate and Insurance Agency. In 1964, Fetter agency merged with 2 other agents to form Associated Insurance Agency and Fetter Realty. He became sole owner of the agency in 1979 and retired in 1985.

He was a life long member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon. He served as chairman of the Congregation for two terms, chairman of the board of Elders, Treasurer, Stewardship director, Sunday school teacher, usher, and member of the building committee for the construction of the church and school.

He was also very active in the Napoleon community and served as President of the Napoleon City council for two terms, Chairman of the citizens committee for the promotion of the new high school and passage of the construction levy, President of the Chamber of Commerce, President and Director of the Napoleon Rotary Club, Director of the Henry County Airport Authority during the construction, Director of Banc Ohio the Community Bank, life member of the Bert G. Taylor Post 300 of the American Legion, and charter member of VFW Post 8218.

He is also survived by his daughters, Linda (Brian) Lester of Springfield, Virginia, Patricia (Jim Merrill) Pastorek of Peoria, Arizona; grandchildren, Brad (Mary) Pastorek of New York City, New York, Brent (Elizabeth) Pastorek of Hilliard, Ohio; 3 great grandchildren; stepchildren, Tom (Cathy) Vorwerk of Napoleon, Ohio Scott (Colleen) Snyder of Fond Du Lac, Wisconsin, Mike Schuster of Ninilchik, Alaska, James (Donna) Schuster of Fairbanks, Alaska, and Carol Keller of Fort Myers, Florida; 12 step grandchildren; and 10 step great grandchildren. He was also preceded in death by his son, Thomas Fetter; brothers, Wilbur and Willis Fetter; and a sister, Beulah McDougal. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, March 21 at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon, Ohio. Interment will follow at Glenwood Cemetery where military honors will be accorded by the Napoleon Joint Veteran Posts.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday from 4-7 p.m. at Rodenberger Funeral Home, Napoleon and Wednesday from 1-2 p.m. at the church.

Memorial contributions are suggested to St. Paul Lutheran Church or Genacross Lutheran Home of Napoleon.

Online condolences may be made at www.rodenbergerfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Glenwood Cemetery

Napoleon, OH 43545

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 20. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Napoleon Funeral Home
1010 Westmoreland Avenue
Napoleon, OH 43545
(419) 592-2333
help@rodenbergergray.com

Visitation

MAR 21. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

St. Paul Lutheran Church
1075 Glenwood Ave.
Napoleon, OH 43545

Service

MAR 21. 2:00 PM (ET)

St. Paul Lutheran Church
1075 Glenwood Ave.
Napoleon, OH 43545

Tribute Wall

JS

“ To the family of Don... Sending you my sincere sympathy on the passing of Don. Bob and I had many card playing evenings with your parents and Florence and Dick, we so enjoyed those times. Again, please except my thoughts and prayers as you walk this difficult time.

Jackie Sautter - March 21, 2018 at 12:44 PM

JV

“ We were so sorry to hear about Don's passing. Mom and Dad considered them best friends and treasured all the times they spent together. You are in our thoughts and prayers.
Cassie Genuit and family

Jane VanLangevelde - March 20, 2018 at 05:41 PM

KW

“ My dad, Arthur Reimund from Malinta, often spoke of Don and their WW2 memories and experiences in the south Pacific and Guam. They are both respected Veterans and proud to serve their country. I extend my condolences to the families and friends of Don Fetter.
Karla (Reimund) Wolfrum

Karla Wolfrum - March 20, 2018 at 04:10 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald J. Fetter.



March 20, 2018 at 08:27 AM

SB

“ Linda and Pat....so sorry to hear about Uncle Don. What a great uncle and person. I always looked up to both Uncle Don and Aunt Betty. I passed on the news to Lindsay, Ryan, Liz and Lainie who all expressed their sympathy. They all have great memories of Uncle Don teaching them to knee board and ski at Devils Lake.

Steve Borris

steve borris - March 19, 2018 at 05:47 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald J. Fetter.



March 19, 2018 at 05:15 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Donald J. Fetter.



March 19, 2018 at 03:55 PM

KR

“ So sad to hear of Uncle Don's passing. I have such fond memories of him and Aunt Betty throughout my childhood, especially at Devil's Lake every summer. Many thoughts and prayers to his family!

-Kari Robbins

Kari Robbins - March 19, 2018 at 03:48 PM

YH

“ *Your friends at HEI Health purchased the Love Everlasting Bouquet for the family of Donald J. Fetter.*



Your friends at HEI Health - March 19, 2018 at 02:15 PM