

Donald J. Oglesby

HUBBARD OH Donald J. Oglesby, 73, crossed the bar to be with his Lord on March 3, 2014. Don was born March 4, 1940 in Aberdeen, Wash., to the late John C and R Geraldine (Smith) Oglesby. He attended Morgan Jr High School in Ellensburg, Wash., North Central High School in Spokane, Wash., and received his BS degree from the University of the State of New York in 1982. Don enlisted in the US Navy in 1957, serving on destroyers home ported in Norfolk, Va., and Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, and at Fleet Sonar School, Key West, Fla. He received an Honorable Discharge from the Navy as a Chief Petty Officer in 1969 and returned to Spokane. In 1971 he enlisted in the US Coast Guard and served at Fleet Training Group, Pearl Harbor. He retired from the Coast Guard in 1982. After retiring, he relocated to LaCrosse, Wis. and served for 15 years as a Motor Carrier Inspector for the Wisconsin State Patrol.

Don was an active member in the Military Officers Association of America; he was a member and past president of the La Crosse Chapter, member of the Ohio Western Reserve Chapter and a charter member and Secretary/Treasurer of the Mahoning and Shenango Valleys Chapter. He was also a member of Austintown American Legion Post 301, Wisconsin State Patrol Alumni Association, Chief Warrant Officers Association, and Ohio Buckeye Coasties Group. He was a member of Grace Fellowship Church, Warren, Ohio and a volunteer reader for Reading Radio Service of Youngstown. Don was an avid fan of NASCAR and enjoyed fishing and cooking.

He is survived by his wife Janet Robison Oglesby whom he married May 28, 2000. His four sons, David (Barb) in Negaunee, Mich., Gregory in Spokane, Wesley (Brenda) in Billings, Mont., and Jon (Sandi) in Mead, Wash, daughter, Kristen (Christopher) McCaskey in Kasson, Minn. Step-daughter, Cindi (Paul) Bunten in Novato, Calif., step-son Brian (Kathleen) Abraham in Mesa, Ariz. Eighteen grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. Also, sister-in-law Joyce (Bob) Shafer of Pulaski and mother-in-law Elinor Robison of New Castle. He was preceded in death by his late wife Barbara Johnson Abraham of LaCrosse.

Visitation will be Wednesday from 4:00-7:00pm at Smith's Funeral Home, 3126 Main St., West Middlesex, PA and from 10:00 a.m. until the service at 11:00am on Thursday at the funeral home. Rev. Robert McFarland of Chestnut Ridge Church of God will officiate.

In lieu of flowers contributions can be made to Austintown American Legion Post 301, 3652 Oakwood Ave. Austintown, OH 44515 or MSVC-MOAA c/o Walt Duzzny, Treasurer 66 Parkgate Ave. Youngstown, OH 44515.