



Donald Lester Bradley

May 16, 1929 - June 22, 2016

DONALD L. BRADLEY

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Donald Bradley, 87, was born to Joy and Willa (Hall) Bradley in Upland, CA. He passed away Wednesday in Turlock.

Don graduated from Chaffey High School in Ontario, CA, in 1947 and later became a truck driver for Sunkist Oranges in Alta Loma. He worked as a cattle ranch manager for S & A Ranch in Denair for 31 years until his retirement.

He loved fishing and camping. Favorite places were Lake McSwain, Seacliff Beach, Pinecrest Lake, and Lake Tahoe. In retirement he and Betty spent most of their time enjoying their camp trailer. They were at Seacliff Beach often and enjoyed meeting many friends there.

Don was also creative; he could make and repair anything. He loved making puzzles and watching kids, always trying to figure them out. At one time he was also a chef and loved to cook and create new meals. He enjoyed being Santa Claus for the Denair Fire Dept.

He's survived by daughters Susan Quigley-Pettigrew, Carol (Gerald) Wenstrand, and Donna (Jim) Beserra; grandchildren Greg Quigley, Leisa (Larry) Collins, Craig Dooley, Jeff Quigley, Matt (Carol) Wenstrand, and Kristi (Mike) Hughes; and great-grandchildren Brooke and Brandon Quigley, Tanner and Carter Collins, Jake, Ava, and Reagan Hughes, and Ian and Mark Wenstrand.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 56 years, Betty, in 2005 and son-in-law Jerry Pettigrew in 2016.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. on Wed., June 29, at Turlock Funeral Home, 425 N. Soderquist Rd. A funeral service will be conducted at the same location at 10 a.m. on Thurs., June 30, at the same location. Private interment will take place at Turlock Memorial Park.

Memorials may be made to Denair Fire Dept., 3918 N. Gratton Rd., Denair, CA 95316 or Denair Lions Club, P.O. Box 32, Denair, CA 95316.

Cemetery Details

Turlock Memorial Park

575 N. Soderquist Rd.
Turlock, CA 95380
(209) 632-9111
<http://turlockmemorialpark.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 29. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

Turlock Funeral Home
425 North Soderquist Road
Turlock, CA 95381
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Service

JUN 30. 10:00 AM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Donald Lester Bradley*

January 28, 2023 at 09:01 AM



“ *We miss you Donald, daily. You never gave up and fought daily to get stronger and healthier. It was an honor/privelege to be your therapist. I miss talking to you and joking with you. I hope you're girls are well - miss them too!! xox*

Jill - August 12, 2016 at 06:33 PM



“ *I am so very glad for the opportunity to get to know Donald over the last year or so. As his nurse I saw him in the twilight of his life, as his body began to fail him and he had to come to terms with things he could not change. The thing about Don was that his weakness never diminished his strength. Strength of character and courage and kindness and just plain manliness. They don't make men like him anymore. Not much anyway. He made a picture book for my grandson who has cerebral palsy so he could practice his words. He was glad to be able to do it. I just fell in love with the guy. And his wonderful family. Thank you for sharing your father with us. We are richer for it.*

Jacquelyn Bridges - June 29, 2016 at 08:07 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald Lester Bradley .*



June 29, 2016 at 04:46 PM