



Donald Reese Fisher

August 25, 2008

Mr. Donald Reese Fisher, age 89, of High Point, Missouri, passed away Monday, August 25, 2008, at the Good Shepherd Care Center in Versailles. He was born July 11, 1919, in Robinson, Pennsylvania, the son of the late Chester R. and Ella M. Brendlinger Fisher.

He was married to the love of his life on July 1, 1967, in Las Vegas, Nevada, to Margaret Wells, who preceded him in death on March 19, 1987.

A World War II veteran, Don served in the U.S. Navy on the USS Amsterdam as Fireman First Class from May 1944 to November 1945. Four of the Fisher brothers served in the Armed Forces in WWII and one brother served in the Korean Conflict.

After the war, he was employed by Ford Motor Company in Akron, Ohio, as a Maintenance Foreman until he relocated to the State of California in 1964. He worked for Litton Data Systems in maintenance until 1972. Looking for a slower pace of life, he and his family moved to Missouri. He was employed by Diversified Plastics, in Nixa, Missouri, as a Maintenance Supervisor. He retired from Dayco in Springfield, Missouri, as a Maintenance Foreman in 1984. After retirement, he liked to spend his time woodworking in his shop.

Don was a charter member of the VFW Post 9310 in Robinson, Pennsylvania,

for 61 years, and was a master mason of the Adoniram-Joppa Lodge #517 of Akron, Ohio.

He is survived by his children, Gerrie Guy and husband Frank of Ravenna, Ohio, Janet Johnston of Kent, Ohio, Stephanie Baysinger and husband Jerry R. of High Point, Missouri, Cathy Tyra and husband Jerry of Centennial, Colorado, Garnet Walsh of Goldsboro, North Carolina, John C. "Jack" Fisher and wife Karen of Westerville, Ohio, Sandy Eddy of Middlefield, Ohio, and Donna K. Lofthus and husband Mark of Colorado Springs, Colorado; many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren; one sister, Marie Blythe of Akron, Ohio; and one brother, Robert Fisher and wife Jean of Bolivar, Pennsylvania. In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by three brothers, George "Bill" William Fisher, Lisle "Beanie" Phinessey Fisher, and Chester R. Fisher, Jr.

Any man can be a father; it takes a special man to be a Dad.

Don requested to be cremated. A private family service will be held at Maple Lawn Cemetery in Buffalo, Missouri, at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to the American Cancer Society. Expressions of sympathy may be left online at www.kidwellgarber.com. Arrangements are under the direction of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home of Versailles.