



Donald Bledsoe

February 14, 1932 - November 22, 2013

Donald (Don) Bledsoe died Nov. 22, 2013 in Auburn. He was born in Rapid City, South Dakota on Feb. 14, 1932 to Odetta and Thomas Bledsoe. He married Rebecca Garcia on March 7, 1953 in Los Angeles. He enlisted in the US Navy in Feb. 1951 in San Diego. He retired as Chief Warrant Officer, CWO-3, Master Chief Storekeeper in July 1975 at Mare Island In Vallejo.

Mr. Bledsoe is survived by Michelle Beauchamp (daughter), her husband Paul Beauchamp (Garden Valley, CA), and Michelle's children Rebecca Swain (Garden Valley, CA), Mark Swain (Auburn, CA). Leslie Burns (daughter), her partner Adrienne LaFort (Napa, CA), and Leslie's children Piero Burns (San Jose, CA), Pablo Burns (Lincoln, NE), Siera Burns (Napa, CA), Alaina Burns (Napa, CA). Dean Bledsoe (son), his wife Lori Hunt (Napa, CA) and their son Hunter Bledsoe (Napa, CA). He was preceded in death by Rebecca Bledsoe (wife), Grace L. Swain (granddaughter) and Robert Bledsoe (twin brother).

A graveside service will be held on Tues. Dec. 3, 2013 at 2:00pm at Tulocay Cemetery. Memorial donations can be made to your local hospice.

Cemetery Details

Tulocay Cemetery

411 Coombsville Rd
Napa, CA 94558

Previous Events

Graveside Service

DEC 3. 2:00 PM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Donald Bledsoe*

September 29, 2022 at 04:54 PM



“ *Donald Bledsoe*

September 29, 2022 at 02:55 PM



“ *My condolences to the family of Don Bledsoe. Don and I were co workers at a company called Eldyne from 1990 to 1995. We had similar backgrounds as I am also a retired Master Chief Storekeeper. We did not serve together in the navy but we had similar duty stations and experiences during our careers in the Navy. Don and I hit it off immediately upon working together at Eldyne for the U.S. Navy at Mare Island shipyard. Don was like a big brother to me and we shared sea stories together. Don always had a funny story or a joke to tell me to help us get through the day. To this day I still have some navy publications that were given to me by Don to assist me in my job at Trandes Corporation. I last saw Don in the late 90's after we both lost our jobs at Eldyne because of the closure of Mare Island. To me Don was the example of how succesful a person could be in the navy wherein he went from seaman to officer before retiring. I am sincerely sorry to hear of his passing.*

Allen Cole, SKCM (SS), USN Ret.

Allen Cole - December 03, 2013 at 10:36 AM