



Douglas Gene Umfleet

September 20, 1934 - April 27, 2020

Douglas Gene Umfleet was born to Leslie Umfleet, Sr. and Christine Loutzer, in Canton, Kansas on September 20th, 1934 and passed away at Arbor Oaks Terrace in Newberg, Oregon on April 27th, 2020.

Doug moved with his family to Oregon in 1946 and he graduated from Newberg High School in 1953. He was an outstanding athlete, active in social and service clubs, and was Student Body Vice President. An all-around varsity athlete standing 5 feet and 4 inches tall, "Little' Doug Umfleet," as he was known, lettered multiple years in baseball and football, but his specialty was wrestling. He lettered all four years and went to state three times, taking home one third-place and two first-place state championship medals in the 106 pound class.

Following graduation, Doug went into the Navy. He chose a career as a Yeoman and his first station was in Japan. Next he was stationed with the CINCPAC Fleet in Pearl Harbor. While attending a Christmas Eve candle light service with friends in Honolulu, Doug met a lovely nursing school graduate from Alberta, Canada, Frances Church. A year later they were engaged after the same candlelight service. They married the following March, were stationed in Astoria, Oregon, and their adventuresome life began!

Doug's time in the Navy would see them stationed all over the world and welcome four children. Eldest son, Wayne Douglas, and daughter, Linda Lee, were born in Whidbey Island, Washington. Son, James Nile, arrived during their time in Cairo, Egypt, and youngest daughter, Dawn Maili, was born after they were stationed once again in Hawaii. Later the family would move to the final station in Port Hueneme, California. In 1974 Doug and Fran moved back to

Oregon where they built a home and continued raising their family. In 1975, Doug retired from the Navy after more than 21 years of service and went to work for Tektronix/Merix. After 20 years there, he retired again in 1997. While at Techtronix/Merix, Doug attended classes at Marylhurst College in Portland, and graduated in 1984 with a Bachelor of Science degree.

In his leisure time, Doug was an avid golfer and belonged to a league where he built many lasting friendships. A special joy for him was golf outings with his sons and son-in-law who love the game almost as much as he did. Doug also enjoyed the various card games that would spring up at almost every family gathering and had a reputation for being hard to beat!

Doug relished being with his family and adored his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren who all adored him right back. Fun, funny, and generous, "Pepaw" as first grandson, Jacob Darling, dubbed him, was always ready to play.

The family went on many camping trips around Oregon and vacations to visit Fran's family in Alberta. After retirement, Doug and Fran enjoyed travelling and went on several cruises and trips back to Honolulu.

In January of 2019, Doug went to live at Arbor Oaks Terrace memory care where he carried on his reputation for being fun-loving and champion of all the games! He was proud to lead the Pledge of Allegiance and have his picture on the wall among the other honored service members. In the time that he lived there, Doug made many friends and captured the hearts of the staff and his caregivers.

Doug is preceded in death by his brother Leslie "Bud" Umfleet, Jr. and sister, Margie London. He is survived by his wife, Frances; son Wayne and his wife, Betsy; daughter Linda Glibert; son James and his wife, Angeleen; and daughter, Dawn Darling and her husband, Jeff. Grandchildren include Jacob Darling, his wife, Jasymine, and great-grandchildren Tristan and Trevin; Alyssa Durr and her husband Gunnar; Connor Umfleet, Austin Darling, Alex Gilbert, Anna Umfleet, Noah Darling, and Grace Umfleet. He is also survived by his sister Leona Mae Romily.

There will be a private committal on Tuesday May 5th at 2:30 p.m. at Valley View Memorial Gardens. Arrangements by Attrell's Funeral Chapels.

Cemetery

Valley View Memorial Park

24235 NE Dayton Avenue

Newberg, OR, 97132

Comments



“ So glad that my grandsons played soccer with Doug and Francis’s grandson so that I got to know them. My brother, Mickey, and Doug were high school friends and I remembered him from his wrestling fame. Good memories of Doug and Francis at Mickey’s 80th birthday party. I suspect they are having a good reunion now.

Judy Schwinkendorf Gregoire

Judy Schwinkendorf Gregoire - May 08, 2020 at 11:16 AM



“ I will always remember that great smile! Doug was certainly a wonderful person. I know he's in the perfect place, (With Great Golf) Tim & Rhonda Eide

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