



Donald Duane Pust was born to Arthur and Muriel (Dickey) Pust on March 4, 1940. He was from a rather large family having four brothers and three sisters. In the earlier years of Don's life, the family lived on a small farm near Enid, MT. At the age of two, the family moved to Sidney where they lived near Quilling's Store and Park. One of Don's favorite past times was to go ice skating with family and friends, which he did from childhood until his 71st birthday. Birthday and holidays were always spent with family friends ending with a good rousing game of Rook.

In Don's earlier years, he had difficulties with asthma. Many times he ended up in the hospital where his parents were told that he wouldn't make it. God had different plans. His mother had a strong faith in the Lord. At the age of 16 he and his mother went to an evangelistic meeting at the Sidney Assembly of God Church. During the meeting, the Lord healed Don of asthma and his mother received hearing back in one ear. Don had a strong faith in the Lord, which he carried throughout his life and instilled that faith in his family.

After high school, Don attended Northwest Bible College in Minneapolis, Minnesota for a year. He returned home from college after his father's death. Don eventually left Sidney to go to work in Rapid City, South Dakota and then went on to Whittier, California. He returned home again and began working at the MDU Power Company. Don worked first at the power plant then at the Sidney Office.

In May of 1971, he met the love of his life, Darlene Gloria Wuest. They were married on November 19, 1971, in Sidney, MT. They had four beautiful children which he adored. Don was very proud of them and bragged about them all the time.

Don had a zest for life and it showed through everything that he did. Always wanting to own a place of his own, he purchased a small homestead SW of Sidney in November 1969, where his family still resides.

In 1979, Don left MDU and started his entrepreneurship of being a property owner and his own boss. Over the years, he had many opportunities to witness to his renters about how important it was to have Jesus in their life and always invited them to church.

There was nothing that Don couldn't fix and if there wasn't a part to be found, he'd make one. His friend Paul said he had that special touch to repair anything. Don had a lot of patience with people and a giving heart trying to help out those who had a need. He often gave others beds and furniture or what he had to make their life a little easier.

After a yearlong battle with cancer, he passed away into the loving arms of his Lord Jesus, Monday, January 16, 2012, surrounded by his loving family.

Don is survived by: his wife, Darlene, of 40 years; four children, daughters, Darla Pust, Kalispell, MT, DeAnn (Larry) Watson, Billings, MT, DaNell Pust, Saco, MT, a son, Donny (Jenny) Pust, Sidney, MT; brothers, Raymond (Beverly) Pust, Whittier, CA, Gale (Ruth) Pust, Sidney, MT, Carl Pust, Whittier, CA, Harvey (Debbie) Pust, Camos, WA; sisters, Carolyn (Helmut) Wolff, Sidney, MT, Shirley Huber, Lodi, CA, Sylvia (Charles) Teske, Allen, TX; three grandchildren, Kendahl Miller, Fairview, MT, Erin and Morgan Watson, Billings, MT; and two grandbabies soon to arrive that Don wanted to see; and many nieces and nephews.

Don was preceded in death by his parents and a special brother-in-law, Victor Huber, Lodi, CA.

In Loving Memory Of



Don Pust
1940 - 2012

Donald "Don" Pust

Born

March 4, 1940

Sidney, Montana

Died

January 16, 2012

Sidney, Montana

Funeral Services

10:00 A.M., Friday, January 20, 2012

Assembly of God Church

Sidney, Montana

Officiating

Pastor Les Anderson

Music

Erin Watson Jonathan Pust

Heidi Pust Gilda Buxbaum

Casketbearers

Donny Pust Jonathan Pust

Kendall Miller Mark Pust

Larry Watson Rod Bell

Ron Bouchard Tim Pust

Honorary Casketbearers

All of Don's coffee friends

Ushers

Bob Meehan Steve Smart

Interment

Sidney Cemetery

Sidney, Montana

**Lunch will be served in the church fellowship
hall following the services**

*You may share your remembrances and condolences with
the family at the Fulkerson Funeral Home website*

www.fulkersons.com

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God has laid you see.
I took His hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way
I found that peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void
Then fill it with remembered joys.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
O yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow
My life's been full, I savored much
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief,
Lift up your hearts and peace to thee-
God wanted me now: He set me free...

Author Unknown