

Don Wollenzien

In Loving Memory



Born:
November 20, 1934 Waukesha, Wisconsin

Passed Away:
December 4, 2017 Aurora, Colorado

Memorial Service
Saturday, January 13, 2018 at 10 A.M.
Wheat Ridge Presbyterian Church
9180 West 38th Avenue
Wheat Ridge, Colorado 80033

Don Wollenzien passed away peacefully December 4, 2017, at St. Andrews Village in Aurora Colorado.

Don was born November 20, 1934, to Martin and Jessie Wollenzien and was the youngest of 3 children. He grew up in Waukesha, Wisconsin.

After graduating high school, he joined the Army and served in the Korean War. He was honorably discharged from the Army and went to Billings, Montana to be a groomsman in a wedding for one of his Army buddies. It was at this wedding he met the love of his life, Marie, and they married in June of 1961. They moved to Denver and in 1969 had their son, Jay.

Don had a passion for aircraft which he made into his career. He worked for Frontier Airlines for 25 years, then for a couple of smaller airlines and then worked for Continental Airlines for 10 years. It was at this point he decided to become a private contractor where he verified airplane records until he retired.

Beyond his working life, Don was always willing to help wherever needed. He was a very active member of Wheatridge Presbyterian Church where he was the church treasurer for many years. He was also treasurer of the Denver Presbytery for seven years as well. Don and Marie served on the Montview Boulevard catering crew, serving meals to the homeless and less fortunate with the profits from the catered meals. Outside of the church, he volunteered time with Seniors, Inc. to help seniors get their finances in order and was honored in 2014 by the Masonic Lodge for serving with them for 50 years.

Don is survived by his son Jay Wollenzien; daughter and grandson-in-law Sarah Wollenzien and Gavin Burgess; niece Lori Colantuoni, nephew Gary Wollenzien; nieces and nephews John and Wanda Capelle, Alan and Sue Capelle, Eileen and Emily Capelle; and several great-nieces and nephews. His parents Martin and Jessie Wollenzien, sister Jane Capelle and brother Howard Wollenzien preceded him in death.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donations in Don's name to Wheatridge Presbyterian STEP fund and the local Ronald McDonald House.