



Donald C. "Don" Dinnella

December 10, 1934 - March 25, 2008

Donald C. "Don" Dinnella, of DeSoto, Missouri, was born December 10, 1934, in Chicago, Illinois, to Charles and Florence (nee Breen) Dinnella, and entered into rest, Tuesday, March 25, 2008, at Baisch Nursing Home, in DeSoto, Missouri, at the age of 73 years, 3 months and 15 days.

He is preceded in death by parents, his beloved wife of 40 years, Ruth Mary (nee Scheibel) Dinnella, (Married November 17, 1956, in Hollywood, California), two (2) sons, Mark Dinnella and Neal Dinnella, one (1) grandson, Shane Cole Dinnella, one (1) sister, Eleanor Murphy, one (1) brother-in-law, Karl Murphy and one (1) sister-in-law, Delores Dinnella.

He is survived by three (3) children, Dawn Hoekstra, of DeSoto, Missouri, Ward (Dorothy) Dinnella, of Dittmer, Missouri, and Lori (Rick) Dycus, of Hillsboro, Missouri, two (2) grandchildren, Maggie Hoekstra and Jason (Kristine) Dycus, one (1) brother, Charlie Dinnella, Jr., of St. Peters, Missouri, and many other relatives and friends.

Don served in the Army National Guard from 1950-1953, and the U.S. Marine Corp from 1953-1960, He S CO. 2nd Batt. 5th Marine 1st Division, where he received a National Defense Service Medal, Korean Service Medal, U.N. Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal and Sharpshooter Medal. He worked as a pattern maker for McDonnell Douglas before and after his time in the military and taught vocational wood shop at St. Joseph and St. Mary's Special School. He was active in the Boy Scouts of America from 1967-1977 and received the prestigious Vigil Honor Order of the Arrow. Don was the Director

of Camp Sunnyhill, in Dittmer, Missouri for 17 years. He was a very talented and an artistic craftsmen in any medium he chose. Don will be dearly missed by all who knew him.

Memorial Mass Saturday, March 29, 2008 at 1 p.m. at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, 504 3rd Street, DeSoto, MO 63020. Inurnment Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens. Contributions to the American Cancer Society, 4207 Lindell, St. Louis, MO 63108. Arrangements by Chapel Hill Mortuary.

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“ Donald C. "Don" Dinnella

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“ So sorry. We will miss him forever.
Love to all.

Sandy and Jerry Brummer - April 25, 2008 at 12:00 AM