



Donald Dwight Powell

July 29, 1924 - December 24, 2021

BLISSFIELD – Donald Dwight Powell, age 97 of Blissfield, passed away on Friday, December 24, 2021, peacefully at Lenawee Medical Care.

Born on July 29, 1924, in Jasper, Michigan to Samuel Dwight and Gertrude M. (Woodruff) Powell. Don graduated from Sand Creek High School with the Class of 1942.

Don enlisted in the United States Navy in 1943 and served as a diesel mechanic during World War II, stationed in the Pacific until his discharge in 1946. During his time in the Navy, Don earned 5 Battle Stars.

Upon returning home from service, Don married Helen A. Wilson on June 11, 1946, in Bowling Green, Ohio; and they were blessed with over 71 years together before her death on January 9, 2018.

Don and Helen were charter members of the Ogden Community Bible Church. He worked for General Telephone of Adrian for several years before being transferred to Texas, where he retired from in 1981. While living in Texas, Don and Helen served with the Texas Baptist Builders, assisting in the construction of 19 churches. Due to health reasons, Don and Helen returned to Michigan to be closer to family.

Don is survived by his son, Dennis (Gloria) Powell of Tecumseh, grandsons, Ryan (Linda) Powell and Eric Powell of Adrian; great-grandchildren, Anias, Myles, Harmony and Kayla; and several step great-grandchildren. In addition to his wife, Helen, he was preceded in death by his brother, Ralph and sister, Joyce.

A Celebration of Life will take place on Wednesday, January 5, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. at Wagley Funeral Home, Tagsold Chapel, Blissfield with Pastor Gene Reitz officiating. Burial will follow at Pleasant View Cemetery, where military honors will be conducted by American Legion Post #325. Visitation will take place from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., prior to the Celebration.

The Powell family wishes to express their gratitude and appreciation to Lenawee Medical Care Facility and Hospice of Lenawee for their loving care and compassion shown to Don over the past few years. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Lenawee. Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Pleasant View Cemetery

9175 E. US 223
Blissfield, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 5. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home Tagsold Chapel (Blissfield)
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Tribute Wall



“ *Donald Dwight Powell*

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“ *Don was a very nice man, I worked for REA and Don was on the board of directors, I respected him very much.*

Art Barnhart - December 30, 2021 at 07:43 PM



“ *Don was one of the first people who greeted us when we walked into Ogden Community Bible Church for the first time 60 years ago. We knew that day that we were going to become part of the church. He and Helen were hard working Christians and we were blessed to serve with them at the church until they moved to Texas. We are sure that you and Helen are rejoicing together in Heaven.*
Scott & Connie Morris

Scott & Connie Morris - December 29, 2021 at 02:17 PM

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“ *The Powell family had some musical talent. Sister Joyce played the piano; Don played the alto sax; brother Ralph sometimes would play the accordion. Don, Joyce, Guy Miller and Floyd Lowe were old time musicians who frequently played for the Gorman Grange dances. After retirement when Don & Helen came back to Blissfield in the summer, Don would come to the senior citizens center in Adrian to play his sax with the Kitchen Band. This group would entertain at the nursing homes, the County Fair and special events. Don's niece, Gail, eventually organized a chimes group to which Don would occasionally drop in to play his sax. Don was always busy helping others once they returned to live in Blissfield. Sometimes Don was asked to play the sax at the Sunday morning Church worship. As Don & Helen often stayed Saturday night in their fifth wheel trailer at the farm, we could hear Don practice the hymns he was to play on the sax that Sunday morning. Amazing Grace was his favorite... or the one he knew best. We sure miss Don & Helen being next door. Mike & Rose Powell*

Michael Powell - December 29, 2021 at 10:51 AM

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“ *We were very sorry to hear about Uncle Don. He has had a rough go of it for several years and I'm sure Aunt Helen is glad to have him next to her again. I'm sorry to not be able to be at his funeral but we are in Arizona for the winter. My condolences, Denny and family. Karen Kishpaugh*

karen kishpaugh - December 28, 2021 at 01:10 PM