



Donald Cameron

February 25, 1918 - December 27, 2009

Obituary of Donald Cameron Ocala - Mr. Donald Edward Cameron, 91, of Ocala, Florida and formerly a resident of Miami Springs, FL and Dunnellon, FL passed away peacefully on December 27, 2009 at Ocala's Legacy Hospice House. Born on February 25, 1918, in Falconer New York, he was the son of Benjamin Franklin Cameron and C. Burdeena Cameron. He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Robert Charles Cameron and his grandson Scott Andrew Dossey. In 1924, at the age of 6, Don and his family moved to Miami, Florida. He was a musician and his love for music began early in life. He mastered the guitar, drums, ukulele, keyboard and saw. When Don attended Edison High School, he was a member of the Edison High School marching band. He also played in local bands around the Miami area and played for many dances at the Swedish American Club. After high school he returned to New York and worked as a welder in preparation for the Worlds Fair. There he also played in local New York bands where in 1939 he met beautiful Virginia in Jamestown, NY. He and his bride were married in 1940 and have enjoyed 69 wonderful years of marriage. In 1943, Don and his bride, moved back to the Miami area to a little town called Miami Springs. Pan American World Airways hired him in 1946 where he began his work as a Refrigeration Engineer. The 1960's was a busy decade working for Pan Am. He traveled to several Spanish speaking countries, thereby learning to speak fluent Spanish. His presentation skills were honed by being an active member/officer of Toastmasters organization. He was also a member/officer of

the Refrigeration Services Engineering Society (RSES) and was instrumental in spearheading the laws of making sure doors are removed from refrigerators when they are discarded. During 1977, after 31 years of service, he retired from Pan Am and began another career starting his own Air Conditioning business. Five years later he went to work for the maintenance division of the Broward County School System in FT Lauderdale, FL. Through Don's maintenance position in the school system, he was able to transfer to Marion and Citrus county school systems very early in the 1980s and became a Vocational Teacher at Withlacoochee Vocational Technical School. His students appreciated his personalized approach to teaching the vocation of Air Conditioning. For over 28 years he and his wife, Virginia, were residents of Rainbow Lakes Estates in Dunnellon. They are active members, and he sang in the choir of both, Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church of Citrus Springs and (charter members of) Grace Lutheran Church in Miami Springs. Don became an avid horseshoe player "pitching shoes" at many local horseshoe tournaments. For a "hobby" he collected aluminum cans-thousands each month - he did well enough to be considered a small recycling business. His passions were joke telling, a fan of the Braves and Cubs baseball teams, puzzle books, Dairy Queen and recycling all kinds of metals; but most importantly being with his wife Virginia. His philosophy for life was "Live and let Live." He was a thoughtful, honest man who never knew a stranger and could fix anything. Don Cameron will continue to live in the hearts of his wife, Virginia, daughter Barbara Eileen Dossey and husband Charles "Buddy" Dossey, and daughter, Marilyn Jean Cameron. 4 grandsons, (John Thomas Colbert, Timothy Cameron Colbert, Marc Alan Dossey, and John Edward Werner), 3 granddaughter-in-laws (Lisa Catherine Colbert, Kiersten Anne Dossey and Jenny Boughen Colbert), and 8 great-grandchildren (Cameron Nicole Colbert, Kyah Hunter Dossey, Chase Justin Colbert, Kelsey Lynn Colbert, Tyler William Colbert, Caitlyn Blair Dossey, Hannah Leighan Livers, and Christopher Glenn Livers). Arrangements for the "Celebration of The Life of Donald Cameron" will be held at 10:30 AM on Thursday, December 31,

2009 at Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church, 9425 N. Citrus Springs Blvd, Citrus Springs, FL. Pastor Lynn Fonfara will preside over the Memorial Service. In lieu of flowers donations should be made in memory of Donald Edward Cameron to Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church in Citrus Springs, FL.

Tribute Wall



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June 20, 2014 at 12:00 AM