



Donald Benninghoven

July 29, 1939 - February 2, 2013

Donald Fritz Benninghoven, 73, a resident of Monroe for 53 years, passed away on Feb. 2, 2013, at Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center in Corvallis.

He was born to Fritz Benninghoven and Mary Glanville Benninghoven on July 29, 1939, in Strong City, Kan. While growing up in Kansas, Don dearly loved living life on the prairie, and worked at several different farms/ranches in the Chase County, Kan., area. He graduated from Chase County Community High School in 1957.

Don later served as a medic in the U.S. Army at White Sands Missile Base in New Mexico, and attended Kansas State University for two years. Don lived near Cottonwood Falls, Kan., until the spring of 1960, when his whole family came to Oregon and settled in Monroe.

He immediately started working for Crocker Farms in Monroe, and proceeded to have several mill jobs until ultimately settling in at James River, a paper mill in Halsey, where he worked for more than 30 years, and from which he retired in 2000 as a head adjuster. Don married Pamela Ann Snyder in August 1966 in Woodburn.

Don was an outdoor enthusiast and enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping and birdwatching. He was a proud family man and lately really enjoyed attending his grandchildren's sporting events.

Don is survived by his son, Jeffrey Benninghoven of Albany; daughter, Heidi Sutton of Monroe; sister, Florence Fulgham of Ackerman, Miss.; brother, John

Benninghoven of Monroe; four grandchildren, Colton, Ashley, Cole and Brooke; and a host of friends. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Pamela Ann Snyder.

A memorial service will take place at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 9, at Bellfountain Community Church.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation or the American Heart Association.