



## Donald C. Page Jr.

January 3, 1947 - February 13, 2018

Donald C. Page J.R. of East Wenatchee, Washington and formerly of Westhope and Walhalla, ND; Moses Lake and Yakima, Washington, died in his home on February 13, 2018 due to complications from liver cancer. He was 71 years old.

Don was born on January 3, 1947 in Westhope, ND the son of Donald C. Page and Joyce (Collier) Page. He graduated from high school in Westhope, ND in 1965, and went on to earn a Bachelor of Science Degree in Biology from the University of North Dakota in 1969. Don married Lila Forde, of Landa, ND on June 14, 1968. They initially settled in Walhalla, ND and began raising their family. Don began his professional career with the Northland Chemical Company, and eventually transitioned to a career with the J.R. Simplot Company in 1974 (Simplot Soilbuilders and Simplot Grower Solutions). He held a variety of operational, procurement and safety/regulatory roles within the organization (Walhalla, ND; Moses Lake, Yakima and Moxee, WA), and retired from the J.R. Simplot Company in October 2004. Upon retirement, Don and Lila selected East Wenatchee, WA as a place to retire and begin the next chapter of their journey.

Don enjoyed traveling with his wife and their friends, and attending biennial family reunions around the country. He spent many hours (and traveled many miles) attending his grandchildren's sporting events, dance competitions and educational celebrations. Don was an active member of Holy Apostles Catholic Church, and he enjoyed his current membership (and past board of

director position) with the Applarians.

Don is survived by his wife, Lila; his son, Darron (Tobie) Page; his daughters, Mary Kay Weber and Michelle (Aaron) Schonewald; his grandchildren, Britnee Page, Kylee (Andrew) Quijas, Addison Weber, Hannah Larson and Gerrit Larson; and his sister, Carol Ellingson. He is preceded in death by his parents, Don and Joyce; and his granddaughter, Savannah.

A viewing will be held between 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 19, 2018 at Jones & Jones-Betts Funeral Home in Wenatchee, Washington. A rosary service will also be held that evening at 6:00 p.m. in the funeral home's chapel. A memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 20, 2018 at Holy Apostles Catholic Church in East Wenatchee, WA. All are welcome to come and celebrate Don's life. In lieu of flowers and memorials, please donate to the charity or organization of your choice in Don's name.

# Tribute Wall

SG

“ *Such a Gift to have met Don and Lila through Applarians. I understood Don to be a gentle, unassuming, heartfelt man. I always looked for his and Lila’s smile for they lit the room. Needless to say I wish more men were like Don. My heart and prayers go out to his family as they live their todays and tomorrows with his Spirit in another form. I’m sure you are all still loved fiercely by your/our Don. Thank you for sharing him.* ❤️🙏



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Sandy Gellatly - February 18, 2018 at 02:45 PM

JA

“ You couldn't ask for a better neighbor. Always a smile on his face, always upbeat and always willing to lend a helping hand when needed. Not just for us, but pretty much anyone in the neighborhood.

We loved our game playing evenings. A lot of that took place. Don was willing to try new games or just "marathon" some of our old ones. He enjoyed giving Carol a hard time about always wanting to win. Best part of the evenings was the conversation and the food and drink. Did we ever have a time when we didn't eat?

The best memories are our travels together. Wow, they were fun. We pretty much agreed on everything we should do, except "where should we eat". His ready response was ... "I don't care" or "wherever you want". When we did stay in, Don would make the best burgers. Not only were they delicious, but they were photo worthy. You know, like in a fancy cooking magazine.

Don and Lila supported us through some of our tough times too. Always willing listeners, and so very caring.

What a perfect couple they made. We are truly going to miss Don, but believe us, he will never be forgotten. He's in our hearts forever.

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**Jim Carol Adamson** - February 17, 2018 at 01:43 PM

JA

“ You couldn't ask for a better neighbor. Always a smile, always upbeat and always there and willing to help when needed. We loved playing games with Don and Lila. (as long as Carol won). I think the best part of the game playing evening were the conversations and the food and drink. Did we ever go without? We also will always treasure the great memories we have of our travels together. We envy people who don't have the opportunity to travel with friends like Don and Lila. They made each trip so fantastic. Have to admit though when it came to planning where we were going to eat, it was always, "Wherever you want". Then we would give them a bad time and say ok, next time you decide. Never did!!! But, when we stayed in, Don made the BEST burgers ever. We would even take pictures of them. Even through the tough times with things going on in our lives, Don and Lila were ones we could share with and know they would listen and keep us in their prayers. Truly, great friends. Now, half of that special couple is missing, but will NEVER be forgotten. We love you Don, and will see you again someday.  
Carol and Jim Adamson

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**Jim & Carol Adamson** - February 16, 2018 at 02:58 PM

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“ Marina Garry lit a candle in memory of Donald C. Page Jr.



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**marina garry** - February 16, 2018 at 12:06 AM

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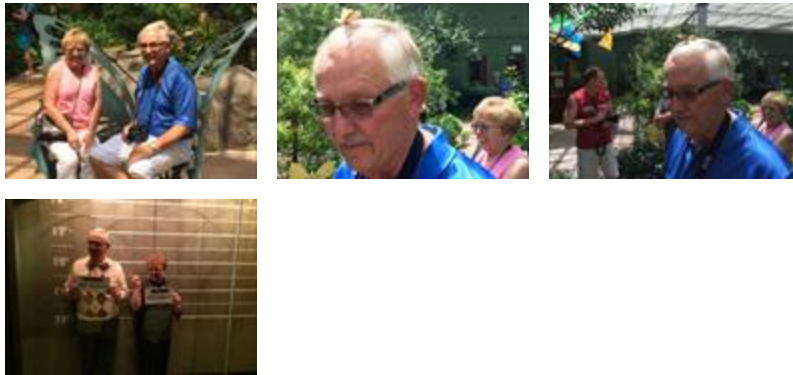
“ Words can not express how sorry I am for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

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**marina garry** - February 16, 2018 at 12:06 AM

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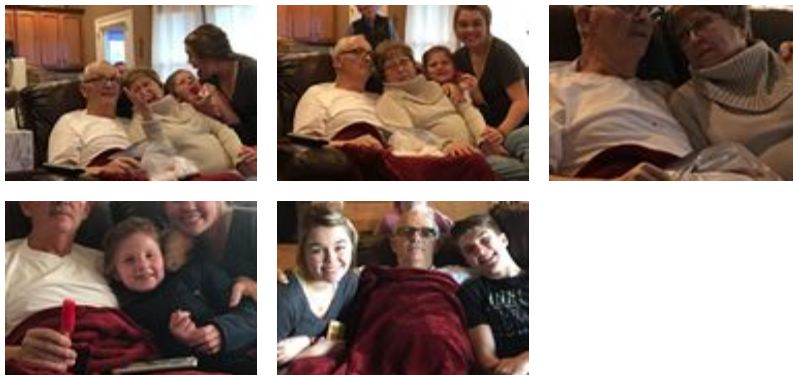
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Brenda Forde - February 15, 2018 at 09:57 PM



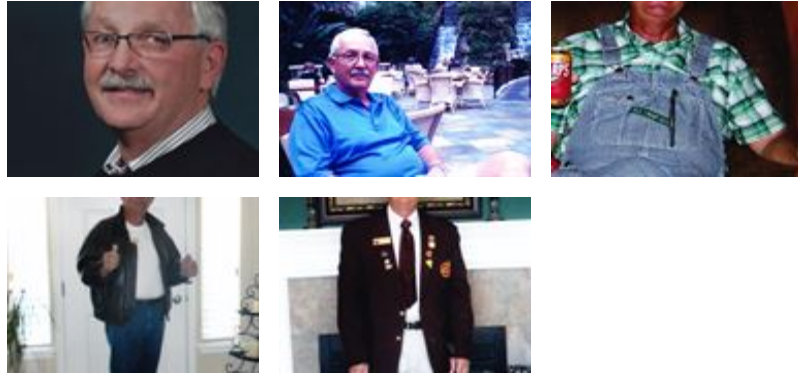
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**Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home** - February 15, 2018 at 05:43 PM



“ We will never forget our friendship we have been so fortunate to share with Don and his family. Our love and prayers are with them all.

**Valerie and Ernie Lang** - February 14, 2018 at 04:14 PM



“ Valerie And Ernie Lang lit a candle in memory of Donald C. Page Jr.



**Valerie and Ernie Lang** - February 14, 2018 at 04:12 PM