



Donald Urban Jass

February 16, 1929 - December 3, 2023

Donald Urban Jass passed away at the age of 94 on December 3, 2023 as a result of a car accident. Predeceased by his loving wife, Bernice I. Jass (2017) after 65 years of marriage. Loving father to David (Susan) Jass of Mount Dora, FL and Carl Jass (Norgard Klages) of Reston, VA. Proud Grandpa to Jeremy, Nathan (Ashley), Stephen, Adam (Adriana) and Matthew (Nina) Jass. Great Grandfather to Ian, River, Gabriel, Cedar, Pheona, Noa, Ada and Ela Jass. Brother of Grace (Bill) Ewald. Predeceased by sister, Arlene (Paul) Phipps.

Don was born in Melrose Park, IL and grew up in Waukegan, IL. After graduating from high school, he attended Valparaiso University. In 1948 he enlisted in the Army and after basic training he served in Trieste, Italy. Returning to the US he attended Officers Candidate School and received advanced training as an engineer. He received his commission as 2nd lieutenant and was assigned to Ladd AF in Fairbanks, AK where he met his wife and was married. Don and Bea adapted well to the demands of Army life which involved frequent moves and a few painful separations (Korea and Vietnam). The family enjoyed travel, camping and adventure on many assignments, including a 3-year tour in France. Don retired from the Army as a Major in 1968 after completing 20 years of service. He was a recipient of a bronze star for his service in Vietnam. The family settled in Clearwater, FL where he worked as an engineer/surveyor and later as a planner for the city of

Clearwater. In 2003 Don and Bea moved to the Plantation at Leesburg, FL to be close to family in their later years.

Don volunteered his time seeing as a church council member and usher along with working with the emergency housing program with Religious Community Services. He enjoyed helping others and could fix almost anything. Above all else he loved his family.

Inurnment will be at Sylvan Abby Memorial Park in Clearwater, FL.

Arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home of Leesburg, Florida.