



Donald "Don" Paul Sokoloski

October 14, 1939 - May 15, 2024

Donald "Don" Paul Sokoloski, age 84 of Wibaux, MT passed away on Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at Glendive Medical Center with his family by his side. A Vigil Service will be held at 7:00 PM on Sunday, May 19, 2024 at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Wibaux. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:00 AM on Monday, May 20, 2024 at St. Peter's Catholic Church with Father Jijo Alapatt. Silha Funeral Home of Wibaux has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Don was born on October 14, 1939 to Frank and Verna (Peplinski) Sokoloski at what was known as the Lee place SE of Wibaux with his aunt, Helen (Sokoloski) Tocher assisting as midwife. The family moved to the "home place" seventeen miles south of Wibaux when he was four years old. Don attended eight years of grade school at the South Center Country School, two miles from his home. He then attended Sacred Heart High School in Miles City, MT graduating with the class of 1957. While attending high school, he stayed at the hospital where he worked for his room and board. Don participated in numerous sports, excelling in football and baseball.

After helping his parents for a short time at the farm, Don was drafted into the Army, spending thirteen months in Korea. Upon receiving his Honorable Discharge, he began working for Farmers Union Oil Company in Beach, ND. During this time, he met the love of his life, Muriel Gasho of Trotters, ND. They were married November 21, 1964 at St. John's Catholic Church in Beach. The following September Mark was born and John followed in 1966. The family

moved to his parent's farm in 1966, where he enjoyed farming and ranching. In 1970, Mathew joined the family. During this time Don served on numerous committees including the School Board, the ASCS Board and the Honor Guard at military funerals.

In 1980, Don went to work for the USDA and in 1984, he became an auditor and classroom trainer for the Federal Crop Insurance Program based out of Great Falls, MT. He retired in 1994 and returned to Wibaux.

Don enjoyed a good game of any kind of cards, especially pinochle, but most important were his religion, family and the "good ole USA". Don was an avid fan of the Green Bay Packers and loved attending his boys' and grandchildren's sporting events.

Don was preceded in death by his parents, Frank (1967) and Verna (2001); two brothers, Floyd (2000) and James (2014) and two sisters, JoAnn (Smith) (2017) and Veronica (1942).

Don is survived by his wife of 59 years, Muriel; three sons, Mark (Lana) of Billings, MT, John (LaNee) of Wibaux and Mathew (Kim) of Glendive; his grandchildren, Kayleigh Straub (Lane), Jaylen (Megan), Marisa, Bryn, Tai, Trey, Anney, Taden and Ashlyn, plus six great grandchildren.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: www.silhafuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Wibaux Cemetery

Wibaux, MT 59353

Previous Events

Vigil Service

MAY 19. 7:00 PM (MT)

St. Peter's Catholic Church
313 1st Avenue Southwest
Wibaux, MT 59353

Mass of Christian Burial

MAY 20. 10:00 AM (MT)

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313 1st Avenue Southwest
Wibaux, MT 59353

Tribute Wall



“ *Our sympathies to you Muriel and family.*

Paul and Pat Thompson - May 18, 2024 at 06:47 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" Paul Sokoloski.*



May 18, 2024 at 01:06 AM



“ *Dear Muriel and your entire family, my sincere condolences. Don was such a wonderful cousin to me, and so entertaining to be around. Don and his brother Jim treated Karen and myself to very fun rides in the hilly roads by the homestead. I just cannot imagine all of the fun your family has had in the past umpteen years having Don as a husband, and father and grandfather. My prayer for you all is that Jesus will comfort you in your sorrow, due to the absence of the physical presence of Don.*

Jeanne Sokoloski - May 17, 2024 at 03:17 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" Paul Sokoloski.*



May 17, 2024 at 10:44 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" Paul Sokoloski.*



May 17, 2024 at 10:10 AM



“ *Linda Gasho, Kathy Lechler, Mona Sult, K purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Donald "Don" Paul Sokoloski.*



Linda Gasho, Kathy Lechler, Mona Sult, K - May 17, 2024 at 08:40 AM



“ *Linda Gasho, Kathy Lechler, Mona Sult, K planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald "Don" Paul Sokoloski.*

Linda Gasho, Kathy Lechler, Mona Sult, K - May 17, 2024 at 08:40 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers to Muriel and the family. I always enjoyed visiting with Don and Muriel when we would come to Montana. He was always fun and interesting to visit with, never a mean or cross word. He was definitely one of the good guys and will be missed by all who knew him.*

Virginia(Kathy) Lechler - May 17, 2024 at 08:31 AM

DM

“ We are saddened to hear about Don- Lana & LaNee are our nieces- they spoke highly of their in laws! You will be in our Prayers in the months ahead!

Duane & Nancy Morast - May 16, 2024 at 06:59 PM

DS

“ Our sympathies to Sokoloski family

Dale & Brenda Schweigert - May 16, 2024 at 02:24 PM

DN

“ Muriel & family, praying for God's comfort for you in the days ahead. Don will be missed by all who knew him.
Diane

Diane Nelson - May 16, 2024 at 01:58 PM

SL

“ Susan Lawrence sent a virtual gift in memory of Donald "Don" Sokoloski



Susan Lawrence - May 16, 2024 at 10:20 AM

BB

“ *Betty Jean, Dale & Hope, Andrea & Brian purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Donald "Don" Paul Sokoloski.*



Betty Jean, Dale & Hope, Andrea & Brian - May 15, 2024 at 11:16 PM

CH

“ *Carol Hanson sent a virtual gift in memory of Donald "Don" Sokoloski*



Carol Hanson - May 15, 2024 at 09:10 PM