



Donald J. Alger

May 21, 1924 - January 3, 2023

Donald Jay Alger, 98, of Greenport, passed away Tuesday January 3, 2023. Born May 21, 1924 in Hudson, NY, he is the son of Jesse Alger and Frieda (Tietsel) Alger.

Don served in the United States Army during World War II achieving the rank of Staff Sergeant, serving in the Battle of the Bulge. He received a purple heart and accommodations for his service. He was a tireless worker having worked for Lonestar Cement Plant, running his own Excavation and Oil Delivery business. Don owned and ran a junk yard, and was a volunteer firefighter for the Town of Greenport. He was the Commander of Greenport VFW and a proud member of the NRA. Don, with his two sons even built his beloved home on Mount Merino Road. He was active in politics and the happenings of Greenport and Hudson, having served on the Hudson City School Board, even becoming the Planning Board Chairman for the Town of Greenport. He delivered the Want Ads into his late 90s. Don was a lover of animals. He loved to play his organ and to flyfish. Don loved to take friends and family on the Hudson River to the island, he even knew how to fly a plane. He was a tireless teacher willing to share his vast knowledge with anyone about anything from how to plant a garden, to learning musical chords on the organ, to teaching gun safety, and to how to safely operate heavy machinery. He always kept himself busy tinkering with his equipment down at his shop. He was loved by all and will be truly missed.

Don leaves to cherish his memory his grandchildren Jason Alger, Jeffery Alger

(Nicole), Kara Alger and Luke Dranginis, and Angela Hallenbeck (Steve), great grandchildren Ariyona, Jeffery Jr., Johnny, Calvin Jr., Donovin, Kaliyona, Kayliann, and Talia, along with brothers Jack Alger and Art Alger (Connie), daughter in law Valerie Alger, and lifelong friend Jerry Moore, along with several nieces and nephew. In addition to his parents, Don was predeceased by his wife Jeanette Alger, sons Donald (Satch) Alger Jr. and Kevin Alger, and siblings Earl, Gerald and Gloria Jean Alger, and Ollie Rappaleye.

Visitation at the Bates & Anderson-Redmond & Keeler Funeral Home will be Wednesday January 11, from 11:00am-1:00pm. Graveside services with Military Honors will be in Cedar Park Cemetery at 1:30 following visitation time.

Previous Events

Visitation Hours

JAN 11. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Graveside Service

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Cedar Park
Hudson, NY

Tribute Wall

PA

“ *Kara, Luke my heart goes out to you guys and the kids!*

Paula - January 06, 2023 at 07:11 PM

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“ *They say that each one of us should take the traits of those we respect and idolize and add them to our own personality. This man who served his Country at a time of War and survived the most unthinkable conditions, returned Home with honor and as a family man. Don shared some of those battle moments with me as a fellow Veteran, and I was always amazed of how a man who saw so much could be so kind and polite. His personality and wit was always a pleasure to witness. I went to school with both of his sons, Don jr. and Kevin and miss them too. Don was very active in his latter years, and I would always run into him at the local Stewart's, delivering the penny saver. I will miss this fine example of a man and can only hope that I can exhibit some of his traits. With respect and honor to a man I admired greatly, who was indeed the real deal. Tim Burch....*



Tim Burch - January 04, 2023 at 10:15 PM

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“ Grandpa you were truly the best and have taught us a lot, were so lucky to have had you for so long but I wish it was longer, you're missed and so loved.



Kara Alger - January 04, 2023 at 09:24 PM