



## Donald M. Stupplebeen

May 10, 1923 - March 27, 2016

Donald Martin Stupplebeen, 92, born May 10, 1923, of Greenport, was called to the Lord Easter morning, March 27, 2016.

The son of the late Martin and Mabel Stupplebeen of Hudson, he attended Hudson High School until his senior year when he left to serve his country in the Navy Air Force during World War II. From 1941 to 1945 he proudly served as an Aviation Machinist Mate 1st Class.

Upon returning home from service, Donald married the love of his life Marcella and began his longstanding career in construction working first with his father, later for Wilkens and Son of Kinderhook, and eventually owning his own business building homes in the area.

Don served his community as a member of the Greenport Pumper #3 as both lieutenant and captain, where he was honored during his time for outstanding service (1982), dedicated service (1995) and became a permanent fixture of the company when they dedicated the Donald Stupplebeen Pavilion in 1997. He was also an active member of the First Reformed Church of Hudson where he served as Deacon and sang in the church choir.

Don was a lifetime fan of the New York Yankees, but his true passion was supporting his grandchildren and great grandchildren in their sports, music, and academic endeavors.

Don is survived by his wife of 67 years, Marcella (Hotaling) who lives in the home he built for them 66 years ago. He is also survived by his son Paul (Donna) Stupplebeen, of Catskill, daughter Cathy (Robert) Lazzara, of

Columbiaville, his grandchildren Jennifer Hicks, Jeffrey Stupplebeen, Thomas Stupplebeen, and Jonathan Lazzara. His great grandchildren Melody and Logan Stupplebeen, Kevin and Karina Hicks, and his nephew David Spulick. Donald was predeceased by his three sisters, Ruth, Katherine, and Irene. Visiting hours will be Wednesday, from 4:00 to 7:00 PM, at Bates and Anderson – Redmond and Keeler Funeral Home, 110 Green Street, Hudson. Funeral services will be held on Thursday at 1:00 PM at the First Reformed Church of Hudson, 52 Green Street. Burial will follow in Kinderhook Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to either Greenport Pumper #3 or to the First Reformed Church of Hudson.

# Cemetery Details

## Kinderhook Cemetery

Albany Avenue  
Kinderhook, NY

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

**MAR 30.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Bates & Anderson - Redmond & Keeler  
110 Green Street  
Hudson, NY 12534  
(518) 828-3371  
<http://batesandersonredmondkeeler.com>

## Funeral Service

**MAR 31.** 1:00 PM (ET)

First Reformed Church of Hudson  
52 Green Street  
Hudson, NY 12534

# Tribute Wall

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“ I'm so sorry to learn of Don's passing. He was always one of my favorites, always a gentleman, always and snappy dresser, and a treat to watch dancing with Marcella at the Hotaling Family reunions. God Bless him on his journey to be with The Lord.

*Nancy Friss*

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**Nancy Friss** - March 31, 2016 at 08:50 PM

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“ Altho' I only knew Don for the last few years at church, I knew him as a loyal, kind and steadfast worker at the First Reformed Church. He will be missed.

*Joan Lezette-Miller*



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**Joan Lezette-Miller** - March 29, 2016 at 11:43 AM