## **OBITUARY**



Donald M. Hendershot, 77, of Independence Twp., NJ, passed away in his home on Saturday, December 1, 2018. Born in Washington, NJ, "Don" was the son of the late Raymond and Eleanor Wilson Parks Hendershot.

Don retired in 1998 from Elizabethtown Gas as a construction supervisor. He honorably served his country in the United States Army from 1961 to 1962.

In 2009 he was inducted in the Hackettstown Hall of Fame. He was very active in his community and was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Hackettstown; Blue Ridge Post No. 164, American Legion, The Hackettstown Moose Lodge, and Independence Twp. Zoning Board, where he served as a Zoning Officer. For over 17 years, Don was in charge of and directed the Hackettstown Memorial Day Parade and was the coach of the Little League football team for over 15 years.

The consummate outdoorsman, Don loved hunting with his family and friends on the family farm in Independence Twp. In his younger days, Don competed in Dirt Modified Racing on the Nazareth and Harmony, NJ, dirt tracks. Don was proud to be a graduate of Hackettstown High School where for years he held the field and track shotput record and played on Hackettstown's undefeated football team.

He is survived by his loving wife, Janette Sylstra Hendershot; two sons, Michael and Robert of Independence Township; one brother, Richard Hendershot of California; his beloved grandson, Ethan, Raymond Hendershot. He was predeceased by his first wife, Barbara Evans in 1983.

A visitation will take place at the Cochran Funeral Home, 905 High St., Hackettstown, NJ, from 4 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 6, 2018. Funeral service will be on Friday at 11 a.m. at the Hackettstown First Presbyterian Church, 298 Main Street, Hackettstown, NJ 07840.

Interment with military honors will follow at the Pequest Cemetery, Great Meadows, NJ. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the American Legion, P.O. Box 332, Hackettstown, NJ, 07840 or the First Presbyterian Church, 298 Main Street, Hackettstown, NJ. Online condolences may be sent to the family at <u>cochranfuneral.com</u>.

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