



## Donald Leroy Morris

October 24, 1922 - June 26, 2014

Donald Leroy Morris, 91, of Grand Island died on June 26, 2014 at Saint Francis Medical Center.

To honor Donald's wishes cremation has taken place. Private family burial will be held at Grand Island City Cemetery.

He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Maxine; son and daughter-in-law, Wayne and Donna Morris of Grand Island; daughters and son-in-laws, Lorene and Denny Lanham of Nora, NE; Connie and Craig Anderson of Lincoln; Renee and Jerry Lilly of Grand Island; daughter and partner, Debra Morris and Sam Miller of Grand Island; grandchildren, Darrin (Jill) Lanham, Becky (Dan) Corman, Cathy (Mike) Crawford, Mackenzie (Jamey) Yonce, Amanda (Brian) Plugge, Josh Anderson, Troy (Julie) Morris, Lena (Robert) Hoard, Christopher Boroff; 14 great grandchildren and a host of extended family and friends.

Donald is preceded in death by his parents; brother, Howard Morris; sister, Imogene Basedow and grandson, Daniel Lee Boroff II.

Donald was born on October 24, 1922 in Grand Island to Walter L. and Sophia C. (Spiehs) Morris.

He attended Jefferson Elementary and Walnut Jr. High School, graduating from Grand Island Senior High School in 1940.

After graduation, he went to Ventura California, where he attended Jr. College and later worked at Bryon-Jackson as a machinist. He entered the U.S. Army in April 1943, and attended paratrooper school at Ft. Benning, GA. He served in the South Pacific with the 161st paratroopers engineering division and was

honorably discharged in December 1945.

On April 19, 1948 he married Maxine Berberniss in Grand Island, this union was blessed with five children.

Following the military he returned to Grand Island where he began employment for the UPRR as a brakeman/conductor for 32 years until his retirement in 1980.

He enjoyed raising and showing fancy fantail and racing pigeons, attending many shows and received many awards, as well as horse racing.

Memorials are suggested to the Wounded Warriors Fund.

# Cemetery Details

## **Grand Island City Cemetery**

Grand Island, NE

# Tribute Wall



“ *Donald Leroy Morris*

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“ *So sorry to hear about Don passing away. I have'nt seen you in ages but will be thinking of your family and all the goodtimes I spent at your house. Will keep you all in my prayers. Lori Berlie djernes*

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