## In Memory of Donald Gordon (1929 - 2016)

Crescentia DeGoede February 16, 2017



Name: Donald Gordon

Spouse: Dolores Hedrich Gordon

Children: Gregory (64), Bruce (62), Debra (60)

Birth Date: December 3, 1929

Blessing Date: August 25, 1995

Ascension Date: November 23, 2016 3:01 AM

Local Church: Bridgeport Family Church

Donald Gordon was born on December 3, 1929, in Buffalo, New York. He was the oldest son of Charles and Thelma Gordon. In 1950, Don married Dolores Hedrich Gordon and their first son, Gregory was born in 1951, followed by Bruce in 1954, and Debra in 1955.

In 1964 he moved his family to Connecticut when he began working for General Dynamics at Electric Boat in Groton. He spent the next 32 years working

at the shipyard helping to build nuclear submarines where he was a highly skilled welder and made many life long friends.

In 1975 Don was introduced to the Divine Principle by his daughter, Debbie. He attended 3, 7, and 21-day workshops in Barrytown, NY at the facility which later became the Unification Theological Seminary. He joined the Church at a time when it was rare for parents to be able to accept True Parents. The whole family attended the original Washington Monument Rally together in 1976. On August 25, 1995, Don and his wife Dolores along with his son Greg and his wife Michiy Kobayashi, and his daughter Debra and her husband John Sand were blessed in the 360,000 couples blessing.

Don was active in his local community as part of the Oakdale Volunteer Fire Department for many years as well as a long time member of the Quaker Hill Rod and Gun Club. He was involved with the Friends of the Eastern Connecticut Symphony where he was Chairman for 15 years of the Citrus Sale Fund Raiser. For the last 25 years, he also regularly donated platelets at the Red Cross in Farmington, CT.

The Seonghwa Ceremony will be held at Carstensen Hall, 174 University Ave, Univ. of Bridgeport in Bridgeport, CT at 1:00 P.M. on February 26, 2017. For more information, you can contact Debbie Sand via e-mail at <a href="mailto:sandkastel@sbcglobal,net">sandkastel@sbcglobal,net</a>.

Any condolences or support for his beloved wife may be sent to Dolores Gordon, 278 Conn. Blvd., Oakdale, CT 06370

## **Seonghwa Ceremony**

Time: 1:00 PM

Date: Sunday, February 26, 2017

Location: Carstensen Hall: 174 University Ave, Univ. of Bridgeport in Bridgeport, CT