



Donald Muldoon

January 29, 1931 - March 27, 2026

Donald Muldoon, 95, of Bradenton, FL, passed away March 27, 2026. He was born January 29, 1931, in Buffalo, New York, to Irene Yeager Muldoon and George Muldoon.

Don attended Brockport State Teachers College before enlisting in military service. He began training as a naval aviator in May 1952 in Pensacola, FL, and after completing flight training in June 1953 transferred to the Marine Corps. He served in the Korean War and was awarded the Korean Service Medal, United Nations Service Medal, and National Defense Service Medal. Don was discharged in January 1956.

Following his service, Don enjoyed a long career as a commercial airline pilot with United Airlines, retiring after 30 years. He formed many lifelong friendships during his years with the airline. Don loved boating and flying small aircraft, and he took great pride in working with his hands—doing home remodeling projects and building a log home in the Adirondack Mountains. He and his wife were members of the Elks and the Moose and were well known in the Mt. Vernon community of Bradenton, FL, where they lived for more than 35 years. Don and Bettye Jo enjoyed attending community functions and dances; they met at a dance in Pensacola while Don was in flight training and were married December 5, 1953.

He is survived by his daughters Melissa Muldoon (Michael Osterhaus) of Kansas and Michele Muldoon Anstatt of Maryland; grandchildren Katherine Stanley of Alaska, Austin Maze of Alaska, Brent Baer (Heather) and Brian Baer (Lisa) (Maryland); and great-grandchildren Madelyn Baer, Brayden Baer and Evan Baer (Maryland). He is also survived by nieces and nephews including Sharon and Ray Carlo (NY) Suzanne and Ron Held (FL). Uncle Skip was especially close to his nieces and nephews and enjoyed spending time with many great nieces and nephews over the years in Florida and in the mountains of New York.

Predeceased by: his loving wife, Bettye Jo, his parents Irene Yeager Muldoon and Georga Muldoon; his grandparents Henry and Ida Yeager and Grace and Austin Muldoon; his sister Jean Ida (Muldoon) Johnson; and his niece Peggy (Johnson) Bourkney.