



AARON R. DONKERSLOOT

July 3, 1934 - January 25, 2024

IN LIEU OF FLOWERS, MEMORIAL DONATIONS MAY BE MADE IN
AARON'S NAME TO:

HOLY FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
104 PARADISE ROAD
OAK RIDGE, NJ 07438.

VISITATION:

WEDNESDAY: JANUARY 31, 2024
4PM TO 8PM

STICKLE-SOLTESZ FUNERAL HOME

FUNERAL SERVICE:

THURSDAY: FEBRUARY 1, 2024
11:30AM
HOLY FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
104 PARADISE ROAD
OAK RIDGE, NEW JERSEY 07438

INTERMENT:

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2024
FOLLOWING FUNERAL SERVICE

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY VETERANS MEMORIAL CEMETERY
ROUTE 94
SPARTA, NEW JERSEY 07871

Aaron Richard Donkersloot, age 89, died January 25, 2024. He was born in Passaic, NJ on July 3, 1934. He lived in Passaic, NJ, Jacksonville, NC and the Milton section of Jefferson Township, NJ since 1960.

Mr. Donkersloot graduated from Passaic High School in 1951 and enlisted in the United States Navy in January of 1952. He was a proud Korean War Veteran, spending his most significant duty assignment in Camp LeJeune, NC as a Petty Officer Second Class.

He owned an Arnold Bread franchise for 32 years before his retirement. Aaron had a lifelong passion for sports, especially baseball where he excelled as a first baseman. He played on softball teams until he was 60 years old, when he transitioned his love for the game to being a behind the plate umpire until he was 80. He also enjoyed encouraging and mentoring youth sports.

Aaron holds a special place in the heart of all who knew him. His fierce love for and dedication to his family will remain at the forefront of our memories. He will be remembered as a great storyteller who described his memories of his boyhood, Navy service and sports with enthusiasm. He had a distinct and contagious laugh that was especially heard when spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. These are just a few of the traits that will be remembered always and will live on through those who love him.

Aaron was predeceased by his wife of 62 years Cecelia, his daughter Sharon Hornig and his parents, Richard and Cornelia (Zoon) Donkersloot.

He is survived by three daughters – Cecelia Kusha and her husband Gary of

Sparta, NJ, Karen Morrow and her partner Ernie of Murfreesboro, TN and Joyce Donkersloot of Milton, NJ; son-in-law George Hornig of Shohola, PA; seven grandchildren: Nicole and her husband Vincent, Theresa and her husband Jeffery, Jeffrey and his partner Melissa, Lauren and her husband Matthew, Michelle, Victoria and her husband Austin, and Richard; nine great-grandchildren: Tracy, Jacob, Caleb, Vienna, Lylah, Gavin, Hailey, Zoey and Harper; his brother Peter Donkersloot and his wife Arlene of Parsippany, NJ; his sisters-in-law Delores Waksmundski and Marie Curti; as well as ten nieces and nephews.

The viewing will be at Stickle-Soltesz Funeral Home, Newfoundland, NJ, on Wednesday, January 31 from 4-8 pm. The funeral will take place on Thursday, February 1, from the Stickle-Soltesz Funeral Home at 10:00 am with a Funeral Service at Holy Faith Lutheran Church at 11:30 am. Burial to immediately follow at the Northern New Jersey Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Sparta, NJ.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Aaron's name to Holy Faith Lutheran Church, 104 Paradise Road, Oak Ridge, NJ 07438.

On line condolences and directions: www.sticklesolteszfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 31. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Stickle-Soltesz Funeral Home
187 La Rue Road
(Parallel to Route 23 North between Clinton Road and Union Valley Road)
Newfoundland, NJ 07435
(973) 697-6700
info@sticklesolteszfuneralhome.com
<https://www.sticklesolteszfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

FEB 1. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Holy Faith Lutheran Church
104 Paradise Road
Oak Ridge, NJ 07438
(973) 697-6060

Interment

FEB 1. 1:30 PM - 2:15 PM (ET)

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY VETERANS MEMORIAL CEMETERY
Route 94
Sparta, NJ 07871

Tribute Wall

TF

“ *The Clark, Youngblood & Torres Families purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of AARON R. DONKERSLOOT.*



The Clark, Youngblood & Torres Families - January 30, 2024 at 11:50 PM

TF

“ *The Clark, Youngblood & Torres Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of AARON R. DONKERSLOOT.*

The Clark, Youngblood & Torres Families - January 30, 2024 at 11:50 PM

TL

“ *THE CURRY FAMILY WITH LOVE purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of AARON R. DONKERSLOOT.*



THE CURRY FAMILY WITH LOVE - January 29, 2024 at 06:29 PM

TL

“ *THE CURRY FAMILY WITH LOVE planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of AARON R. DONKERSLOOT.*

THE CURRY FAMILY WITH LOVE - January 29, 2024 at 06:29 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of AARON R. DONKERSLOOT.*



January 29, 2024 at 05:30 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of AARON R. DONKERSLOOT.*



January 29, 2024 at 05:30 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of AARON R. DONKERSLOOT.*



January 28, 2024 at 06:51 PM



“ *Merry & Rich Barrieres planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of AARON R. DONKERSLOOT.*

Merry & Rich Barrieres - January 28, 2024 at 06:51 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of AARON R. DONKERSLOOT.*



January 28, 2024 at 06:08 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of your passing. Jordan and I will always remember you. Praying for your continued peace and rest until we meet again. My deepest condolences to the family.*



Kymerly Watson - January 28, 2024 at 06:03 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of AARON R. DONKERSLOOT.*



January 28, 2024 at 03:23 PM



“ *Ray and Deb Paiva purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of AARON R. DONKERSLOOT.*



Ray and Deb Paiva - January 27, 2024 at 02:14 PM

WG

“ With love, Irene and Bill Gardner purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of AARON R. DONKERSLOOT.



With love, Irene and Bill Gardner - January 27, 2024 at 01:43 PM

WG

“ With love, Irene and Bill Gardner planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of AARON R. DONKERSLOOT.

With love, Irene and Bill Gardner - January 27, 2024 at 01:43 PM

BD

“ Brian, Donna, Walter and Aunt Delores purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of AARON R. DONKERSLOOT.



Brian, Donna, Walter and Aunt Delores - January 27, 2024 at 01:32 PM

CP

“ Carol Perone purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of AARON R. DONKERSLOOT.



Carol Perone - January 27, 2024 at 12:39 PM

CP

“ Carol Perone planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of AARON R. DONKERSLOOT.

Carol Perone - January 27, 2024 at 12:39 PM

KH

“ So sorry to hear of Aaron's passing. I remember playing softball and he was our ump. We had lots of laughs behind home plate! Love to his family. He is now in peace with his beautiful wife.

Kathy Hammond - January 27, 2024 at 10:59 AM

BC

“ Brenda (Diefes) lit a candle in memory of AARON DONKERSLOOT



Brenda (Diefes) Cox - January 25, 2024 at 09:10 PM