



## Donald Frederick Bartley

May 13, 1959 - August 16, 2019

Donald Frederick Bartley, 60, of Corvallis, Oregon, died unexpectedly of a massive heart attack at 1:28 p.m. on Friday, August 16, 2019.

Donald was born on May 13, 1959 in Kansas City, MO. As a young man his passion for

adventure took him throughout the nation. Those adventures even included him managing a

Chinese acrobat troupe that traveled from coast to coast. When it was time to settle down,

Donald worked a variety of marketing and sales positions. The last 15 years were spent selling real estate as a broker for Keller Williams, Town and Country and Windermere Real Estate.

Donald was a man who achieved both great personal successes and suffered devastating

setbacks. He did everything with a smile, a joke, and an optimism that could not be taken from him. He lived his life seeking out joy in every moment and with passion and energy knowing everything would work out the way God intended. He loved his family and friends fiercely and they loved him back just as fiercely. Donald not only told great stories, he lived one.

He is survived by his mother, Carole Bartley; daughter Kelsie Fell (Brandon Fell); grandchildren, Lincoln, Kingston, Ivy, Phoenix; four sisters, Ginger Wilkins (Dirk Wilkins), Peggy Shireman (Bob Shireman), Jennifer Miranda, Beverly Nagamoto (Toshi Nagamoto); nieces, Kendra Fahlsing, Natalie Attig,

Brooke Miranda, Erika Nagamoto; nephews, Chris Wilkins, Kevin Shireman, Todd Wilkins, Blake Miranda; loving partner, Shelley Mulvey, and numerous aunts, uncles, great-nieces and nephews, and cousins.

He is preceded in death by his father, Ray Bartley; paternal grandparents, Glenn and Grace

Bartley and maternal grandparents, Donald and Irma Cordon.

A funeral service will be held on Thursday, August 22nd at 2 p.m. at the First Baptist Church at 10th and Monroe. A Celebration of Life will be held for family members, close friends/coworkers on Friday, September 6th with details to follow.

Memorial contributions in honor of Donald may be sent to a charity of your choice. Donald

would also want you to have a laugh, be a friend and pay it forward.

Please share your thoughts and memories for the family at [www.demossturda.com](http://www.demossturda.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ *My sincere condolences to Donald’s family. He will be missed...*

Lane Young - September 24, 2019 at 03:05 PM



“ *Don will live on in our memories forever. He was more than a friend, he was my “brother from another mother.” Life was an adventure for him. He was kind, generous and had a beautiful soul. God Bless you Don Bartley...you made a big difference in this world and in the lives of all those you touched. You will be missed... -Steve Redman*

Steve Redman - August 23, 2019 at 08:57 AM



“ *Dear Carole, I am so saddened by the death of your son. This is Carol "Trammell" French who has moved from Corvallis to Meridian, Idaho. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. In His love, Carol*

Carol French - August 22, 2019 at 01:08 PM



“ *My heart is with your family during this time of shock and grief for a robust brother, son, uncle, dad, Grandpa and partner to be suddenly gone:( I know that when we love each other well we get it right:) Donald was an integral part of a strong, loving clan and it's impossibly hard to say goodbye to people who are there for each other showing up to tend to the little and big things with lots of love, spunk for life and a smiling sporty, shiny car:)*



Nancy Mildren - August 22, 2019 at 11:45 AM

RD

“ Don was a great asset to Elks and will be dearly missed by us all.

Rodger Danielson - August 22, 2019 at 10:14 AM

BN

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



beverly Nagamoto - August 22, 2019 at 12:50 AM

BN

“ 25 files added to the album Memories Album



Beverly Nagamoto - August 21, 2019 at 11:50 PM

KH

“ *Don had a heart of gold, a quick wit and a strong sense of loyalty and integrity. When he smiled his eyes sparkled and it was impossible not to smile along with him.*

*Don was a problem solver and always believed that any problem could be solved and any deed accomplished through creativity and persistence. He, especially in his youth, took the path less traveled. Those detours made him the man that he was and made for a lot of good stories.*

*Don loved his family, he was a son, brother, uncle and father. I think his favorite title was grandfather. I'm so saddened by the loss of this kind and caring man, however, if he had to be taken from us it is some consolation to know that the last year of his life he was happier than he had ever been before and it is because he found his soulmate in Shelley.*

*You will be missed.*

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**Kathi Hutchinson** - August 21, 2019 at 09:00 PM

JG

*I knew Don from the Elks where we held our Lions meetings...I am so saddened by his passing...he was always so nice and pleasant and an asset to the Elks...rest in peace Don..you will be so missed and loved in heaven*

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**judy gaulin** - August 23, 2019 at 03:55 AM

RS

“ Don was such a wonderful person and I'm so sad he is gone. He could just brighten your day by walking into a room and smiling that wonderful smile of his! He was witty, charming and unforgettable. I will miss him terribly!  
Love you Don!



Rhonda Stansell - August 21, 2019 at 08:20 PM

ES

“ Rest In Peace, Don.



Earl Scott - August 21, 2019 at 06:16 PM

BS

“ The first time I actually got to visit with Don and get to know him was at the Corvallis Elks lodge. He reminded me that the Elks meeting was that Thursday night ... which would be my first. So we decided to get a bite to eat, have a drink and attend the meeting ... off to a good start ... We proceeded to sit in the back of the gathering, as I watched the proceedings for the first time. As I was quietly visiting with Don in the back, not paying too much attention as the meeting was winding up ... I heard them call my name. Oh no I thought ... what have I done now ... but as I turned to Don with his Ear to Ear Smile, he slapped me on the shoulder and informed me that I had won \$150 ... A weekly attendance raffle to encourage members to come ... We laughed about the good fortune and proceeded to the bar where ...yup, drinks were on me, He was my good luck charm

Bill Stansell - August 21, 2019 at 11:45 AM

RK

“ *Ronda Kossow lit a candle in memory of  
Donald Frederick Bartley*



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**Ronda Kossow** - August 21, 2019 at 01:06 AM

DT

“ *"You have heard the tolling of eleven strokes.  
This is to remind us that with Elks  
the hour of eleven has a tender significance.  
Wherever an Elk may roam,  
Whatever his lot in life may be,  
when this hour falls upon the dial of night  
the great heart of Elkdom swells and throbs.  
It is the golden hour of recollection,  
the homecoming of those who wander,  
the mystic roll call of those who will come no more.  
Living or dead, an Elk is never forgotten, never forsaken.  
Morning and noon may pass him by,  
the light of day sink heedlessly in the West,  
but ere the shadows of midnight shall fall,  
the chimes of memory will be pealing forth  
the friendly message --  
"TO OUR ABSENT MEMBERS"*



*I see you now Don, with the great herd, making them all laugh and feel good about themselves. You have always been that kind of spirit, accepting of everyone and never admitting their faults. You will always be an awesome friend, leader and cheerleader, and wherever you roam you will always encourage all of those around you to be their best.*

*As you watch over all of us, especially Shelli, the love of your life, your family, your family at Windermere and the Corvallis Elks.... give us a nudge in the right direction when we tend to stray.. we will all feel your love and hear your laugh... as you set us back on the right path...*

*Here is a toast to you, the Elk that I will never forget and always miss.... much love brother on your future adventures!*

*Debbie*

**Debbie Thorpe** - August 20, 2019 at 02:39 AM

NI

“ *Donald,*  
*Your warm light of love, contagious laughter and genuine good*  
*heartedness will shine down from heaven to brighten our spirits*  
*always.*  
*Thank you for just being you!*

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**Nik** - August 19, 2019 at 10:55 PM