



Donald Eugene Rose

May 2, 1924 - May 1, 2025

Longtime Dundalk, MD resident Donald Eugene Rose passed away peacefully May 1, 2025 at his home of 65 years after suffering from multiple strokes. He was 100 years old, 1 day from turning 101.

A native of Bedford, PA, he served in the army during World War 2. He married Mona Marie Smith in 1957, also a native of Bedford PA. He worked at farming until he moved to Baltimore, MD. He worked at Airco manufacturing welding rods until his retirement.

Donald's favorite pastimes were deer, squirrel, turkey hunting and fishing. He liked shooting with a bow and arrow. He also enjoyed spending time with his family going on picnics and family outings, or just enjoying nature. He was also a handyman around the house doing the renovations himself.

He was a man of few words, but had a quiet strength. He always provided for his family and showed his love not by his words, but his actions.

He is survived by his son Daryl Rose and daughter Donna Astarita. He is also survived by six grandchildren: Heather Rose, Jessica Moore, Kurt Astarita, Melanie Bowers, Shannon Rose, Caitlin Astarita, and eleven great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his granddaughter Danielle Rose.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 56 years Mona Rose, his daughter Trudy Sobczak, and his sons Glenn Rose, Lloyd Rose, and Larry Rose. His parents George Sherman and Nellie Mae Rose, brothers Robert and Homer, sisters Marion, Mildred and Bernice preceded him in death.

He will always be in our hearts and will be truly missed. A private service and celebration of life will be held in his honor.