Donald S. LAMB



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85, of Tampa, passed away Aug. 1, 2015. A native of St. Louis, MO, and lifelong sports enthusiast. In college Don played for the Amateur Baseball League Association team in Beloit, KS, for the Mizzou Tigers and then in 1952 signed with the Philadelphia Athletes farm team in Fayetteville, NC the summer before enlisting in the Army. In 1953 he graduated from the Engineer Officers Candidate School at Ft.

Belvoir, VA and was stationed in the Loire Valley, France. He returned to the University of Missouri,

graduated with a degree in political science in June 1956 then entered grad school at GW University in DC to study international relations. In Feb. 1957, with graduation just months away, he passed the Foreign Service Officers' Test and was hired by the State Department as a diplomatic courier based in Germany. He also performed "special tasks" for another government agency. In Feb. 1961 Don went to work for Eastman Kodak first as assistant general manager in Kodak Philippines then as general manager in Taiwan (where he married his wife). In 1978 Kodak appointed him general manager of Kodak Iran. After Iran's Islamic Revolution Don was reassigned to Kodak headquarters in Rochester, NY, commuting daily from the horse farm he and his wife built. Don retired in 1989 and returned to his first love: baseball. He coached at West Bloomfield HS then at McQuaid Jesuit. In 1998 he moved to Pittsburgh, PA where his wife was pursuing PhD studies. He continued coaching baseball at Central Catholic High School. In 2007 he moved to Florida after his wife accepted a job at the University of Tampa. Throughout his life, Don was a devoted husband and father, supporting his wife and children through their triumphs and travails. Don's life was full of adventure and he now has started a new one. May he find his "field of dreams." Don is survived by his wife, Elizabeth Littell-Lamb; his son, Gordon (Rochester, NY); daughter, Tina Lortz (Baltimore, MD); and his older brother, Gene (Big Bear, CA). Celebration of Life, Saturday Oct. 10, 3-5 pm, at Blount and Curry Funeral Home - MacDill. Music and readings at 4 pm. In lieu of flowers, donate to a favorite charity .

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