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Smokejumper Obituary

Webb, Donald R. (McCall 1956)

Don died July 29, 2014, after a battle with lymphoma. He was born December 16, 1933, in Decorah, Iowa, and graduated from Clear Lake H.S. He graduated from the University of Idaho with a degree in forestry and jumped at McCall 1956, 57 and 60 and at Missoula the 1958 and 59 seasons. Don recorded 104 jumps.

Between 1960 and 1967, he developed the first fire dispatch office for the Coronado National Forest and also served as the first ski ranger at the Mount Lemmon Ski Area in Arizona. From 1967 to 1973, he served as the Regional Fire Coordinator in Albuquerque.

From there he was transferred to the Gila National Forest in Silver City. He was the Fire Management Officer from 1973 to 1984 when he retired

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