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### Donald Riemer Obituary

**D**onald N. Riemer PENNINGTON - Donald N. Riemer, 78, passed away on June 13, 2012. Donald was born in Newark, NJ, on Feb. 14, 1934, to Fred W. Riemer and Kathryn Darvill Riemer. He was educated in the Newark, NJ, public schools system and earned a B.S. degree from Rutgers University in wildlife conservation and management in 1956. Following graduation he married Janet Helen Tepper of Bergenfield, NJ, and he and his wife moved to El Paso, TX, where he entered active duty in the U.S. Army at Fort Bliss. He attended Guided Missile Unit Commanders School and served with the Military Police in the office of the Provost Marshall as post wildlife management officer. Upon being released from active duty in 1958, he attended Auburn University in Auburn, AL, where he was awarded a master's degree in fisheries management in 1960. He returned to New Jersey and worked as a fisheries biologist for the New Jersey Division of Fish and Game until 1962, when he accepted employment at Rutgers University as an instructor in the Department of Soils and Crops and simultaneously began working on a Ph.D. degree at that school. In 1966 he was awarded a Doctor of Philosophy degree in soils and crops with a specialty in aquatic weed control. He spent the rest of his career at Rutgers, where he conducted research and taught courses related to aquatic plants. He served on numerous departmental, collegiate, and university-wide committees as well as serving as director of the graduate program in soils and crops and chairman of the Department of Soils and Crops. He retired from the university in 1993 and had resided in Hopewell Township, NJ, for over 20 years. He is survived by his wife, Janet Riemer; daughter, Cathy Riemer; son, Michael Riemer; daughter-in-law, Katie Riemer; grandson, Crane Riemer, and sister, Carol Vesterdal. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, June 19, at 11 a.m. at the Wilson-Apple Funeral Home, 2560 Pennington Rd., Pennington, NJ, with the Rev. William McQuoid officiating. Friends may call on Tuesday from 9 to 11 a.m. at the funeral home.. Burial will be in Harbourton Cemetery. To send a condolence, visit [wilsonapple.com](http://wilsonapple.com).

  
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