



REMEMBERING DONALD LANGER (DON)

November 20, 1926 - April 17, 2019



Langer, Donald B. (Don)

Don was born in Wembley, Middlesex, England in 1926. He joined the Air Training Corps when WWII Began and gained his "wings" as a glider pilot in 1941. Joining the RAF in 1942, he completed initial flight training and was transferred to the newly formed Glider Pilot Regiment which was part of the Army Air Corps. Don served in North Africa, Sicily, Italy, D-Day, and France and was shot down, wounded, and taken prisoner in Arnhem, Holland. Repatriated in 1945, he spent months convalescing in England. Don then spent three years with the British Army of the Rhine (BAOR), the occupation force in Germany, before returning to London as a volunteer driver for the 1948 Olympics in his home town of Wembley. A member of the British Legion for twenty years, Don has also been a member of the Canadian Legion for the last forty-five years and is a member of the Cowichan Branch #53. Don was awarded the Italy Star, the Africa Star, the France and Germany Star, the War Medal 1939 - 1945, the British Defence Medal, and the Liberation of Holland Commemorative Medal.

