



Donald Weaver

March 28, 1934 - September 10, 2020

Donald Arthur Weaver, 86, Topeka, died September 10, 2020.

Don was born March 28, 1934, in Galveston, Texas, the son of Arthur and Helen Valentine Koehler Weaver. His family moved to Topeka when he was a child, and he graduated from Hayden High School.

Don studied at Rockhurst College in Kansas City, Missouri, before earning a degree in accounting at Washburn University in Topeka.

Don joined the U.S. Army in 1956, with two years of active duty and four years in the Reserves. He was discharged on October 31, 1962, the day his only daughter was born.

Don began his 33-year career with the Santa Fe Railway in 1959. The job took his young family – wife and three children – to Chicago in 1967, then back to Topeka in 1973. He retired from Santa Fe on October 30, 1992. Upon his return to Topeka, Don and family joined St. Matthew's Catholic Church and he was actively involved in the church the rest of his life. He served for several years as a lay minister, many years as an usher and most recently helped count the tithings for the church. He was also a member of the Knights of Columbus.

Don enjoyed the great outdoors, perhaps more than the average accountant. He was an avid hunter, fisherman and boater. He was a craftsman as skilled with power tools as he was with numbers. Don enjoyed collecting railroad memorabilia and refurbishing a variety of items found at garage sales and auctions, especially boats and trailers.

He married Mary Helen Hummel on December 26, 1959. They raised three children. Mary Helen preceded Don in death in July 1998.

He married Norma Artzer on December 31, 1998. She survives, of the home. Other survivors include two sons, Randy (Deanna) and Doug (Deb), both of Topeka; a daughter, Wendy Jost (Todd), Lehigh, Kansas; two stepsons, Andy Artzer (Jeanne) and Eric Artzer (Marj); 11 grandchildren, Hannah Weaver, Franklin Jost, Sonja Jost, Dakota Weaver, Henli Weaver, Tristan Weaver, Luke Artzer, Dillon Artzer, Elise Artzer, Ethan Artzer and Eli Artzer; and three great-grandchildren, Myles Artzer, Jace Artzer and Axel Artzer.

Don was preceded in death by a brother, Johnny Weaver, and a sister, Gloria Byers, both of Topeka.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Friday, September 18, 2020, at St. Matthew Catholic Church, 2700 SE Virginia Ave, Topeka KS 66605, where visitation will be one-hour prior. Inurnment will follow in Mount Calvary Cemetery.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, masks and social distance are required.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Matthew Catholic Church, or A&A Medical Transportation, sent in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614.

Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary Cemetery

801 SW Westchester Rd
Topeka, KS 66606

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **18**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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2700 SE Virginia Ave
Topeka, KS 66605

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Tribute Wall



“ *Donald Weaver*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Randy , Wendy, and Doug the Smelter family was so sorry to hear your Dad passed away. We all have such fond memories of your family. Our Mulvane days are wonderful memories. Mom wanted me to let you know she is thinking of you all and was so pleased Wendy came to her 90th birthday. Sending love and prayers to you all. 💜*



Bobbie, Sindi, Debi, and Becki

Sindi Smelter Byrd - October 16, 2020 at 10:57 AM



“ *Randy, Wendy and Doug,
We are so sorry to hear about your Dad. Lots of good memories of your Dad from parties at your house in Park Forest to the 4th of July pool parties at my folks' place here in Topeka. You always had to know where "the Weav" was or you might get pushed in!
Always a smile on his face!*

Dave and Cheryl Carson

Dave Carson - September 17, 2020 at 11:49 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donald Weaver.*



September 16, 2020 at 10:21 PM



“ *Norma and family- we are saddened to hear of Don's passing. He was a fun to be around and was a good friend. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Dan and Mary Sanders

Dan Sanders - September 16, 2020 at 05:56 PM



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Doug Weaver - September 14, 2020 at 07:00 PM

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“ 48 files added to the album *Don Weaver memories*



Doug Weaver - September 14, 2020 at 03:31 PM