



## Richard J. Deghand Sr.

July 1, 1932 - October 16, 2015

Richard J. Deghand, Sr., 83, Topeka, died Friday, October 16, 2015, at Aldersgate Village Retirement Community.

He was born July 1, 1932, in Topeka, the son of Albert Deghand, Jr and Connie Schiffelbein Deghand.

He served in the Army in France from 1952 to 1954. Rich was employed by the Santa Fe Railroad as a Freight Carmen welder for 40 years. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church and was a lay minister. Rich was a Eucharistic minister at St. Francis Hospital and to shut-ins and was a Door Step volunteer.

He was a member of the Santa Fe Old Timers Club and the National Association of Retired and Veteran Railroad Employees. Rich loved to hunt and fish with his family. He loved Sunday gatherings with his children and grandchildren. Rich enjoyed watching the Jayhawks, Chiefs and Royals play and occasionally going to games with his family. He also was a fantastic gardener and a great carpenter who loved to build and remodel things.

He was married to Joanne E. Eakes on July 11, 1952, in Topeka at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. She preceded him in death on January 12, 1998.

Other survivors include sons, Richard Deghand Jr., Topeka, David Deghand (Kathy) Aurora, Colorado, Mike Deghand (Lisa), Berryton, KS, Scott Deghand (Annette), Berryton, KS, daughters, Denise Dinwiddie, (Dennis) Topeka, Donna Deghand (Gregg Fountaine), Topeka. Grandchildren are Joseph Deghand, Kurtis Deghand, Dennis Deghand, Davina Lowe, Jessica Deghand, Jacob Deghand, Ben Deghand, Cole Deghand, Lane Deghand, Ami Christina and Sarah Broxterman. Great-grandchildren Hoyt Deghand and Dalton Deghand.

Also surviving are sisters, Pat Matzek (J.O) and Margaret Wieder.

Rich was preceded in death by siblings Lillian, Leonard, Robert, Ray, Judith and Tim.

Mr. Deghand's visitation will be 5-7 p.m. Monday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 312 NE Freeman Avenue, Topeka KS 66616, with parish rosary at 5:30 p.m.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Burial will be at Mount Calvary Cemetery. Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 3625 SW 29th Street Suite 102, Topeka KS 66614, and Midland Care Hospice, 200 SW Frazier Circle, Topeka KS 66606.

# Cemetery Details

## Mount Calvary Cemetery

801 SW Westchester Rd  
Topeka, KS 66606

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **19**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
312 NE Freeman Ave  
Topeka, KS 66616

## Rosary

OCT **19**. 5:30 PM (CT)

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312 NE Freeman Ave  
Topeka, KS 66616

## Mass of Christian Burial

OCT **20**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
312 NE Freeman Ave  
Topeka, KS 66616



# Tribute Wall



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Richard J. Deghand Sr.



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**Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home** - October 19, 2015 at 11:46 AM



“ *Richard J. Deghand Sr.*

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January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Pop, I miss you so much. We were so close and spent much time doing arts and crafts, building and paint birdhouse and trellises with Sarah. I know you are mom are finally together and so very happy in the arms of the Lord. You were the best parents ever and we are better for it.*

*I visit and talk to you often. Please keep talking to me to get me through loosing you both.*

*Love you always!  
Donna and Sarah*

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**Donna and Sarah** - December 04, 2015 at 11:03 PM

TP

“ Todd & Kim Penrod purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Richard J. Deghand Sr..



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**Todd & Kim Penrod** - October 19, 2015 at 02:17 PM

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“ Scott/Annette and family -- So sorry to hear about your Dad Scott -- you all in our thoughts and prayers ...  
Ernie and Joyce --- and the Parks and Recreation Family...

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**Ernie Shaw** - October 19, 2015 at 11:15 AM

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“ ADT Kansas City purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Richard J. Deghand Sr..



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**ADT Kansas City** - October 19, 2015 at 10:40 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard J. Deghand Sr..



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October 18, 2015 at 10:54 AM