



Don John Bauer

October 8, 1930 - March 17, 2017

Don John Bauer, 86, of Grand Island died March 17, 2017 at the Nebraska Veterans Home in Grand Island.

At his request, Mr. Bauer was cremated. A Gathering of family and friends will be held on Thursday, March 23 from 5 to 7 p.m. at All Faiths Funeral Home. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, March 24, at St. Mary's Cathedral. Fr. Scott Harter will officiate. Military Honors will be rendered by the U.S. Marines.

Mr. Bauer was born on October 8, 1930, son of John D. and Rosa (Griess) Bauer in Clay County town, Eldorado, Nebraska. As a small child, the family moved to Lincoln where he received his education.

Mr. Bauer attended the University of Nebraska and joined the Marine Corp. in 1950. He served in Korea, and was in charge of battlefield radio relay operations. He had achieved the rank of technical sergeant at the time of his discharge in 1953.

On October 5, 1957 he married Sandra Curran.

In 1957, Don joined IBM, and the following year they moved to Hastings to service customers there. He then worked as a service manager for Hastings Typewriter. Later, Don joined Lincoln Equipment as the area sales representative for the Caterpillar Dealer; in 1972 he moved his family to Grand Island where he was the district manager for Lincoln Equipment. While in Grand Island, Don became part owner and operator of BOC/H & M Construction Company, handling the sand, gravel and concrete operation

while also managing Consolidated Concrete. In 2003 he retired from Anderson Ford after 13 years as the fleet manager.

Mr. Bauer was a member of the American Legion, former member of the Elks Club. He was also a member of the Hastings Jaycees where he received the Spoke Award as the Outstanding Member of 1961. Don was an Admiral in the Nebraska Navy.

Don's main interest in life was his home and family. He was a successful youth baseball coach and an excellent coach for his children in all phases of life. Don was a forever fan of Nebraska Husker athletics, especially football. He is survived by his wife, Sandra; seven children and their spouses, Lisa (Russ) Geist of Grand Island, Kathy (Randy) Geier of Wauneta, Steve (Liz) Bauer of Denver, Jim (Tracy) Bauer of Silver City, NM, John (Tammy) Bauer of Simi Valley, CA, Julie (Steve) Bohn of Omaha and Joe (Kelli) Bauer of Overland Park, KS; brother, Victor Bauer of Mesa, AZ; three sisters, Dorothy Garrett of Lincoln, Mary Gitzen of St. Paul, MN, and Geraldine Wacker of Hood River, OR; 17 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and numerous extended family and friends.

Don was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Norma.

Memorials are suggested to the Alzheimer's Association.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **23**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

All Faiths Funeral Home
2929 S Locust St
Grand Island, NE 68801
(308) 398-2929
allfaiths@giallfaiths.com
<https://www.giallfaiths.com/>

Mass of Christian Burial

MAR **24**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Cathedral
112 S Cedar St
Grand Island, NE 68801-5897
(308) 384-2523

Tribute Wall



“ *Don John Bauer*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *Julie, John and the Bauer family, I'm very sorry to hear of your loss. My sincere condolences.*

Kent Brannagan - March 29, 2017 at 12:51 PM



“ *To the Bauer Family,
“What we have once enjoyed, we can never lose. All that we love deeply becomes part of us.” -Helen Keller*

Mike and Bonnie Rocko

Bonnie Rocko - March 24, 2017 at 10:50 AM



“ *My most sincere condolences to the family - I hadn't seen Don in a long time but I remember him as being such a positive, wonderful person to be around. He will be missed.*

Julie Naughton

Julie Naughton - March 23, 2017 at 12:25 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Don John Bauer.*



March 23, 2017 at 09:37 AM



“ *Dear Sandy and family: There are so many lives Don touched in a positive way as a loving husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, brother and friend. So many wonderful memories and stories that bring a smile and show the great guy he was and how he made a difference or made someone's day*

So many hearts that are feeling sadness, BECAUSE he was here--- BECAUSE he was Loved....So sorry for your loss.

May this sorrowful time allow you to reflect upon all the joy that you once shared with your departed Don.

Love, Jerry and Jerrie Wacker

Jerry and Jerrie Wacker, - March 22, 2017 at 02:38 PM



Jerrie and Jerry, Thank you for your kind words. Our condolences to you as well, Jerrie, in the loss of your brother. I know the two of you were quite close growing up, and I hope the memories of that are bringing you joy at this time. Take care. ~Lisa

Lisa Geist - March 23, 2017 at 07:43 AM

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“ *Bauer family, may your happy memories comfort you during this difficult time. Love, Chuck and Marla Robinson*

marla robinson - March 22, 2017 at 12:52 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Don John Bauer.*



March 21, 2017 at 06:34 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Don John Bauer.*



March 21, 2017 at 10:32 AM

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“ *Our sympathy and prayers to Sandie and the Bauer family.*

Rich & Claire Bohn

Claire Bohn - March 21, 2017 at 09:28 AM