



Donald "Don" E. Kramer

March 6, 1951 - January 28, 2026

Donald "Don" Everett Kramer, 74, of Central City, Nebraska died Wednesday, January 28, 2026 at his home in Central City. Memorial services are going to be Thursday, February 5, 2026 at 11 a.m. at Solt-Wagner Funeral Home in Central City with Don Placke officiating. Visitation will be Wednesday, February 4, 2025 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the funeral home. The family encourages everyone to wear casual dress. Burial of ashes will be at a later date.

Memorials are suggested to the Pink Ladies of Central City. Condolences can be sent to the family at www.soltwagnerfuneral.com.

Don was born on March 6, 1951 in Central City, Nebraska to Everett and Barbara (Whaley) Kramer. He grew up in Central City and attended school there. He also attended Wentworth Military Academy in Lexington, Missouri, graduating in 1969. He returned to his hometown and worked various jobs including working for the city with his Dad. In March of 1972, he started working for the Union Pacific Railroad. He joined the Jr. Old Timers Club and served as Vice President. The couple traveled to Spokane and Vegas for yearly conventions by passenger train.

Don married Corry Reeves on April 29, 1978. He retired in 2011 and added babysitter to his resume when grandson Derek was born. During this time, you would see him pushing Derek in the stroller or stopping at Lafayette

seeing the girls.

After retirement, he was approached by Steve Blodgett to start the Facebook group, Save the State Theater. He was one of the original board members for the State Theater and also served as Vice President. You could see him at the ticket booth or serving popcorn to customers. He especially enjoyed giving tours of the theater and seeing the people and the cars at the yearly car shows. Don was also a vital part of the Central City Class of 1969 class reunions.

You could also find him in his garage watching YouTube videos and playing games on his computer.

Don is survived by his wife- Corry of Central City, NE; two daughters- Kasey (Jon) Blodgett of Central City, NE; and Kayla (Travis) Lane of Stromsburg, NE; sisters- Karol and Ken Iberg of Lancaster, SC; Mary Sanders of Grand Island, NE; and Penny Tucker of Cleburne, TX; four grandchildren- Derek and Drew Blodgett, Keegan and Kalan Lane; close family friend- Tara Burke of Central City, NE; sister in laws- Toni and Mitch Husman of Central City, NE and Suz and Tom Bugee of Gibbon, NE; many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and in-laws- Spud and Joy Reeves.

Cemetery Details

At a Later Date

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 4. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Solt-Wagner Funeral Home
1507 17th St.
Central City, NE 68826
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Memorial Service

FEB 5. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

ST

“ Don was at Wentworth Military Academy '67? through 'Spring '69 when he graduated. He was an Old Boy and a Squad Leader '68 - '69. We were both in "F Company" barracks. I remember that we were both from Nebraska.

Sam Ryan, Dallas, Texas - March 01 at 03:42 PM

JW

“ Our memories of Donnie are special, he was a golf partner with Don, and they had many good times together, I loved talking to him about his job at the state theater, he always explaining about being a volunteer, I almost took him on it Donnie will be missed by so many Friends CORY and Family our prayers and thoughts are with you all DON & JOYCE 🙏😊😊

Joyce Williams - February 04 at 01:06 PM

TL

“ Tim and Tonia Luschei planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald "Don" E. Kramer.

Tim and Tonia Luschei - February 04 at 12:50 PM

TL

“ Tim and Tonia Luschei purchased the Fiery Lily and Rose for the family of Donald "Don" E. Kramer.



Tim and Tonia Luschei - February 04 at 12:50 PM

CM

“ Cody, Amanda, Paislee, Henry, & Nellie Means planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald "Don" E. Kramer.

Cody, Amanda, Paislee, Henry, & Nellie Means - February 04 at 10:49 AM

CM

“ Cody, Amanda, Paislee, Henry, & Nellie Means purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Donald "Don" E. Kramer.



Cody, Amanda, Paislee, Henry, & Nellie Means - February 04 at 10:49 AM

GG

“ My prayers and condolences to Dons family. Although I was a couple of years ahead of him at Wentworth he and I became friends while patrolling the halls down the hill in "F" in the late 60's. We will all miss this fine guy. 🙏

gary graning - February 04 at 12:31 AM

RW

“ I worked with Don for many years on the railroad. We often helped one another on different job sites. You could always tell when Don had been in one of the signal houses as there was an empty Dr Pepper can in one of the racks in there. 😊 Deepest sympathy to all his family. RIP Don 🙏. Randy Walz

Randy Walz - February 03 at 11:37 AM

HT

“ Hamilton Telecommunications planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald "Don" E. Kramer.

Hamilton Telecommunications - February 03 at 09:35 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" E. Kramer.



February 03 at 09:35 AM

AS

“ All of us at the City of Stromsburg purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Donald "Don" E. Kramer.



All of us at the City of Stromsburg - February 03 at 09:11 AM

LH

“ This is for Corey, I am so sorry for your loss 🍷❤️🙏 Sincerely,
Leigh Holtorf

Leigh Holtorf - February 03 at 12:29 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" E. Kramer.*



February 02 at 02:45 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" E. Kramer.*



February 02 at 09:27 AM



“ *To Donnie's family I knew Don as Donnie, way back when. K-4th grade we were in the same class. Donnie was always teasing someone, I was often that person, it was not mean teasing, not bullying. Just fun. I remember many in our class playing on the "monkey bars" and Donnie was right there. I am sorry for the loss. I am happy to know he has a wonderful loving family and that he enjoyed life. Julia Wilder Schroeder, niece of Clara and Will Everett.*

Julia Wilder Schroeder - February 01 at 11:25 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Donald "Don" E. Kramer.*



January 30 at 05:00 PM

BW

“ *Corry, I am so sorry to hear this! My thoughts and prayers go out for you and the family. Don was ALWAYS so kind to me, and always patient with me getting his truck going for him when he couldnt figure it out himself. May he finally rest in peace, and no longer in pain! Love ya! Bill Wilcox*

Bills Hobby Shop / Bill L Wilcox - January 30 at 03:48 PM

BH

“ *Cory - we are praying for you - it is a big loss when it is your spouse. I will always remember the diet Dr. Pepper he gave me when we visited you a couple of years ago - I was so upset that Nebraska did not have diet Dr. Pepper. Bev Reeves Holm*

Bev Reeves Holm - January 30 at 02:38 PM

PD

“ *When I worked at the Dairy Queen in High School, Don would stop in and tease Kathy, Rhonda and I. He always made us laugh back then and still, today, I smile when I think of him. Corry, dear friend, I am so sorry for your loss. Paula Mautz Darling*

Paula Darling - January 30 at 01:50 PM

AC

“ *All of us at caseys purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Donald "Don" E. Kramer.*



All of us at caseys - January 30 at 01:32 PM

DK

“ I met Don in kindergarten and he always made sure we napped together on our rugs. He was a life long friend whom I will miss so very much. We lost a good man who fought so hard to live. Corry and kids, I am so sorry for your loss. Please accept my sincere condolences to all of you. He was so proud of his family. Love to you all...Denice Larsen Kruse. Grand Island, NE

Denice Kruse - January 30 at 01:09 PM

SM

“ Don I never got to meet you in person but sure enjoyed our FB messages....got to laugh a lot with you got to know you more through your sister Karol my special friend you will be missedsending lots of love and hug to all your familySharon and Mac McDowell

Sharon McDowell - January 30 at 12:31 PM