



Donald L. "Don" Stewart

February 4, 1946 - August 16, 2023

Donald L. "Don" Stewart, 77, of Central City, formerly of Polk, died on Wednesday, August 16, 2023 at Bryan Medical Center West in Lincoln. Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Monday, August 21, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Central City with Father Bernard Lorenz and Father Bill L'Heureux officiating. Visitation will be held on Sunday, August 20th from 5-7 p.m. at Solt-Wagner Funeral Home in Central City, with a 4:30 p.m. Rosary at the funeral home.

A memorial has been established in Don's honor and will be designated at a later date. Expressions of caring and kindness can be sent to the family at www.soltwagnerfuneral.com.

Don was born on February 4, 1946 in Omaha to Kenneth and Esther (Esakson) Stewart. Don's mother passed away when he was young, and his father later married Doris (Dayley). Don was raised in Polk and graduated from Polk High School in 1964. Following his graduation, he attended Nebraska Wesleyan and the University of Nebraska Lincoln. During his time in Lincoln, Don was a car sales manager at Vanice Cadillac Pontiac. On January 9, 1971 he married the love of his life, Carol Muff in Crete. They made their home in Lincoln until 1977, when they moved with their growing family to Polk. Don began working at Citizens State Bank, which would later become Cornerstone Bank until he retired in 2016. Don served the Polk community in a variety of ways in addition to accepting the Mayor position for over 30+ years while raising 5 children. Don and Carol then moved to Central City in

2021.

Throughout Don's life his love for vehicles was well known. Vehicles that were fast or slow, low or high, he would always have something new to share with others. Don was an entrepreneur at heart and was able to combine his love for vehicles and cleanliness in a partnership known as the Central City Carwash. To know Don was to love a man with great character, compassion, and humor. He always made time for you with a story, a joke, or a listening ear.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife, Carol of Central City, his children; Kerwyn (Lisa) Stewart of Shelton, Alicea (Mike) Hill of Holdrege, Brenda (Brent) Lamb of Gretna, Melissa (Gary, Jr.) Schwartman of Syracuse, and Megan (Justin) Pike of Clarks, his sisters; Joyce Baird of Lincoln and Karla Smith of Grand Island; 9 handsome grandsons; 3 beautiful granddaughters; and a host of extended family.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his mother and father-in-law; Hubert and Alice Muff, and brothers-in-law; Sam Baird and Steve Smith.

Cemetery Details

Central City Cemetery

Central City, NE 68826

Previous Events

Rosary

AUG 20. 4:30 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Solt-Wagner Funeral Home
1507 17th St.
Central City, NE 68826
(308) 946-3303
soltwagnerfuneral@gmail.com
<https://www.wagnerfuneral.com/>

Visitation

AUG 20. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Mass of Christian Burial

AUG 21. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Michael's Catholic Church
2004 24th St
Central City, NE 68826

Tribute Wall

TS

“ Carol, I am so sorry to hear that Don passed away. He and I had many great conversations while he was Mayor of Polk and I was in the Sheriff's Department during the 1980's. He was a very good man and I had a great deal of respect for him. Tim Siemek

Tim Siemek - August 31, 2023 at 05:10 PM

DW

“ Carol, I was very sad to hear of Don's passing. I always enjoyed visiting with you and Don when gathering with friends for an evening of food and fun. My sympathy to you and your family at this sad time. Dolly Wilson

Dolly Wilson - August 30, 2023 at 01:18 AM

DW

“ Dan Webb purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Donald L. "Don" Stewart.



Dan Webb - August 21, 2023 at 04:54 PM

DW

“ Dan Webb planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald L. "Don" Stewart.

Dan Webb - August 21, 2023 at 04:54 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Donald L. "Don" Stewart.



August 20, 2023 at 02:34 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Donald L. "Don" Stewart.

August 20, 2023 at 02:34 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Donald L. "Don" Stewart.



August 20, 2023 at 12:21 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Donald L. "Don" Stewart.

August 20, 2023 at 12:21 AM



“ Remember you both visiting your Uncle Harry's family in San Jose, California. We are so sorry for such a great loss. Love from your California cousins.
Eileen Muff McMahon

Eileen McMahon - August 19, 2023 at 08:24 PM

CT

“ Got to have the privilege of him and his wife at church. He would come into Kwik Stop and I always loved seeing them. Going to miss you Don . Hugs and Prayers to Carol and the family.

Carmel Tuma - August 19, 2023 at 04:44 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Donald L. "Don" Stewart.



August 19, 2023 at 03:27 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald L. "Don" Stewart.



August 19, 2023 at 02:12 PM

KH

“ I first met Donald in the third grade when I moved to Nebraska. He was a good friend to me throughout senior year. He was a good, kind man. Condolences to his family.

Kathryn Gail Giles Holland

Kathryn Gail Giles Holland - August 18, 2023 at 08:53 PM



LL

“ Don was a great person always enjoyed talking with him
He was a good supporter of Polk Schools
Prayers to Carol and the family

Larry M Lindquist - August 18, 2023 at 05:36 PM

GJ

“ Very sorry to hear this. Don always had a great way of making
people feel like they were important. I have not seen Don in many
years. I am saddened to know I will never see that twinkle in his eye
again. God Bless the Family.

Gary Johnson - August 18, 2023 at 05:15 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of
Donald L. "Don" Stewart.



August 18, 2023 at 05:07 PM

SB

“ I had the pleasure of going to America Cruise twice with Don. What
great time I had with this humorous man. I am deeply saddened of
his passing, but blessed to know him. He was a true gentleman that
will be missed by myself and many others. I am very sorry for your
family's loss.

Shawn Bedient

Shawn Bedient - August 18, 2023 at 04:37 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald L. "Don" Stewart.*



August 18, 2023 at 02:29 PM



“ *Bridget & Dan, Tom & Taylor and Families purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Donald L. "Don" Stewart.*



Bridget & Dan, Tom & Taylor and Families - August 18, 2023
at 01:28 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald L. "Don" Stewart.*



August 18, 2023 at 11:36 AM



“ *A Great life, lived by a Great, kind, sweet man. Our sympathies to the Stewart family. Brian and Trudy Gocke*

Trudy Gocke - August 18, 2023 at 11:23 AM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Donald L. "Don" Stewart.



August 18, 2023 at 10:51 AM



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