



Donald Eldon Warren Jr.

February 3, 1941 - May 5, 2022

Donald Eldon Warren, Jr., age 81 of Neodesha, Kansas, passed away at his home on May 5, 2022.

Donald was born February 3, 1941 in Independence, Kansas to Donald Warren Sr. and Lyle (Heslop) Warren. He grew up in Independence alongside his brother Terry, graduating from Independence High School in the class of 1959.

In 1964, Donald married Krin Hollingsworth. Together they had twin sons, Donnie and Ronnie. They later divorced. He then married Sue Williams, and gained 2 step-sons, David and Lamont. They were married until Sue's passing in 1995. On June 14, 1996, Donald married Carolyn Maxwell, at one of their favorite spots at Elk City Lake. With this marriage, he gained another son, Ron into his life. Don and Carolyn have enjoyed the thrills of life, and their family together for the last 26 years.

As a young man, Donald went to work for Rock Island Railroad in El Reno, OK. He retired from the railroad in the early 80's and moved back to Kansas. He made his home in Neodesha and went to work for Cobalt Boats, retiring after 25 years, where he was known as the CEO of Non-Current Material. Donald loved people and loved to talk to anyone and everyone about anything. If you were having a bad day, he was able to make it better with just

a little conversation.

Donald loved the outdoors and animals. The entire family made it a yearly tradition to camp at Elk City Lake during Neewollah. He would have to make 2 or 3 trips home each day though, to check on his dogs. He also loved to play the drums, which was a life-long passion that started back in high school. In his younger years, he would play alongside the jukebox in clubs he would visit and even had a local band for a while. He kept it up and would play Wipeout on the drums at the Cobalt Christmas party every year.

Above all else, Donald loved his family. He loved spending time with them, whether it was camping at the lake or conversations in the living room.

He is survived by his wife, Carolyn of the home

Sons:

Don (Annette) Warren of Broken Arrow, OK

Ronnie (Debbie) Warren of Tyler, TX

Ron (Stephanie) Fyfe of Neodesha, KS

Step-Sons:

David Williams of Arizona

Lamont Williams of Independence, KS

Brother, Terry Warren (Ed Johnson) of Iola, KS

Grandchildren:

Scott (Lindsay) Warren of Lewisville, TX

Kyle (Rayzel) Warren of Broken Arrow, OK

Jessica Warren (Rich Martin) of Tyler, TX

Kristen (Luke) Penny of Tyler, TX

Keenan (Chelsea) Fyfe of Independence, KS

Mac (Hayley) Fyfe of Independence, KS
Rusty Williams of Independence, KS

Great-Grandchildren: Penny, Riley, Knox, and 3 more on the way

He was preceded in death by his parents, Don and Lyle Warren, and aunt, Agnes Dreher

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, May 21, 2022, at Grace Baptist Church in Neodesha, KS

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions be made to Harry Hynes Hospice, AWOL of Independence, or Fredonia Pound Pals, and can be mailed to or left with the funeral home.

Services entrusted to Countryside Funeral Home, 420 S. 20th, PO Box 247, Fredonia, KS 66736

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY **21**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Grace Baptist Church
1317 N. 7th
Neodesha, KS 66757

Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Donald Eldon Warren Jr..*



May 17, 2022 at 04:44 PM



“ *Don was like a grandpa to me. He was my neighbor growing up and made my childhood so memorable. He was one of the sweetest most kind hearted person I know. When I was small I planted a watermelon plant with my sister. We worked so hard to grow it and the neighbors dog destroyed it. My sister and I spent all day trying to save it. Don went to the store and bought a watermelon and a cantaloupe and when we woke up the next morning our plants had fruit. We were so excited. He used to have us over on the weekends and we would help with the yard work, I am sure we were in the way more than we ever helped but he always had time for us and never made us feel like we hadn't been anything less than a true blessing. I love him more than words and am so grateful he found Carolyn. She is like a grandma to me as well. I love you both for always.*

Amy Ratcliff - May 15, 2022 at 12:24 AM



“ *Condolences on the loss of Don. We always enjoyed chatting with him at church functions and will miss him too. He was a joy.*

Walt & Mina Olson

Olsons - May 10, 2022 at 01:02 PM

PM

“ *Caroline and family,
Terry, So very sorry to hear of your loss. My daughter Dawn and
Don worked at Cobalt and shared the same Birthday and a
friendship that will last forever.*

Peggy Murrell - May 09, 2022 at 04:08 PM

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“ *Don was always there for a smile and conversation. I worked with
Don at Cobalt for several years, but had knew him for years before
then. I remember telling Don about someone stealing an old ladder
my Dad had left me, the next day he brought over an old ladder of
his, he would not take any money in exchange. My Dad was an old
railroad man and Don would share stories of his time working for the
Rock Island railroad. Don would drive around town and if he saw a
dog in a pen or that looked like it needed some care he would leave
some dog food and spend a little bit of time , which I know these
dogs appreciated. I will miss Don, prayers for comfort to his wife
Carolyn, and all of his children and grandchildren.*

Bob Brown - May 07, 2022 at 08:18 PM

LA

“ *I remember lots about Don.
The most specific thing. Was when he stopped and helped Bob.
Bob was fighting cancer. And Don said buddy let me help you.
Bob said I d like that.
We loved Don for his help.
They are together now. 🙏❤️*

Linda Allen - May 07, 2022 at 02:34 PM