



## Donald D. Ostendorf

September 9, 1927 - May 7, 2023

Donald Ostendorf, 95 of Ravenna passed away Sunday, May 7, 2023 at CHI Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney. Funeral Services will be 10:30 a.m. Friday, May 12, 2023 at O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral Home in Kearney with Pastor John Gosswein officiating. Interment will follow at Kearney Cemetery with military honors provided by Kearney American Legion Post #52, VFW Post #759 in conjunction with the U.S. Navy Funeral Honors Team. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Memorials are suggested to Seneca Sunrise in Ravenna. Condolences may be shared online at [www.osrfh.com](http://www.osrfh.com). Services are entrusted to O'Brien Straatmann Redinger Funeral and Cremation Services.

Don was born September 9, 1927 in Odell, Nebraska to Henry and Katerine (Oltrogge) Ostendorf. The family moved to Barneston, NE where he attended school, graduating in May of 1945. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy, July 4, 1945, and after boot camp was sent to China in January of 1946. He served aboard the U.S.S. Estes from January 1946 until his honorable discharge in August of 1946. He then attended the University of Nebraska, graduating from the College of Pharmacy in January of 1953. After Graduation, he was employed at ABC Drug. In October of 1953, Don was united in marriage to Irene "Ruth" England. He continued to be an employee of ABC until February of 1970. From 1970 to 1987, Don was part of an ownership that owned ABC Drug. In

1987, he sold his interest and worked at area stores until his retirement in 2006.

Don was a member of the Masonic Lodge, Nebraska Pharmacist Association, Kearney Area Barbershop Chorus, Good Ole Boys Quartet, Tehama Shrine for 50 years and several other community organizations.

Left to cherish his memory are his children, Patricia Gray of Denver, CO, Dorothy (Gene) Synovec of Western, Danny (Connie) Ostendorf of Gibbon, Rebecca (Mark) Wright of Grand Island; numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great great grandchildren; as well as many nieces, nephews and extended family and friends.

Don was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Ruth Ostendorf; and one granddaughter.

# Cemetery Details

## Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I  
Kearney, NE 68847  
(308) 233-3244

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 12. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



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“ *Don will be missed by so many. He was one of the most intelligent men I've ever had the pleasure of meeting, and I will forever cherish our talks and laughs.* ”



**Emily Ripp, CSW** - May 08, 2023 at 07:16 PM